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The War in

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Fighting Renewed

Gen. Methuen's Forces and the Boers Again Engaged at Modder River.

Cronje's Account of Monday's Battle-Burghers Losses One Hundred.

Fight Near Orange River-British Casualties Four Killed and Eight Wounded.

New York, Dec. 15 .- A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

"Croakers and pessimists have had the field ever since it was known that General Methuen had retired from his advanced position after waiting over night in the hope that the Boers would evacuate their rifle trenches and allow him to convert a drawn battle into a victory. "There was a feeble rally of credulous optimists for a few hours, while a stock exchange rumor was current that Ladysmith had been relieved and ten thousand prisoners had been taken by Buller.

Depression and Gloom steadily deepened as the full extent of 14th says: Gen. Methuen's losses were revealed and the cold, hard truth was discerned that the Highland Brigade had been entrapped like Gatacre's force while seeking to surprise the enemy, and slaughtered without having a soldier's chance of winning a victory

"From every London and provincial journal came a loud outery for more troops, another division at once, and fresh army corps behind it, and if necessary, every man to the front in order to retrieve national disaster and

Restore British Prestige throughout the empire. One panic stricken journal warned the ministers that they were likely to be confronted with a widespread agitation like that which arose during the Crimean war.' Military writers lost their self possession and advised the abandonment of Kimberley to its fate, the withdrawal of Methuen's could go to the rescue of Gatacre, and Kimberley, December 10th, saying: defensive tactics in general until a second and even a third army corps could be sent to South Africa.

"They failed to print the true moral of troops are not wanted so much as gen- and drew 500 Boers and three guns. erals capable of directing them cautiously and effectively against a wary and ingenious foe."

The situation is

Not in Reality so Desperate as either leading writers or amateur strategists imagine. Lord Methuen's army has not been crushed nor ought there to be serious difficulty in protecting its line of communication which is protected by not less than ten thousand

"The chief danger is that Kimberley may be overwhelmed by the victorious Dutch force and Methuen's army left in the air without an objective or a move. But the Boer commanders have been slow to follow up opportunities hitherto, and Seem Incapable

of conducting offensive warfare.

Gen. Gatacre's reverse, may increase di- to have been started with the object of loyalty and foment civil war in Cape Colony, but so long as Mr. Hofmeyer and Premier Schreiner remain in office, these effects will be minimized."

Another Fight in Progress at Modder River --Boer Accounts of the Battle on Monday.

Pretoria, Dec. 12.-The following official announcement has been made:

"Gen. Cronje reports that resterday there was desultory fighting till six, when the heavy cannon fire was resumed. "The Scandinavians stormed a difficult position, but it became untenable, and

"I was unable to send he'p. "The British were in overwhelming fixed early next month.

they suffered severely.

force, but must have had at least 2,000 men put out of action, other killed or

Another official report from Capt.

"There were no sign of surrender, the burghers fighting with conspicuous bravery and maintaining their positions under heavy British fire.

"Our camon were of very little use. "The British were greatly assisted by

"Twenty-four ambulances were working backward and forward between the fighting line and the enemy's camp.

"Our loss is not definitely known. I ate it at 100 killed and wounded." A telegraph operator at Modder River writes: "Gun and Maxim fire has been

proceeding since 5.30 this morning." It is not known whether the operator refers to the fighting on Monday or to renewed fighting on Tuesday.

Another Fight. London, Dec. 15.-A special dispatch from Modder River says the firing resumption of fighting between General Mothuen's forces and the Boers,

ENGAGED NEAR ORANGE RIVER.

Our Losses Were 1 Officer and 3 Men Killed-Lieutenant and 7 Men Wounded

London, Dec. 15 .- A war office dispatch, dated Orange River, Thursday,

"Yesterday part of the mounted infantry, with the Yorkshire and Lancashire guides, reconnoitred ten miles east of the Orange River, where a sharp engagement with enemy ensued. "Capt. Bradshaw and 3 men were

killed, and Lieut, Gregson and 7 men wounded The enemy lost 5 killed and several

Repulsed at Mafeking.

Pretoria. Dec. 15.-It is officially announced that Molopo, west of Mafeking, was bombarded on December 10th. ers. Sharp fighting occurred.

The Boers attacked the British post at Mafeking during the night of Decem

After severe fighting the Boers were repulsed to Suyman's Fort.

Fighting Near Kimberley. London, Dec. 15.-The war office has force to the Orange River where it a disputch from Col. Kekewich, dated

"The Boers have re-attacked Kuruman and have again been repulsed by loyalists and Bechuanas.

"The Kimberley forces made a demonthis week's disasters, which is that fresa stration northward on December 9th.

"Fighting ensued for several hours. "The British casualties were one man killed and seven wounded." ---

IN NATAL.

British Shelled the Boer Positions Near Colenso, on Wednesday, but There Was No Reply.

Frere Camp, Dec. 13.-(Noon.)-The British bombarded the positions around Colenso to-day, but the Boers did not

Rumor Again Current.

London. Dec. 15.-There was a renewal this morning on the stock exchange of the persistent rumors of the relief of Ladysmith, but the war office and all other officials utterly discredit mile "Gen. Methuen's repulse coming after the report, which is generally believed killed and wounded. unloading Kaffirs shares.

Stock Exchange Story. New York, Dec. 15.-London advices Ladysmith was gotten up by a clique who were trying to stop a slump in

South African shares.

Will Powers Intervene?

London, Dec. 15.-The necessity of England guarding against the machinations of Continental powers is the theme of the Post's military expert in to-day's issue. He says in part: "The British cause has no friends in Europe; that is made plain by our recent set back, and though foreign intervention is not expected, suppose it should come?"

A Day of Prayer. York, Dec. 15.-London dispatches affirm that Queen Victoria has South Africa, that she has requested as follows:

· In Touch With the Garrison. been so deeply affected by events in eral manager, telegraphed to Lord Minto "Could not get you on telephone. Corthat a day of prayer and humiliation be

ing war office confirmed report of Lady-smith relieved. Buller only in touch,

from Col. Otter.

Boer Losses at the Battle of Mag ersfontein Estimated Liners. at 700.

Naval Guns Wrought Enormous Destruction- Gen Wauchope's Body Found.

London, Dec. 15.-The Standard correspondent at Modder River describing fight at Magersfontein, says: "Six miles had to be covered before the Highland brigade could reach the Boers' stronghold.

"It is not yet clear through what mischance the force, which was led by guides, came upon the Boer trenches unexpectedly and so suddenly. Beyond question, the Boers were aware of the approach of the British and had prepared to receive them.

"According to one version two Highchders through nervousness discharged helr rifles prematurely, but it is equal-'y positive that the advance Boer scouts inveyed the intelligence. "Our men were totally unprepared.

They had not even fixed bayonets. "The disaster was all the more exasperating because of the consciousness that had the brigades been extended and with bayonets fixed the trenches might have been successfully rushed with far ss loss of life."

The Daily Chronicle's Modder River dispatch, which is at variance with all other reports, represents Lord Methuen's forces as retiring on Tuesday on the camp at Modder River, as the result of renewed artillery fire that day. The corespondent says:

"On Tuesday forenoon the Boers rought heavy guns into action. Lord Methuen thereupon withdrew his forces out of range and concentrated at Modder River.'

Picket Cut Up. Modder River, Dec. 12.-Tuesday.-While the Guards were advancing on the plain which the Boers were shelling from an adjoining ridge, they encounter ed and cut up a strong Boer picket post ed on a hill for purposes of observation. All the members of the picket were either killed, wounded or taken prison-

Boer Losses. Modder River, Dec. 13.-Ambulances started early yesterday morning under, a flag of truce to collect the wounded and bury the dead who fell at Magers-

and thigh. A few wonteded were found near the trenches.

and the immediate neighborhood of the forget the sight, and I haven't slept a Boer trenches showed dead bodies all

pondent of the Associated Press that they had grown longer with their loss was terrible. The whole Scandinavian contingent was destroyed. Judging from information gleaned from the Boer wounded and prisoners taken in different parts of the field, the Boer oss' must have exceeded 700.

The destruction wrought by the naval guns was enormous. Word was passed along the Boer lines to prepare to retreat at night-fall

All confess that it was their greatest oss during the war. The British troops returned to Modder River, owing to lack of water near the

position held yesterday. FIGHTING IN CAPE COLONY. General French Engages Boers Near Naauwpoort, Killing and Wound-

ing 40. London, Dec. 15.-Gen. Forestier-Walker, telegraphing to the war office

from Capetown, says: "Gen. French wires under date of December 13th reporting a skirmish at four o'clock in the morning with 1,800 Boers, who were advancing southward

toward Naauwpoort, "The skirmish continued all morning, the Boers fighting on a front of eighteen The enemy retired with a loss of forty "Our casualties were one killed and

two missing." NATAL SITUATION.

says pesterday's report concerning Reported Fighting Near Colenso-Another Sortie by White from Lady-Frere Camp, Wednesday, Dec. 13.-

Firing can be heard this morning in the direction of Colenso, and an artillery duel is expected to-day. London, Dec. 14.—A special dispatch received here from Weenan, Natal, dated Monday, December 11th, says that the Ladysmith garrison has made a sortie and destroyed the Modder-Spruit

Ottawa, Dec. 14.-A dispatch from Montreal reported that the Bank of Montreal had received a cable from London that Ladysmith had been relieved. To-night, however, Mr. Clouston, gen-

Still think something in rumor of re-South Africa Up to midnight to-night Gen, Hutton had not received any communication

> SPEEDY TRANSPORTS NEEDED. London Papers Urge the Government to Employ Cunarders and White Star

ndon, Dec. 15.—The newspapers are calling upon the government to employ rders as well as the White Star stemmers as transports, seeing the urgent scenarios as transports, seeing the urgent necessity for getting more men to the Cape as speedily as possible. Forty thousand men could still be sent from England without calling upon the militia for foreign service. The militia effective is 100,000 men and from this body 20,-000 carefully selected men could be spared easily for South Africa, More over, the colonies are again proffering assistance. The greatest need, therefore, is speedy transports.

Another Siege Train. Orders have been issued at Woolwich to prepare a siege train to go out with

More Men Required. Lord Charles Beresford, speaking at a Inionist meeting in Hackney, London, said that he long ago told the secretary of state for war Lord Landowne that the government was not sending enough

troops to the Transvaa!. I have never thought that were sending out enough When once it was known that he had to send an army corps I told Lord Lesdowne, as far back as November 2nd, that he would not be sending enough. This war is one of the biggest on which we ever embarked owing to the surrounding political circumstances. and if necessary every mother's son must go to the front. British pluck and had, however, money will win, and then with equa! for all the British flag will fly

over the whole of South Africa." Duke of Devonshire's Speech. The Duke of Devonshire, lord presi dent of the council of ministers, speaking in the city, congratulated the country upon the calm it was displaying durserious crisis and upon the fact that despite the diversity of political opinion there was only one voice regarding the duty of the government to prose-

cute the war,
"The longer and more arduous the struggle becomes," said his Grace, "the more fixed should be our determination never again to let our African colonies bear the suffering and loss which they

AFTER GLENCOE.

Scenes on the Battlefield-Boers Found Dead in the Trenches.

Durban, Oct. 24.- Heinrich Auer, a German, who had been forced to leave. The fire, however, was too severe, and Johannesburg because, as husband of only two were saved by Capt, Schofield Brigadier-General Wauchope, who led an English woman, he was suspected of and some drivers, whose names I will the Highland brigade, was found dead near the trench and shot in the chest says:

I judge there were about a thousand dead and wounded on the battlefield of Several wounded Boers were taken to Glencoe when we passed it on October the British hospital. The side of the bill 21st, in the afternoon. I shall never second since then. Picture to yourself heaps of bodies, some stretched out be-One wounded Boer informed a corres- youd their own length, it seemed, as if

The Infinity of Torture. Others curled up as if, in dying, they had been searching for a friendly hand and in their anxiety had, perhaps, caught

hold of their own limbs. "There were rows of Boers who died kneeling in the trenches in a natural position. Several bodies I found standing boldly upright, leaning against trees or other impediments that had prevented them from falling. They were all shot in the head and their faces were black lent. putrifaction

"Many of the horse carcasses were algrave rose the gurgling wailing of mded and expiring men, who groaned and sighed for help, or for death to come while the real saliva ran down the nouth and while their hands and nails clutched at the earth and grass. "Ah, that one might be a ministering ngel and dispatch some of these un-

happy ones by a beneficial dose of poison! I caught myself running away Howling and Blubbering from the side of a Boer, who was vainly trying to stuff back his protruding en- that the position of affairs in Natal was trails. There a brave rifleman had bitten off his tongue, while siezed by spasm. I saw turce or four men die denly rose, jumped high in the air and seven wounded, including one officer and fell back dead.

Boers lying on cots throwing around their arms and murmuring: 'What's the ise, let's retreat and back at them." "Here was a whole row of dead sharp hooters, disposed in excellent order, with their officer in the centre, evidently struck by a volley as they themselves

were obeying a command to shoot. "An overturned battery there, the pieces of ordnance buried in the sand, parts of human and horses' bodies in sool of blood, Many of the dead had heir faces turned in the direction of the sinking sun. Their spirits were sinking at the same time, I reckon."

NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 15 .- Sir Charles Tupper left by the Charmer for the capital this afternoon. He was accompanied to Conservatives.

The trial of W. W. Petrie for keeping black jack rooms at the Savoy is again respondent wires mistake made in say- postponed, for lack of a judge to hear it | The Times says: "Since the days of world's greatest blood and nerve builder.

Eleven Guns **Abandoned**

General Buller Reports a Serious Reverse at the Tugela

Boers Opened Fire on Artillery Killing Thirteen Out of Eighteen Horses.

British Force Returned to Their Camp at Chieveley-Heavy Losses.

London, Dec. 16.-Lord Lansdowne has received the following dispatch from General Buller:

Chieveley Camp, Dec. 15.-(6:20 p.m.) -I regret to report a serious reverse. I moved in full strength from our camp near Chieveley at 4 this morning. There are two fordable places in the Tugela river, and it was my intention to force passage through one of them. They are about two miles apart. My intention was to force one or the other with one brigade, supported by a central brigade. Gen. Hart was to attack the left, Gen. Hildyard the right road and Gen. Lytleton to attack the centre and to support either Early in the day I saw that Gen. Hart would not be able to force a passage, and I directed him to withdraw. He

Attacked With Great Gallantry, and his leading battelion, the Connaught Rangers, I fear suffered a great deal.

Col. I. G. Brooke was seriously wound I then ordered Gen. Hildyard to advance, which he did, and his leading right, the East Surrey, occupied Colenso station and the houses near the bridge.
At that moment I heard that the whole artillery I had to support the attack, the 14th and 66th field batteries and six nayal 12-pounders, quick-firers, under Col. Long, had advanced close to the river, in Long's desire to be within effective range.

It proved to be full of the enemy, who suddenly opened a galling fire at close range, killing all their horses, and the gunners were compelled to stand to their Some of the wagon teams got shelter for the troops in a donag, and Desperate Efforts

were made to bring out the field guns. only two were saved by Capt, Schofield

Another gallant attempt with teams was made by an officer, whose name I will obtain. Of the 18 horses 13 were killed, and several drivers were wounded, I would not allow another attempt as it seemed that they would be a shell mark.

lant attempt to force the passage unsupported by artillery, I directed the troops to withdraw, which they did in good or Throughout the day a considerable force of the enemy was pressing on my

Not wishing to sacrifice life to a gal-

right flank, but Was Kept Back by mounted men under Lord Dundonald and part of Gen, Barton's brigade.

The day was immensely hot and trying to the troops, whose conduct was excel-We have abandoned 10 guns and lost by shell one.

The losses in Gen. Hart's brigade are. ready shapeless masses, gases having I fear, heavy, although the proportion of swelled them. And all over this living severely wounded is, I hope, not large. severely wounded is, I hope, not large. The 14th and 66th field batteries also uffered severe losses. We have retired to our camp at

Chieveley. London Depressed.

The depression over the defeat of Great Britain's trusted and idolized commander is all the greater as during the last 48 hours there have been reports of the relief of Ladysmith. Yesterday the war office allowed it to be understood entirely satisfactory. The reaction is all the more pronounced on this account. The gloomy information came too late within arm's length of me. One sud- to reach the Service clubs, and only a jew journalists and stragglers were waiting at the war office. It has hardly been "Outside of the hospital tents I found realized until now, even after the experience of the week, that Gen. Buller ould fail. Virtually nothing had been allowed to leak through regarding his preparations, but the public waited pa-tiently in the confident belief that he was taking such time and precautions as would ensure success.

Press Comments.

The Standard says: "Gen. Buller's dispatch is deplorable reading. It is the now familiar story of concealed Boers and of British troops marching up, blindly almost, to the very muzzles of the enemy's rifles. It cannot be doubted that the moral effect will be to aggravate our difficulties over the whole field of operations. The country has discovered with annoyance and surprise that Are usually the result of an exhausted the wharf by a number of prominent the Indian Mutiny. The commandants have shown themselves able to give our modern tacties."

the Indian Mutiny the nation has not been confronted with so painful and anxious a situation. Plainly, Gen. Buller's advance is paralyzed for the mo ment as completely as Lord Methuen's and Gen. Gatacre's."

Immediately on receiving the news the war office decided to mobilize still another division and to replace the losses of artillery. The necessary reinforcements will be hurried off as speedily a possible. Fifteen transports are due t arrive at Capetown between Decembe 17th and January 8th, with about 15,00 troops of all arms, but unless Gen. Bul ler is able to renew the attack, which is exceedingly doubtful, the British generals will be compelled for another fortnight or more to remain practically on the defensive.

Situation at Ladysmith.

The latest dispatches indicate the continued bombardment of Ladysmith, which position is now perilous.

Chermside's Command Major-General Sir Herbert Charles Chermside has been appointed to command the 14th brigade in the seventh division.

Will Give Information

Washington, Dec, 15 .- United States Consul Mr. Macrum has cabled the state department from Pretoria that the Cransvaal government has informed him that full reports will be given through the war office of the Republic of the hames and conditions of British prisoners when applied for by the British authorities. Mr. Macrum has secured the release of the British subject, Robert son, a civilian, who had been arrested by the Boers and confined at Pretoria on the charge of being a spy, on condition that he leave the country at once and remain out of it.

Story Denied.

Waterford, Ireland, Dec. 15.—The story printed in the Freeman's Journal to the effect that the reserves of the Royal Irish Regiment, while embarking on their way to South Africa at the port on Wednesday sang "God Save In land," cheered the Boers and Presider Kruger, and threw their rifles into th river, is absolutely unfounded. Nothing whatever occurred among th

which have been witnessed at all similar embarkations. DUTCH DISAFFECTION

men beyond the pathetic leave-taking

Disturbing Reports Have Been Received From Eastern Districts of Cape Colony

London, Dec. 15.-The Capetown correspondent of the Daily News says: "Lord Methuen's check, following Gen, Gatacre's repulse, has had a most depressing effect upon the Loyalists, who are by no means a growing body. They are filled with dark forebodings. Dutch disaffection is rapidly growing. A large section is restless and would need but little persuasion to join the Boers. ire disturbing reports from the eastern districts of Cape Colony where many secret meetings have been held. Imperial authorities are arming the loyal farmers in the Stutterheim and

Bedford districts." FAMINE IN INDIA. Over Two Million People Have Already Been Relieved.

(Associated Press Calcutta, Dec. 15.—The distress in the famine-stricken districts is becoming more acute. About 2,250,000 have applied for and received relief.

FIRE AT NANAIMO. (Special to the Times.) Nanaimo, Dec. 15 .- The house occupied by R. J. Weinforn was completely destroyed by fire to-day. Household effects valued at \$1,000 were totally destroyed. There was no insurance.

building was owned by the British Co-Iumbia Land Investment Co., Victoria; whose loss is \$1,200; insurance, \$850.

EVANGELIST MOODY ILL. (Associated Press.) West Northfield, Mass., Dec. 15 .-Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, has not been so well during the past few days, and complications have arisen which cause much anxiety.

CANADIAN ITEMS. ---

Coldwater, Dec. 16.-Wolves are reported as being very numerous in this vicinity Parry Sound, Dec. 16.-Grave fears are felt for the safety of the steamer Arthur Orr, one of the large Canada Atlan-

cago and this porta Tue vessel is now four days overdue. St. Catherines, Dec. 16.-William Ellis, ex-superintendent of the Welland canal, and a prominent citizen of this place, is dead. He was of U. E. L. descent, and was well known throughout

tic Railway liners, running between Uni-

the province. Montreal, Dec. 16.—Charles White a well known Grand Trunk engine driver. dropped dead while signing his name in the train book at Point St. Charles ves-

terday. La Journal, a new French Canadian Conservative organ, made its appearance this morning.

THE ILLS OF WOMEN

subduing Boer farmers is about the nervous system which can be fully restored hardest work we have entered upon since by the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Netvo Women made nervous and irritable by the wasting diseases which drain their generals useful but expensive lessons in system find new life, new vigor, new energy, in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, the

SHEELING BOERS AT MODDER RIVER

Demonstration by British Force Failed to Draw the Burghers From Their

No Word Has Been Received Regarding a Second Contingent Australta's Offer Accepted Casualties at Magerstontein Number Nine Hundred and Thirty-Sin. thether the to a proper of the paster of the state ship they make

Athemselves displayed even a more cager

place regulars in the garrison towns.

Commander-in-Chief.

Queen Victoria was greatly concerned

about the latest neverse. The com

matider in chief, Lord Wooseley, was at

Windsor Castle when the news arrived;

The Duke of Connaught, surrounded

by the ladies of the committee; present

ed the Queen's flag to Lady Randolph

Churchill for the hospital ship Maine

In the name of the Queen he thanked

the American men and women "her

and on the other side who had "so

nobly contributed to help the English

Brit'sh Demonstration at Modder River

Boers Strengthening their Positions

News From Maleking.

uple of hours. The Boers did not re

The Boers are further entrenching and

strengthening their old defences with the

evident intention of fiercely disputing

"A Sad and Terrible Slaughter."

"The Boers captured a great quantity

of loot, including 200 Lee-Metfords.

cases of cartridges and hundreds of bay-

"Great numbers of British have re-

"The wounded are being attended to

temporarily at Bisset's Farm. The Sap-

pers and Miners must have suffered se-

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London, Dec. 16.-The revised list of

British easualties at the battle of Mag-

erstontein shows the total to be 963, of

killed, 182 wounded and 111 are miss-

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(Associated Press.) London, Det 16 The desperate state desire to reach the deputions from AL British arms in South Africa, as rebaled by the defeat of General Buller There was fittle extrement at the war The law while adding to the deter office, but orders were being assued in dination, to send every available man will directions for the mobilization of reb the trant, caused something in the serves and inflitta. The fatter will remature of a panic among the public, Some of the comments go so far as to say that Great Britain stands "where she shood over a century back when American colonists, men of British and

Ditton blood, were in arms." Comments, The Erening Standard declares the sizuation calls for all the equanimity, detenhanation and perseverance of the

The Star utges the "commandering" of the great English Adantic liners for the transportation of reinforcements, adding. "The guilt of the government is superseded by the danger of the empire. We are whinking of an hostile Europe; we the thinking of India, and whatever happens we implore the government not to more another man from Calcutta or Bombay. We remember the mutiny." i The St! James Gazette, is also apprelamsive of foreign complications.

The Globe, after facing the situation and urging the immediate dispatch of reinfercements and the use of mintia, continhes! And we can turn with equal confdence to the strong arms and loyal fellow subjects in Canada and Australia. Those offers which vere so liberally made and which were ot so generously received at the begining of the war williams are confident, be renewed as the urgency of the contest reveals itse'f. They can see keenly as rselves that not only our supremacy in Africa, but the maintenance empire is at stake."

The Pall Mall Gazette, in its review of the situation, says: "It is no use crying over spilt milk. Surprises of all sorts must be expected in war. Our position for the advance is intact. Nothing has occurred to shake our belief in Gen. Buller. Let us steadily trust him and furnish him as rapidly as possible with more guns and more horses and men."

War Office to be Reorganized. The brave show kept up by the majority of organs voicing public opinion is powerless to allay the bitter grief and verely. disappointment that pervades the length and breadth of the land, and the pentup criticism of the military authorities is finding vent in quarters heretofore studiously avoided as being premature strictures on the war office or generals in the field, but it is now clear that unhas some striking change for the betber marks the course of British arms there bids fair to break over the head of the government a stream of indigna tion unknown since the Crimea.

The Associated Press gleans that the airthorities have already decided that a reorganization of the war office is absolutely necessary, and that it must take place at an early day. galavah Prinise for Canadians and April

The St. James Gazette this week says: The Canadian contingent, show that their long Thome training and colonial campaigning experience have not been lost on them.

Tann of Trill Canadian Commander General Montgomery Moore; appointed to succeed General Kelly Kenny h charge of mobilization at Aldershot, was formerly in command in Canada.

Reeling in London,

As the day proceeded the morning's strack of hervousness disappeared and he only permanent effect of the serious www. www. to cause a tighter clinching of fists and a more set determination to cohiere the task the country has undertaken, are

ud .histeeping Departing Troops. Departing troops were more vehement. by observed than usual, and the troops and some siege guns.

Baden-Powell's Advicel Pretoria, Dec. 13.-Advices from Mafeking say an attack on a small British fort has been made with good reults. The fort was demolished. Heavy cannon firing is proceeding.

Col. Baden-Powell has sent the Boers notice advising them to lay down their arms and return to their homes. He promised them that protection would be given them as soon as Great Britain should have taken over the Transvaal.

SCENE IN LONDON CLUBS. How the Newsl of Buller's Reverse at Tugela River Was Received.

And In Control of the Control New York, Dec. 16.-A London enble o the World gives a graphic account of consternation created at the clubs and among those who kept hate hours when Buller's repulse was bulletined at midright. The ticker service broke down when about 100 words had been transmitted, and club men immediately rdered cabs and rushed to the war office, where the report was posted.

There was no clamor, but finen, with aths in their mouths, declared that the news, meant the calling out of all the militia, and that the volunteers? mus be summoned for duty. Nearly every man who looked over the report on the war office bulletin board went away dis-

Clarke M. Powers, the Transvaul re Boer victory, but we must be calm. Let

In the Liberal club friends of the Boers said: "Just the same old trap The British have not fought a white man unaided in this century. The Boers will win their independence. Isn't this a basis for foreign intervention? What more do they want? It's like the Amerian revolution Chamberlain and the stockbrokers brought on this war, and they are getting enough of it.

Panie on Stock Exchange London, Dec. 16 .- News of the defeat of Gen, Buller at Tugela River caused a momentary panie in the stock exchange." Immediately after the open-

ng, jobbers started realizing. Prices pened from 1 to 6 points below the clos ng prices of vesterday, consols being down 14. Rand mines were heavily affected starting at 33, as against yes terday evening's closing price of 38%; De Beens opened at 231, as against 27; Chartereds at 3, as against 1 31. and Goldfields at 5%, as against 7 5-16. Americans were very flat and were free ly offered by local and continental hold-Pretoria, Dec. 13.-An official dispatch ers at prices which they found difficulty in obtaining. Foreigners moved in syr pathy with the other securities. Parisian stocks, however, held their own compar

> After the first rush the market steadied somewhat.

The market view of the situation are of most serious character, both politically and monetary, the latter mainly because a fresh defeat of the British troops, will delay longer the supply of South African gold.

Two unimportant failures were an nounced early in the day. Cabinet Conneil.

London, Dec. 16 .- A hastily summoned meeting of the cabinet was held at the foreign office this afternoon for the purpose of dealing with the warlerisis.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, was not present

Proposed New Radical Paper. Since the anti-war editors were moved from the Chronicle mand Echo, no paper has opposed the government's policy out and out, and a movement 18 on foot in London to start a new Radical daily.

CANADIANS ARE READY. - O - 'RI Offer of a Second Contingent Is In the

Hands of the Imperial Authorities. ----- ·n (Special to the Times.) Offawa, Dec. 16.—There was a stir Tragic Scene in Texhs Court Room-Boers Forced to Evacuate Fortifications in the city to-day when it was bulletined that the Imperial government had se-

comment for a second bontingent 300 Capetown, Dec, 16.2 Advices from Major Hirdman, Capt. Arnold and Buluwaye say that a dispatch from Lieut, Morrison waited on Gen, Hutton Mafeking, dated December 6th, and renewed the offer to send to the nounced that the scheme of advancing Transvaal the Ortawa Field Battery. the military works was acting well; and The General said that he would lay the had forced the Boers to evacuate the matter before the government,

strong commanding fortifications north- Sir Wilfrid Laurier was sent for by the Governor-General this forenoon, and It was added that the British contin- it is understood that the subject discussued pushing back the Boers, and were ed was the sending of a second continthen working toward their main slege gent.

batteries. British casualties were triff- Canada's offer for a second contingen is now in the hands of the Imperial an-The Boer force was then reduced to thorities and all that is necessary is no- February.

A expinet council was called for 2:30, when the matter will be fully discussed.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated to your corespondent when the Premier was going to the cabinet meeting that the government had received no information of any kind about the second contingent. DUTCH DISAFFECTION

Morriso Como Date Soil Sir A., Milner Suggests the Declaration of Martial Law in Cape Colony. 2 of meliting

New York, Dec. 16.-Lord Salisbury is said to have received a request from Sir Afred Milner British high commis sioner in South Arrica, that martial law be declared in Come Colony, cables London correspondent to the World. Lord Salisbury does not wish to grant this request, however, as he believes it would be a confession of weakness. Sir Alfred reports that Dutch disaffection has reached a point where ordinary law is useless to stem it.

Second Contingent of Troops Wil Sent From New South Wales.

London, Dec. 16. The Imperial authorities have telegraphed the governoffer of a fu ther Australian confingent for South Africa." Mounted Men Wanted.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 16. The Imparial authorities have telegranded the governor of New South Wales accepting presidentive, said: "It appears to be a the offer of a further contingent for South Africa, and suggesting that men should be mounted and good shots.

Demonstrations Against Chamberlain New York, Dec. 16.-On account of the somewhat violent tone taken by the leaders of the Irish people against the administration in London just now, the reception which Hon. Jos. Chamberlain will receive when he reaches Dublin today or to-morrow to take the honorary degree of L. L. D. at Trinity College, will be noted with interest.

The Irish Transvaal committee has issued a proclamation calling an indigna tion meeting of the citizens of Dublin to disassociate themselves from the act of Trinity College, which proposes to honor Mr. Chamberlain, "the author of the robber war." The Irish Socialist Republican party

pas issued placards for a monster de-monstration outside Trinity College on Monday to celebrate Gatacre's defeat at Stormberg. hour when Mr. Chamberlain will be re-

Short of Ships, 10044. New York, Dec. 16 .- Twesty-five thouand cases of canned meats for the British army in South Africa are held here for lack of vessels to carry them to their destinations. The shortage of vessels is due to the British government using the ships to transport troops.

ving his degree inside the university.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, has introduced and searched the ridges, the naval guns in the House a joint resolution declar- doing the same, ing a state of war exists in South Africa and according belligerent rights to the Transvarl government.

Churchill Again a Prisoner. Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 16.—It is ru-nored that Winston Churchill, the news- ing al! 10 fall. But when the smoke mored that Winston Churchill, the newspaper correspondent who recently escan-Waterfallboven, about half way between Pretoria and Portuguese territory.

DANGERS TO THE EMPIRE. The London Times on the Situation-"Fighting for Out Position as a Great Power."

London, Dec. 18.—The Times comenting on the situation says: "Neither the Crimean war, nor the Indian mutiny gave rise to greater dangers to the Empire than that with which ve are now menaced, nor at either of those critical periods was Great Britain so isolated politically or regarded with such dislike and suspicion as are now almost everywhere apparent.

Unless the calmness which impresses the foreign observer proceeds only from apathy or a want of sufficient imagination to realize the imminent danger to the whole fabric of our Empire great efforts now preparly required will surely be made before it is too late to retrieve the situation

"We are fighting not merely for supremacy in South Africa; but for our position as a great power. We know we have miscalculated the strength of our foe and we are resolved to make that miscalculation good."

> A DOCTOR SHOT Alleged Murderer Wounded. (Associated Press.)

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 18.—The trial of Dr. S. M. Jenkins, charged with murder, came to a sudden and tragic end to-day. Wheat, the 28-year-old brother of Mary Wheat, the doctor's aleged victim, shot and mortally wounded ie defendant in a crowded court room. When Wheat fired he dropped the pistol and ran towards the door. John Halligan, brother-in-law of Jenkins, grabbed it up and fired at Wheat, missing him. Wheat and Halligan were arrested.

MONTREAL MAYORALTY. (Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 18.-The Irish Roman Jatholics have selected Mr. Wm. Mc-Ner'v, drain-pipe merchant, to oppose Maror Prefentaine, who is seeking a swond term at the civic elections

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"Bobs" Will Leave England Immediately as Commanderin-Chief.

Buller's Losses at Tugela River Number One Thousand and Ninety-Seven

Particulars of Fighting at Magersfontein-French Advancing Towards Colesburg.

off of rooting trobes new of 1881 to new to London, Dec. 116. General Bullette reports bastha lawler afficies that into the fight at the Tugela River he lost 1.007 men in killed, unded and missing. His report gives \$2 killed, 667 wounded and 348 missing. The war office late to-night issued the feld Artillery—Capt. A. H. Goldie nd Lieut. C. B. Scrieber.

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Field Antillery, five; Devonshires, three; Sussex, one; Royal Scots Fusiliers, six; Artillery, three. Lord Roberts's Son Dead London, Dec. 16 .- In addition to the

Throneycroft's Mounted Infantry, and Lieut, the Hon, F. H. S. Roberts, son of Lord Roberts of Candahar and Watch. Waterford, were among the officers The Boer army is made up almost wounded at Tugela. Roberts has died

IN THE WEST.

Methuen Preparing to Advance Against the Boers-The Fighting at Magerfontein.

Modder River Dec. 15 .- The Ninth Brigade under Col. Pole Carew of the Grenadier Guards and a squadron of the 12th made a reconnaissance this morning, supported by the 75th battery how- They said that if the Highland brigad tizers in the centre and right with four had massed and stormed the trenc naval guns on the left. A 4.7 naval gun after the first surprise, the British brigade deployed across thes plain and the howitzers shelled the Boer trenches

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> All the troops returned to camp. There Gen. Methuen directed the operation rseback. His wound is almost He intends to conduct operations rom here to the northward,



tion of the stomach and digestive and nutritive system are most disastrous to the whole body. One by one every organ may become involved. The misery is maddening. The most extreme cases of "stomach trouble" and the evils restulting from it have been cured by Dr. Piercets Golden Medical Discovery. It retrangthess the stomach purifies the blace and builds up the body with sound beattry flesh. healthy flesh. - a streety-serv

"I was taken with severe breadache," writes Thomas A. Swarts, Box 102, Sub-Station C. Columbus, Ohio, then crampa in the stomach, and my food would not digest, then kidney and liver trouble, and my back got weak so I could scartefly get around. I just gave money to the doctors whenever. I thought they would do me any good, but the more I doctored the worse I got suffil six years passed. I had become so poorly I could only walk in the house by the aid of chair, and I got so thin I had given uf to die, thinking that I could not be cured. Then I saw one of my neighbor boys and he said, "Take my savice and take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and make a new man out of yourself." The first bottle helped me so I thought I would get another, said siter I had taken eight bottle in about six weeks I was weighed and found I had gained twenty-seven (27) pounds. I have done more hard work in the past eleven months than I did in two years before, and I am as stout and seatthy to-day, I think, as I ever was."

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From Mafeking. London, Dec. 17 .- An undered dispatch

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W Burying the Dead. Modder River, Dec. 15.-Mutus angements were made by the Bri and Boer communders by while British were to be buried on Wedn

day and Thursday. The Boers stipulated, however ally a clergyman of the Reformed church should officiates and that the Britis should not come within 600 tyards their lines. Mr. Robertson, the Presh terian chaplain of one of the Highlan egiments, was selected to conduct th urial of the slain at Magersfontein, The Engineers who acted as litter bear were blindrolded when they reached the Boer outposts. The Boer commande Officer Draper and Field Cornet Willia to assist Mr. Robertson in locating the dead, and afterwards Colonial Doctor Grogan joined them, and found he knew

many of the dead Chaplain Robertson buried 32 on Wed sday and 70 on Thursday. The Boen eclared that their casualties at Magers ontein were 262, and that they had on-63 killed. This must be a mistake as the British buried 45. Several of the Boers had been killed

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The Free State troops were at the base of the hill and the Transvaa troops along the right of the trend The scene opposite the Transyaal troop in the direction of the hospital was pit Many burghers could be see helping wounded comrades into wago and then driving off. The Boers are almost invisible from Modder River.

Parties who were out looking for t wounded on Tuesday morning saw th Boers burying their dead in a trench around the base of the hill, when the first firing took place. Forestier-Walker's Dispatch

London, Dec. 18. The war office h eceived the following dispatch from beneral Forestier-Walker, at Capetow ated December 17: Methuen reports that Lieut. Chand ole, was taken prisoner last Thursd thile, going to meet a flag of truce. vas waving his handkerchief in respo

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Appointed Commander in Chief in S Africa-Lord Kitchener, Chief o

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Africa without delay. 'Nine battalions of militia, in additions to the two battalions which have already volunteered for service at Malta and one for service in the Channel Islands, will be allowed to volunteer for and an equivalent number of militia battalions will be embodied for service at

"A strong force of volunteers selected

"The patriotic offers being received offers of mounted contingents."

DUBLIN DEMONSTRATIONS Irish Members of Parliament Confern the War and Chamberlain.

Dublin, Dec. 17.-There were exciting scenes in Dublin to day when it was intended to hold a pro-Boer meeting as protest against the proposal of Trin-College to confer a degree upon Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

A large force of police was called out and the troops were beld in readiness. Maud Gonne, the so-called "Irish Joan of Arc," and Mr. James Connelly, the Irish republican, drove in a wagonette to the place appointed for the meeting, which was attended by a large crowd. Mr. Connelly tried to speak but was prevented by the police. The wagonette then made a tour of the streets, the crowd rapidly increasing.

Cheering for the Boers and singing "God Save Ireland," and "We'll hang Joe Chamberlain on a sour apple tree," and using disgusting expressions against the Queen, the Empire and the army.
While passing Dublin Castle, the oc-

cupants of the wagonette waved the Transvaul flag defiantly, whereupon the police stopped the vehicle and seized the fing. The wagonette attended by a large body of police, who offen cleared the street, then drove to the room of the Irish Transvaal committee, where Michael Davitt, Wm. Redmond and J. O'Brien were waiting. A meeting of about sixty persons was held, Messrs. Davitt, Redmond and O'Brien speaking in violent condemnation of the war and of Chamberlain, and declaring that the latter's visit to Ireland at such a moment was proof of his callous nature. The speakers urged that should an opportunity occur, Dublinites ought to show their detectation of the colonial secretary in

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Ladysmith had fallen. Mand Goine and Mr. Connelly drove off with the intention of holding an openair meeting but the police arrested Co-

Mr. Asquith's Speech. Newcastle, Dec. 16.-Hon, H. H. Asquith, addressing the Tyneside Liberal

Association this evening, said: "Nothing is more unjust than to try to undermine the confidence of the country in the army and a gallant general on the strength of a single error of judgment maeux, charged with issuing a false or a single reverse. The situation confronting us after reading to-day's painful news is so serious that it is hardly possible to speak of any other topic. We

"At the same time let us not underestimate the gravity of the task before us. The war has developed proportions which may make it the turning point in Limbeur's friends, who claims he never the fortunes of the Empire. It has be had the deposit book in which the come wider and deeper than the question amounts were supported to be entered of maintaining our position as a world it is anderstood a micux will lead power that is now on trial, and if we fail guilty.

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will readily sanction. "The nation confidently expects the government to do what is necessary. It is our duty as a nation to be united and calm, and to concentrate all our sources, material and moral, upon a task Toronto, Dec 16 Mr. Dinguid Morwhich we cannot by down or have in fig. inspected by find Contains Bank, is complete without dealing a blow alike at the leaves five soils, one of whom the honor and safety of our Empire.'

Modder River. The Modder or Mud River is a stream of no particular importance, about 30 feet across under ordinary circumstances. In flood time, after a storm, it is double that width, and rushes along at a great rate, and its yellow-brown waters hence the name) look like a small torrent. However, the flood subsides almost as quickly as it comes down.

The river is fringed on either side by tunted willows and low bushes, thick and impenetrable in parts. The banks

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The war office to-day issued the following announcement: "Acting upon the advice of the military authorities, Her The river itself, with its wooded banks, would give any amount of cover; but

alled out. The seventh division, which railway line, s being mobilized, will proceed to South railway line.

Colonel Carew's Career.

Colonel Reginald Pole-Carew, who commanded the reconnoitering force at Modder River on Friday, has had a brilliant military career.

Colonel Pole-Carew, of Antony, in service outside of the United Kingdom, Cornwall, comes of a very old and distinguished branch of the ancient family of Carew, of Carew Castle, and was born in 1849. At the age of twenty he entered the Coldstream Guards, becoming for the Yeomanry will be formed for lieutenant-colonel in 1895. From 1879 "Arrangements are being made and as A.D.C. to Lord Roberts, and was will shortly be announced for the empresent ab the barrence on Kabal, as well ployment in South Africa of a strong as taking part in the world-famed march contingent of carefully selected Volumto Kandahar, being mentioned several times in dispatches. In the Egyptian war of 1882 he was orderly officer to the from the colonies will as far as possible Duke of Connaught, and was present at be accepted, preference being given to the engagement of Tel-el-Mahuta and Tel-ol-Kebir. In 1886-87, with the Bur mese expedition, he was mentioned in lispatches, and made a C.B. When appointments cannot be regarded as any-Brigade General Featherstonhaugh was wounded at Belmont Colonel Pole Carew succeeded to the command of the 9th A semi-official communication

> Notes. The Montreal Star's London cable says: "Two days ago your correspondent was officially informed that the Oansays: adian contingent was with the Gordon Highlanders. Cablegrams show that the Gordon Highlanders suffered severely in the Methuen reverse at Magersfontein, but the casualties hists published show no Canadians. The presumption is that the Canadians were not among vanced against the Boers' position."

ill dt Volksrust, is improving a compa them £1 a month and feeding them. General Hector McDonald, of Soudan fame, has been ordered to leave India immediately to succeed the late General Wauchope in command of the Highland-

er brigade.
A London dispatch says "black week," as last week is universally called now, has evidently aroused the government and the war office to a full starse of ready current, and it is certain such a their responsibility and of the magnitude rising would be infinitely more serious of the task before them, and the papers unanimously applaud this realization. Rumor says that the question of expense lies: has really been at the bottom of half-hearted measures hitherte adopted, and it is not amlikely Sir Michael Hicks-

The tragic circumstance of the appointment of Lord Roberts almost simultancously with the announcement of the of antillery. deepest public sympathy. Lieut, Roberts was an only son, and had been his father's aide-de-camp since 1895. He served in Waziristan and in the Chitral and Nile expeditions. Such was his distance in South Africa, several control in the served in South Africa, several control in the served in South Africa, several control in the served in South Africa to aid the Boers 189 their fight for independence. tempt to rescue the knus that he was re-

lain deserves not a doctor's but an ex- from New York 5,000,000 rounds of amecutioner's degree."

amanition to England on Thesday last. before noon. Ultimately a resolution proposed by Dr. Hendrick Miller, envoy extraordinthrough Consul-General Charles D. and calling upon the powers, pasticularly Hay. Other orders of the British for public. The meeting closed between tre-mendous cheers evoked by a rumor that venting the shipment of these. Secretary venting the shipment of these. Secretary Hay refuses to interfere, stating that in the case of war bellicerents have fine right to purchase any kind of goods in neutral countries, subject to confiscation after shipment.

TRIAL OF LEMIEUX. Former President Weir of the Ville Marie Bank Gives Evidence To-Day.

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Dec. 18.-The trial of Lestatement to the government in connection with the defunct Vile Marie Bunk, was resumed this morning.

Werr, the president, who was sentence over \$53,000 in overdrawn accounts has best position. Surely it was the hand of ben discovered in the

SPOLE THE PARES. Variouser, Dec. 18.—As a late tram car was returning last night from Enged, carrying with them the fare box. nductor Frizzell is at a loss to know who did it.

BANKMINSPECTOR DEAD. and mentas form ad openings to the re- alive and heat Assessment Press be announced. is serving when the Devonshire Regiment under Thorneycroft's mounted intentry in South Africa.

PIRES. Topento, Dec. 18.—The residence of Capt. Charles Herring was destroyed by and B batteries, and a battalion of from fire last night while the family were at 300 to 500 rifles. church. The loss is about \$10,000, of which a considerable part consists of va nable hunting curs. Halifax. Dec. 18.—The Woodside Sugar Refining Co.'s premises were dem-nged to the extent of \$5,000 on Saturday night. On the second program of the control of

The country on either side is very flat, Theodore Parker.

Contingent

called out. The seventh division, which river, but at a greater distance from the Canada's Offer of More Men Accepted by the Imperial Authorities.

> DI A STATE WAS TO THE Mounted Police, Cavalry and a Field Battery Will Prob ably Be Sent.

Rumors Are Current That a Rising of Kaffirs is Imminent. x277 Comment of the September of the

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 18 .- In spite of the attempts to gloss over the supercession of Gen. Builer, the fact remains that new

A semi-official communication says: "The disposition to regard the change as should be mobilized to relieve the Book a reflection on Gen. Buller is entire'y erroneous. As forces in South Africa increase, officers of higher rank are appointed to supreme command."

The communication instances the successive steps from Generals Symons to White, then Buller, now Roberts, but in spite of the plausibility of the argument the force with Methnen when it ad it is not regarded as the whole truth. However this may be, there is no deny The condition of Gen Joubert, who is ing that the prodigious exertions, the The Transval government is employgovernment think necessary to crush the
ing matives to work the mines paying two Republics shows cearly that even Lord Sallsbury sees great gravity in the

Rumors of Kaffir Rising. It may be that the ministers see greater peril in the possible Kaffir uprising. Indeed, rumors in this direction are althan any rebellion of the Dutch Repub-

Advance Delayed. The Post's military expert says, Gen. Beach chancefor of the exchanger, and Bullen's failure though complete was other members of the cabinet will resign by no means final, An advance will probably be delayed until a fresh arrival

Volunteers or T There has been a notable tuch of volcommended for the Victoria Cross.

When the Union Metallic 'Cartridge'

About three hundred artillery volume

Fight Lasted Eight Hours. A brief independent account of whie Pierce, a protest with Secretary of State Colenso fight adds nothing to the official sure the independence of the Boer Re- ammunition are being filled by the account, except that the fighting instead sure the independence of the Boer Re- Bedgerort company, and Dr. Miller eight hours, and the British retirement unt, except that the fighting lasted was completed in good order.

Railway Culverts Destroyed, 200 A dispatch from Modder River, dated Saturday, Dec. 16th, says the Boers have blown up railroad culverts two miles morth of Methuen's camp.

Kimberley Safe. The Associated Press has been officially informed that the Queen is in excellent health, and that there is no danger of the surrender of Kimberley.

The Boers Surprised, New York, Dec. 18 .- The Journal and with speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic. We cannot afford to speak of any other topic afford to speak of the newting speak. At the Nettie L. about 100 tors affect to the instruction of the same afford to speak of the instruction of the same afford to speak of the newting speak. At the Nettie L. about 100 tors affect to the instruction of the same afford to speak of the instruction of the same afford to speak of the instruction of the same afford to speak of the instruction of the instruction of the afford to speak of the instruction of th to a shortage of \$173,000, which Le of the British advance was the arrival mieux is charg d with misappropriating, of their men within easy range of our of the British advance was, the arrival of God; yes, it was surely God's work.

THE SECOND CONTINGENT

Will Probably Include Mounted Police, Regular Cavalry, Artillery and Rifles-Cabinet Meetings To-Day.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The report that a econd contingent has been asked for is persistently circulated.

The fact that Fred White, comptroller of Mounted Police, was present in the ante-room at to-day's meeting of the cabinet looked as if the question of sending Mounted Police was under considera-

When the cabinet meeting was over to-day Premier Laurier said only routine business was up for consideration. I neets again this afternoon. The second contingent, if sent, will likely comprise 300 men from the Mount ed Police and regular cavalry, and A

Offer Accepted.

Later.-Lord Minto received a cable this forenoon accepting Canada's offer of a second contingent for service in South Africa. The contingent will be organized to go to the front at once.

Dr. Borden's Announcement. (Associated Press.) Ottawa. Dec. 18.-Hon. Dr. Borden, in his eighty-first year.

Minister of Militia appropried the attention that the Imperial was authorities above accepted in a standard or other too. send a second co.ti g at to couth Atrica, the number of which is to be feft to the heads of the Dominion gove nmen . The question or communical and composition of the contingent will be d'a t'will at a cab n t conceio mis afternion, and the announcement made to morrow,
The British War Office announcement

makes if plain that mounted infantry are The government may send detachments of mounted infantry, waval y and a field

batterys on the sent that the service is Kitchener Startsgan Priday Cairo, Dec. 18. General Lord Kitchener will arrive here on Friday and leave for Capetown as soon after as possible

Degree for Chamberlain, Species Dublin, Dec. 18.-At Trinky College this afternoon the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Mr. Joseph Chamberlain British Secretary of State for the Colonics.

American Volunteers.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 18.-The minister of militia is receiving applications from all over the Dominion and United States with offers to go to South Africa. On offer comes from one of the Western States to raise five hundred men,

Proposal to Relieve Halifax, Toronto, Dec. 18.-It is suggested bere that a company of Canadian ish garrison there, who could then go to South Africa.

Principal Grant on the War. Kingston, Dec. 18.—Addressing the students of Queen's University yesterday, Principal Grant declared that the Canadian parliament strend be called to gether immediately, so that the voice of the people on the crisis in South Africa could be heard. These reverses in Transvaal, he said, will make us more united

German Volunteers in Boer Army. New York, Dec. 18 Paris dispatches tell of the arrival there of M. Delong, manager of the dynamite factory at Medderfontein, Transvaal, who says the British government has no idea of the vast preparations the Boers made for

Cable Interrupted. New York, Dec. 18. The Commercial Cable Co. to-day issued the following notice: "We are advised that the cable between Mozambique and Lorenzo Marquez is interrupted. A terrific cyclone at Mozambique has caused interruption of the Delagoa Bay cable. Houses have een blown down and the ships in the harbor have been wrecked."

To Aid the Boers St. Louis, Dec. 18. At a meeting of the county board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the members decided to

Prembed Against the Transvaul. New York, Dec. 18.-Dr. Minot Menaco. When the Union Metallic Cartridge About three hundred artifler Savage, of the Church of the Messian, Mr. Redmond said: "Mr. Chamber Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., shipped teers offered their services at Edinburgh preached strong's restering in favor of England and against the Transwaal. England and against the Transvaal.

Preposed Reconstruction of Cabinet. New York, Dec. 18.—The London cor-respondent of the World says the gravity of the shtuation in England is such being discussed. It is even assented that should the war continue much longer without a decisive British suc cass, the formation of a mational coalition ministry is centain to result.

NOTES FROM SYDNEY.

(Special to the Times.)

Messas, W. T. Commson and W. N.
Copland, the license of muissioners for North Vigneria district; met at Sidney on Saturday and granted figeness to the fol-lowing: F. G. Norris, Sidney hotel; Alex. Wright, North Saanick hotel, and Warburton Pike, Point Comfort botel. They refused a license to Mr. Robinson, of the joined the Coriolanus at Sydney, and Mayne Island hotel. An appeal will be with nine others succumbed to yellow

At the last regular meeting of Sidney L. T. B. Lodge, No. 76, the following officers were elected for the ensuing Mrs. S. Brethour, Dis. Officer: Miss Evizabeth Brethour, Conductor. The following committee was appointed: S. Brethour, Judius Brethour, Mns. Julius Brethour, Mns. Julius Brethour, W. R. Armstrong, J. P., and Andrew Deacon.

Andrew Deacon. Mr. Patterson is calling for tenders for piles to build a new wharf on the southeast gale when she suddenly rocked site of the old ones. The spar to con to and fro and went down as though her neat the main line with the wharf is almost completed.

A WARNING. (Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 18.-An anonymous etter received by Dr. Bety, health offi- was the abandoned Libertad. cer at this port, warns him that among where bubonic plague is prevalent. The letter is from Naples.

Lumber ships are scarce, and rates for prompt loading are firm at annexed quotations: Sydney, 46s 3d to 47s 6d; Melcourse or Adejuste, 53s Od to 55s; Port Pirie, 51s 3d to 52s 6d; Fremantle, 65s 60 67s 6d; Geraldton, 67s 6d to 70s; West coast, 57s 6d to 60s; Pisagua range and Callao range; 56s 3d to 58s 9d; Buenos Aires 56s 3d to 57s 6d; Kinochow, 57s 6d to 58s 9dr, Japan, 52s 6d to 53s 9dr, Port Arthur, 62s 6d to 65s; Vladivostock, 52s 6d to 53s 9d; South Africa, 70s to 72s 6d; U. K., 80s to 82s 6d. These figures quoted.

He was general manager of the Grand Trunk railway for four years. He was

Reports Which Point to the Colusa Having Met Her Fate.

Off Long Beach-Was It Ber?

The belief is growing that the long overdue bark Colusa, which left Kahulai for this port 50 days ago, this teen lost that these who are inclined at this wiew Greenwood, Dec. 14.—Anales deal nes

base their belief, although none have any west fork of Kettle river. John Empey substantial evidence of the fate of the versel, in a letter received by the Queen City from Reeper W. P. Daykin from Alexander Wallace and associate at Caramanch, news is given of the for \$3,500. This claim overlapped the stranding of a bark, whose description stranding of a bark, whose description tallies closely with that of the missing traft, and of her subsequent escape from the rocks. Following this report comes one given to residents of the coast by Dodge's Cove indians of the foundering the same future period, Mr. Empey purchased the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the same and it will be a subsequent to the subsequen of a vessel similar in appearance to that be deeded to the company. reported ashore at Bonilla point, the si- Early last summer, when the West The inference drawn from these reports The inference drawn from these reports investing public, Brown secured a group by those who incline to the belief that of six promising claims, and paid, the the Colusa has been lost is that after she owners \$100,000 for the same. He form-

stranding of the bark as follows:
"I see by the papers that owing to the tugs Sea Lion and Holyoke and others not being able to see anathing of the ves-sel reported from here on November 18th as being ashore at Boulda, it is tooked upon as a false alarm. Therefore I send

the same rock that the Duchess of Arthur the Both army has 6,000 well trained German volunteers, who so far have been held in reserve.

Castle Interval as been constantly at work. The primary development consisting the same rock that the Duchess of Arthur the Same rock that the Same rock that the Duchess of Arthur the Same rock that the Same rock pose they are argin. It wis thick for with light, baffling winds, heavy rain and a heavy surf on the beach. When first seen she was lying over considerably. Her anchor was down, but her stern as she swung caught on the rock, but a big sea struck her and she swung chear and straightened up to her anchor with her head out to sea, but her stern well in the small bay at the Chusapiss waterfall, between and within a few yards of the wreeks of the Duchess of Argyie and Puritan. The boys being unable to and Puritan. The boys being unable to down 35 feet. On the Idaho claim, beto Kilde, about two miles east of Bonilla, where they could open the wire, and then tapped with the ends of the wire, calling me and said there was a were calling me and said there was a vessel on short at Bonilla. There being no Indians here, I telephoned to Cto-cose to my eldest son to come up at once and bring assistance, which he did. At 11 a.m. the fog cleared when I saw a bark dang rously near Bonilla. She was heading about west, but the wind hadded and she headed off shore. When the cable. It was a miracle that she ever for the week ending to-day, and the got clear, especially with the heavy surf to date: running. She seemed a medium-sized Mine I think a skysail." -

the master of the ship Coriolanus, whose | Centre Star vessel lax alongside the missing bark at Columbia-Kootenay Sydney, independent of the description given by the lighthouse keeper, said:

"She was a rigged back painted black to Y I. "She was a rigged bark, painted black I. X. L. sails, royal and skysails on the main top-One of the sailors of the Colusa mast."

fever at Panama.
Of course, Indian stories are always looked on with suspicion, but coming so close after the report of the lighthouse keeper, together with all other facts, the story of the Dodge's Cove Indians is or one of a similar build. The Indians being extended about 50 feet, reached given much consideration, firstly, because winter. it was a siwash story, and secondly, be- The famous Black Bear group of units cause all then believed that the vessel seen to founder. If the report were true,

It was not until the letter of Mr. Daythe steerage passengers of a steamer due kin set mariners thinking, that it was here to morrow are persons from Trieste shown that the Libertad could hardly These men have formed a very strong have been the lost bark, for she was . away to the northward when Captain ment work as rapidly as possible. Archas and his crew left her, and with the trend of the winds and currents the trend of the winds and currents would still have gone northward. There up, and by appears of an appraise in ere is more reason to believe that the erart the lower tunnel, some 100 feet deeper, is more reason to believe that the erart the been connected with the old workseen to founded was the bark seen ashore at Bonilla, and many things certainly point to the fact that this vessel tainly point to the rice that this vessel was the Colusa. The only thing to point to the contrary is that the lighthouse to the contrary is that the lighthouse keener says the bark on the rocks was biden. The Colusa was coming in bai- width where the lead was cut showing

tober 21st. She was in none too seaworthy condition for as she was entershow a decided increase over those last ing that port she went on a reef, where she remained for thirteen hours until two Copper Mining Company has had of the Wilder steamers released her and close down for the winter, not being abl. Walter Sharly, the well known civil libelled her owners for \$4.000 salvage. to get sufficie engineer, died yesterday at the St. Law- Only temporary repairs were made at work through libelled her owners for \$4,000 salvage, to get sufficient supplies to continu rence Hall, Montreal, where he resided. the Hawaiian port, and she came to this J. W. Westfall, superintendent of the port to be the company repaired. It is Scottish Canadian Mining Company. reasoned that owing to the insufficient states that the contractors are in 70 also connected with the development of repairs her seams may have parted dur- feet and will strike the lead in about the St. Lawrence canal system. He was ing the heavy November storms which feet. The ground has been hard, but pounded more than one vessel to pieces, is softening as they near the lead of

It was a market to be the boundary of the same of the

and that she drifted northward in a leakwas only sighted once since leaving Ha-wai, by the Highland Light. That was about the end of Nevember the was then some distance to the soft was of Cape Flattery. The winds prevailing since, added by the northwesterly currents, would bring the craft to about the position where she—if indeed it were she—is been in distress.

She is a bark of 1,125 tons, built 26

years ago. Captain Ewart, who is in command of her, is accompanied by his wife. Her crew, whose names have been given in these columns, number lindians See a Bark Foundering eight. She is owned by Captain Nelson, of San Trancisco.

> ******** Mining Perus

have more than surmise on which to been made here on a property on the

washes being witnesses of the disaster. Fork was attracting the attention of the escaped from the rocks she was car-ried northward by the south east gales and ultimately went down with all for that purpose. John Empey was ap-Mr. Daykin in his letter tells of the stranding of the bark as follows:

"I see by the papers that owing to the clumbia claims, one group, and the Boundary & Beaverton Mining Company acquired the Washington Little and Montana claims, the other group asoth groups are in the immediate vicants or

you the particulars.
"On the porning of the 18th two of my boys heard some rifle shots. Thinkof my boys heard some rifle shots. Thinkof my boys heard some signalling to them,

The principal of the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim. The principal of the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim. The principal of the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim. The principal of the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim. The Washington claim, owned the Washington claim, owned the Washington claim. The Washington claim owned the Washington claim. The Washington claim owned the Washington claim. of the property. The shaft is alread down 35 feet, On the Idaho claim, b shaft was sunk last summer, at the intersection of ampromising galena ledge

and the main ore body. Work will shortly start on the develop-

boys returned they said it was the bark The total shipments for the week were they had reported, that a breez sprung 5,470 tons, ranking third in the fear so up off shere which enabled her to get far. Appended is a detailed statement clear, but they think she slipped her of the ore shipped from the shall remove that the creation of the ore shipped from the shall remove the work with wall product and the creation of the creations are the creations.

Development is steadily proceeding in the Silver Queen, with, it is said said said

say she was running up before a heavy the vein and high grade ore, the result southeast gale when she suddenly rocked being most satisfactory in every way. Small forces are at work on the St bottom had fallen out. When this report Elimo and Beatrice, both of which chould was first heard on the coast it was not make satisfactory shipments during the

eral claims, located on Fish creek, have been purchased by Dotro't, Mich., and Windsor, Ont., capitalists. The exact I price paid is not stated, but it is said commany, and intend pushing develop At the Silver Cup very

ings. miles from Trout Luke City, A troppendous body of ore has been exposed, the last to be repaired at Esquimalt. 25 feet of sold ore, dechnically known as The bark sailed from Kahului on Oc- pyrrhotite. From tosts made of the eroppines assess of \$14 in gold have been obtained.

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For the third time in a fortnight the British army bauthorities have had it upon them that the tacemployed by them against without any flourish of trumpets, that not do. The reverse at Tugela River East Lillooet, has been abandoned. this morning goes to prove that it is About six months ago, when the Colonsheer madness to persist in ignoring an list was figuring out a majority against to throw out scouts and skirmishers to all the emphasis of a conviction that feel the way. It is as plain as a pike- comes from positive knowledge that Mr. staff that no such thing could have been | Prentice would never again take his done when these batteries went into ac- seat in the House, being legally disqualition by the river bank, for the feelers fied, and therefore Mr. Prentice's name would have been bound to discover the was dropped from the "slate" that the concealed enemy or to have drawn his Colonist gave to its readers to show fire, which is the same thing. Here we them that Mr. Semlin and his followers have a strength of thirteen guns going were outnumbered by his opponents. into action in face of an en- Thus is another Colomist bubble pricked. emy known to be in strength "It is highly improbable now," says the but at an unknown distance, un- Colonist, "that the matter will ever be limbering and about to begin when a gone on with." Just so; it was always nurderous rifle fire opens and destroys highly improbable, for the protest was he teams, kills and wounds a majority only a "bluff." f the men, and renders the work of sav- Some of the other predictions of the ig the guns utterly impossible.

whave it explained that the officer re- equally as unreliable as the above. The sponsible for this exposure of men and government has one of a majority over ship was controlled by martial law, that portion of a commando from the western tain forward movement behind clouds of to the Colonist, is out of the question as usual, ladies give and attend tea parties, Biggarsberg and scruts, that even the man in the street a leader of a government, and until they the Bers? Amidst the severe criticism feat the government. They want to little tim town nestling in one of the that is sure to be heard in the United know, and very properly so, who they dips of a vast rolling veldt; hugging a Kingdom will be a call to abandon as absurd and useless the "brilliant frontar event of a change. They decline to attack," the "dashing attack in line," the "contempt for a lurking foe."

It will be no disgrace to the British officer to go cautiously, to seek cover on every possible opportunity, to learn to wait a bit, and above all, to think first, last, and all the time of his men, and less, or not at all of his V.C. or C.B. or honorable mention in the dispatches The general features of German offen- tural point of view. sive tactics are those which might with . It will interest many to learn that and schools rise pyramids of beef boxes great advantage be adopted by the Britthere is a large area of land stretching hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired houses are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and strong enough to hired house and hired house are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and hired house and hired house are bulging with blanket led, it is compact and hired house are bulging with hired house and hired house are bulging with hired house and hired house are bulging with hired house and hired house are bulging with hired house

of the flank attack. Sixth, the deploy considerable size, winding through the matter of a great mass of infantry, in considerable size, winding through the matter of a great mass of infantry, in valley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches on the Charles of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches on the Charles of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches on the Charles of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches on the Charles of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches. The main column, considerable size, winding through the open of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches. The main column, considerable size, winding through the point of Boers, having thrown down the gaunt walley for about forty or lifty miles in occupied the approaches. the fight is hottest. Ninth, the employ-

From the foregoing even the layman that condition has been general on the tives it would appear that an advance Programmed Plan of the Boer Leaders may see that talks style of attack would coast. There can be no doubt that ensure some that, so far as one may judge from the dispatches, have the farmer and stock-raiser. Newcords and stock-raiser. may jidge from the dispatches, have been interly lacking in the British attacks during this campaign. It would ensure due warming to the main guard as to the presence of the enemy in force in the line of march or on the manks; at would absolutely (see second item) prevent any main body walking into such vent any main body walking into such traps as at Stommberg. Magersfontein and Tugela; it would (No. 3) worry the enemy by compelling him to divide his attention between two important points. attention between two important points. The reader may study the matter in detail for himself, always remembering that the scene of war in South Africa is in general about the worst possible to imagine for an attacking force, and the best possible to imagine for a defending

the 92nd Gordon Highlanders shortly before his refined for the sary to opening up of Siberia's grain fields. The before his retiral from the commanderbelong to the province of the miltary ex- of land.' pert, but they enter so largely into the domain of common sense as well as common experience that anyone of average intelligence can form an opinion on the There is no countries and the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain Killer.

Another large body of our gallant soldiers has been slaughtered without a chance to defend itself or take vengeance. Our men were, according to the defeated those of General Hernendez general's own dispatch, marched right near Tocuyo, a town 'n the state of Barup to the muzzles of the hidden enemy quesimete, 34 miles from Trujillo. and butchered in heaps under a murderous fire. If something is not radically wrong with our system why do these horrible things occur so often? Give morning board: Way Bagle 263, Zrat; quietly heave overboard past traditions hat fitted the times of Brown Bess, the

the fighting, and then there will be a dif-The Natal Force though fe.ent story to send home.

VIRTUALLY ABANDONED. The Colonist announces, quietly and

Boer style of tactics will the petition against Mr. Prentice, of ambushed enemy to the extent of failing the Semlin government, it declared with He Tells of the Situation at

Colonist in respect to the fate of the It sounds queer even to the civilian ear Semlin government will prove to be would be expected to support in the open their mouths and shut their eyes and swallow what is put in by the political empiries who now profess to lead the disjointed fragments of the opposition party in the House.

NORTH VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Mr. J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, has received from a cor- every conceivable assortment of war Ladysmith to Waschbank-that is, to or honorable mention in the dispatches of agriculture, has received from a corfor conspicuous gallantry in the field.
Willy ways with a willy foe; the man;
Willy ways with a willy foe; the man;
cal with an enemy who pots with deadcal with an enemy who pots with deadto the local peculiarities from an agriculture, has received from a correspondent in the northern part of the store. Dutch wagons with spans of ten
to fourteem oxen, mule trollies, water
to fourteem oxen, mule trollies, water
an open undulating plain, crossed by
deal of interesting information about the
conditions prevailing there, and also as
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to the local peculiarities from an agricult
but here been required from a corvery conceivable assortment of war
the foot of the Biggarsberg—there exists
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BABIES TORTURED

An Interesting Letter From a Special Correspondent of London Times.

Ladysmith Up to October 17th.

The following letter, dated Ladysmith, Oct. 17th, appeared in a recent issue of the London Times:

tre of all that the British Empire can which is skirted throughout is a broad do for the immediate defence of Natal, and open one and is wooded and well This all not being sufficient to guarantee and Indumeni ranges, and is a valley the security of the country against inva- down which it would be difficult for a sion it is impossible not to appreciate hostile force to march without an action the confidence which the colonists have with the Glencoe garrison. But with placed in the multary authorities. If it insufficient cavalry the line of communiwas not for the military occupation of carlon is vulnerable. The bouff ridges was not for the military occupation of the Biggarsberg tend to make it so, the camp and the turmoil of the arriv-for as far as can be learned from the ing "supply" of an army, the casual visi- disposition of the forces there a nathing tor would never realize that the town- to prevent the enemy from detaching a loss of costly property "desired to get all, and the indications are very strong a town guard of citizens mounted every nearer the enemy." Where are the cau- that defections will occur in the op- night, and that an enemy was actually outposts of Helpmakaar, could sweep tion, the concealment, the slow but cer- position ranks. Mr. Turner, according at the gates. Business proceeds as and the majority of men and women perform their duties just as they would has already been convinced are the only have agreed upon a successor the rank do in ordinary circumstances. It is a means of winning the way against the and file of the party will not vote to de- quaint little place, Ladysmith, just a kopje and a rivulet, and growing a few green trees where the rest of the plain is bare and brown-a town of one street and a few detached houses, that is all. Yet it would seem that within two months it will have become

A Township With a History. For it is impossible to foretell what a week or ten days may bring forth. Now does not require great foresight to renpital. From the compounds of churches

bodies, but what there is of soul in the given for all foodstuffs and stipplies takgovernment, 16,651 m les; corporations, invaders has reached headquarters here. 8,000 miles. A recent report on that in Over or two residents against whom some of the Boer leaders have particular "Russia can be practically independent allumosity state that they found it neces-

Leave in Haste. export of grain last year was 300,000; but there is little to show that the threatin-chiefship of the army three years ago, 000 quarters. Famine, three almost un- ening abtitude of the Boers was not declared that he would be well pleased avoidable, is now limited to one or two purely imaginary. While these three to see the British army adopt the new districts. Once the railroads reach the columns have been advancing southward tactics of the German army, which in his interior of these, the danger will distactics of the German army, which in his opinion approached as close to perfection meadows, steppes and prairies roam, in Jaager's Drift over the Buffalo has also as anything he had ever examined. The European Russia alone, 24,609,260 head shown activity. De Jaager's Drift is statement caused a good deal of com- of cattle, 44,465,450 sheep, 9,243,000 about 16 miles north-east of Dundee, ment at the time. These matters really hogs. It cultivates 1,098,507,780 acres and is the point from which it is antichpated the invaders will attempt to turn the right flank of the defensive line held by the British force. It is in the vicinity of this drift that the invaders scored a small success on the day succeeding the declaration of war. A post. ensisting of five of the Natal Border Police was watching the drift, and, not being warned of the outbreak of hostilities, they allowed themselves to be captured by a party of mounted Boers. Some little skirmishing has also taken place in this direction between patrols and we will then possibly lie beleaguerof the 18th Hussars and Boer outposts. But up to date these have been insignificant. Yesterday I had an opportunity armored train was carrying up a detachment of the Irish Fusiliers and I was Tommy Atkins a fair chance. It would Payne 103, 102; Montre and London able to accompany them. As I pointed 39, 37; Republic 101, 991. Sales: Repub- out in a preceding letter, Major-General be a relief to see the military authorities lic 500 at 101, 1,000 at 99, 2,000 at 100. Sir W. Penm Symons occupied Glencoe of occupation. As far as the troops ing the Boers from establishing themthat fitted the times of Brown Bess, the

Minie and the Snider, and manfully reBy flaming, itching eczema, find comfort

selves on the Biggarsberg range and at a pinch could ration the force for what plaintiff complained of. Subsetimes of thus commanding a further 40 miles of four months from to-morrow if our companion of the wonderful cognize the hard fact that it is now the and permanent cure in Dr. Chase's Oint railway communication. Strategically kill-at-two-miles, repeating, smokeless ment, a preparation which has a record the move was an excellent one, and if would happen in Natal behind us it is executed. In the course of some liti-Mauser rifle, the seven-mile Creuzot of cures unparalleled in the history of the general officer commanding in Natal difficult to summise. The majority of gation initiated by Mr. Midgley against estly recommend

touch with those of Ladysmith, and al-The Boers in Force

could not hope to evade Dundee without exposing one or both flanks to attack, it would be difficult to prevent a mobile and enterprising enemy from cutting the communications between Dundee and Ladysmith every night.

The camp at Dundee is situated in a fine open plain, two miles from the town. and 5,000 yards south of the Imparte range. The ridges of the latter mountain affording a position which, if held, the Boers will be very chary of attack ing. Three miles west of Dundee is Gleneoe, the junction of the Newcastle line This is he'd by a battation and a battery. Behind Glencoe lies the Biggansberg range with the railway coinmunication to Ladysmith. The puss over which the line is constructed is not Dusty little Ladysmith is now the cen- a difficult one; far from it, the valley border which evading the semi-loval unseen along the southern fringe of the

Strike the Railway

without opposition at any point between the Waschbank and Elandslaagte stations, a matter of 12 or 14 miles. Neither is this part of the line secure from attack from the Free State invaders. The commando from Van Reerien or Nelson's Kop, now in the vicinity Posters station on the Ladysmith-Harrismith line, could without opposition cross the Klip River hills and make the Glencoe line somewhere about Spruit. This manoeuvre would only en tail a ride of 16 miles. Consequently it it is the living centre of the force in Natal. Every hour trains roll into the sidings of the little station laden with patrolled. So much for the position of the Dundlee garrison. It should never be a quastion of a siege; if, as I anticied, if is compact and strong enough to

frack. Seventh monintervention of the artificial and will be settled up at an artificial the exception of the many date, and that it will become one of the many date, and that it will become one of the finest farming districts in the property of the finest farming distr

so on the Tuge a River. The strategical Free State columns arrive within striking distance of Colenso a column from the Buffalo River frontier may be there to join hands with them. So serious is the menace on the lines of communication that to-day a flying column consisting of the 19th Hussurs, a battery of Field Artillery, and the Liverpool Reginent were detached from Ladysmith to cover the line of communication at this point or lower if required—an inadequately small force, but all that could e spared. Colenso, which is the point where the Tugela River is bridged for the Newcastle-Durban line, has hitherthe battalion, supported by the column from Ladysmith, is suffit is too small to prevent the enemy from striking lower down. Thus, while enemy in the vicinity of Ladysmith and Dundee, we cannot chise our eyes to the

Have Been Surrounded:

Circumstances, chief of which is the forced the present situation on the army that wrote from Chicago to Midgley, at and Dundee with the object of prevent- themselves are circumstanced there is no cause for alarm. The supply officers arrangement with Close." This was to be seen on four months from to-morrow if our com- quently Messrs. Close agreed to plain of the wonderful munications were severed. But what tiffs' terms, and the contracts were cure in my own Mauser rifle, the seven-mile Creuzot cannon and the skilled German officer pelind it all that we have to contend hind a division of cavalry at his disposal to colorists seem of the opinion that having the hind disposal to colorists seem of the opinion that having the hind disposal that have the contend hind all that we have to contend the hind disposal that have the contend hind all that patrols of the Dundee force are not in this advantage—that the Dutchman In the course of his cross-examination ing from bad blood.

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(London Morning Post, Nov. 20th.) would be allowed to extrant a scandal In the Queen's Bench Division of the not know. If a man, being an undishel was heard, the plaintiff being Mr. smount of £20 without revealing that Broud street, and defendant Mr. Samuel seven undischarged Houseston Groves, of St. Helen's place clothe themselves with an act of parliaand Chicago. The defendant pleaded ment and obtain credit not merely for a that the letter in question was written few pounds but for thousands without Bonis fide and without malice, and that committing an offence.

Isaacs, Q.C., and Mr. J. Eldon Bankes appeared for the plaintiff; while Sir E. Clarke, Q.C., Mr. Carson, Q.C., and Mr. Danckwerts represented the defendant. The circumstances out of which the case arose were of a somewhat complicated character. In 1896 Mr. Wilkinson was sent to America to look about for an investment on behalf of the British Columbia Development Association, and as the result of his inquiries he advised

that their capital should be invested in three of his relatives, the construction of a railway from Skagway by way of the White Pass to Fort Selkirk. In pursuance of that scheme Mr. Wilkinson obtained acts of parliament from the Canadian and British Columbian governments, also an authority in respect of centain territory belonging to the United States through which the proposed railway would have to pass. In 1897 Mr. Wilkinson became the managing director of the Assets Dethe managing director of the Assets Development Company, and that company secured an option of acquiring the whole of the before-mentioned undertaking from the British Columbia Development Company. The plaintiff employed Mr. Midgley to raise some funds in connection with the matter, and through that gentleman he was brought into contact with Messrs. Close Brothers & Co., the system. of which firm the defendant was the been held by a battalion principal, and which found a sum of Natal volunteers. But even money and undertook other responsibilisores, abscesses, swollen glands, enrties with regard to providing further larged joints, thick lips, loss of flesh and funds. The Assets Company purchased cient to save the bridge from destruction, the enterprise and became entitled to the benefits of the concessions in due course, and ultimately it was arranged that to cure known to medical science. our patrols are skirmishing with the Messrs Close Brothers should buy the whole concern from the Assets Comfact that at any moment we may have cate kind as to price, the plaintiff refused pany. During negotilations of an intrito execute the contracts for the transfer of the propery unless the sum of £1,000 was paid to the Assets Company, ed urtil the time when a relieving force £500 to himself for some expenses he had is pushed up behind us, or relieves the incurred. In those circumstances pressure by an invasion of the enemy's Messrs, Close cabled to Mr. Groves, who of visiting Glencoe and Dundee. An territory, or the Boens choose to give us was looking after the interests of the armored train was carrying up a detachundertaking in America, to the effect numerical superiority of the enemy, have received blackmail. The defendant on "Wilkinson demands blackmail as to was not a sore

Wilkinson, of New fact he was guilty of an offence, and yet bankrupts could

> The jury on the question of malice returned a verdict for the defendant Judgment for the defendant according-

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the advanced p front, the point dozen privates the road, the umn. - Away 6 Altogether, tw 5th Lancers and and 53rd Field tain Battery, & Devons, Liverpe 2nd King's Ro Light Horse, a Once more, it The head of within three mil station. The vi open. On the railway; beyond gren mountain the left, front

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The Story of the War

From Capetown to Pretoria, by the Author of "With Kitchener to Khartoum."

Another Letter From the London Mail's Correspondent Guns at Reitfontein.

The business of the last few days has pointing. "Number 4"-and No. 4 gun peen to secure the retreat of the column hurled out fire and filmy smoke, then rom Dundee. On Monday, the 23rd, leaped back, half frightened at its own the whisper began to fly round Lady- fury, half anxious to get a better view smith, that Coi. Yule's force had lett of what it had done. It was a little town and camp, and was endeavoring to over. "Nineteen hundred," cried the majoin us. On Tuesday it became a cer- jor. Same ritual, only a little short.

northern road was jammed tight with sowed the whole of Matswana's Hoek bearer company, field hospital, ammuni- with bullets. tion column, supply column—all the stift, It was almost magical the way the unwieldy crawling tail of the army. Indians tottered and staggered under action about a quarter-past nine, and for

The head of the column had come within three miles or so of Modderspruit station. The valley there is broad and open. On the left runs the wire-fenced railway; beyond the land rises to a high gren mountain called Tinta Inyoni. Un the left, front is a yet, higher green

perhaps the least outlandish.

The force moved steadily on towards Moderspruit, one battalion in front of the guns. "Tell Hamilton to watch his left flank," said one in authority. "The enemy are on both sides of those hills.

The force moved steadily on towards was another spreading, blackening patch of yeidt—and silence.

From then the action fickered on till half-past one. Time on time the enemy feeling of his biceps. So astonished was he at their wonderful size and compactness that he immediately called Greene, saying, "here is a card for us—feel this fellow's arm."

Greene did so, and his astenishment was equal to that of Christol's. After thorough-Sure enough, there on the crest, there dotted on the sides, were the

Moving Black Mannikins that we had already open files of a battalion emerged from their pipes. The Boers made a hairas Boers. Presently the dotted head and left to cover their flank. The batteries and right; but the Volunteers on the left, behind the guns, changing direction halfpushed on with one battalion ahead of

blue peaks of the Drakensberg looked as if you could shout across to them. enough; the place it came from was tne left shoulder of Matawana's Hoek; the place it would arrive at we waited, half anxious, half idly curious to see. Whirr -whizz-e-e-e-e-phutt! Heavens, on to the very top of a gun! For a second the very top of a gun! For a second the gun was a whirl of blue-white smoke, to follow us home. Second, and more place. Prof. Lucien Marc Christol, lightwith gray-black figures struggling and important, this commando was driven weight champion wrestler of the world, the gun was a whirl of blue-white smoke, with gray-diack ngures struggling and linguistration with gray-diack ngures struggling and westward, and others were drawn west- had a standing challenge to any comers grew blacker and the smoke clearedand in the name of wonder, the gun

through the clefts of the nearer hills the

horse's blood on his boot, and his haversack ripped to rags. ness of the guns. At the shell-even before it—they flew apart like ants from watering can. From crewling reptiles they leaped into scurrying insects-the legs of the eight horses pattering as if they belonged all to one creature, the

Deadly Sting in the Tail

leaping and twitching with every move prevent the exportation of mickel ores ment. One battery had wheeled about, and nickel matte, which they say will and was drawn back at wide intervals have most important and disastrous refacing the Boer hill. Another was pattering swiftly under cover of a ridge lettward; the leading gun had crossed the railway; the last had followed; the battery had utterly disappeared. Boom! Whirr-whizz-e-e-e-phutt: The second Boer shell fell stupidly and burst in the empty veldt. Then bang!-from across the railway-e-e-e- whizz- whirr -silence—and then the little white balloon just over the place the Boer shell came from, . It was twenty-five minutes to

the infantry began to deploy. Glouces-ters and Devons wheeled half left off the pleasure. They proved to me a most. This discouraged Whistler and he quit In a double chorus of bangs and booms road, split into firing line and supports in excellent remedy for nervousness, neropen order, trampled through the wire fences over the railway. In front of the Boer position, slightly commanded on stony ridge: this the Gloucesters lined on line; Liverpools and Rifles backed up strong." right and left. But almost before they were there arrived the irrepressible ubiquitous guns. They had silenced the enemy's guns; they had circled round the left until they came under cover of the ridge; now they strolled up, unlimbered, or 3 for \$1.25, all druggists. T. Milburn and thrust their grim noses over the & Co., Toronto, Ont. brow. And then-whew! Their appearance was the signal for a cataract ot

Elandslaagte. The air whistled and hummed with them-and

Then the Guns Began,

The mountain guns came up on their mules-a drove of stupid, uncontrolled creatures, you would have said, lumbered up with the odds and ends of an Iron works and wagon factory. But the moment they were in position the gunners swarmed upon them, and till you have seen the garrison gunners working you do not know what work means. In a minate the scrap heaps had flown together into little guns, hugging the stones with their low bellies, jumping at the enemy as the men lay on to the ropes. The detachments all cuddled down to their guns; a man knelt by the ammunition twenty paces in the rear. "Two thousand" sang out the major. The No. 1 of each gun held up something like a cross, as if he were going through a religious rite, alter-Ladysmith, Oct. 26. ed the elevation delicately, then flung up his hand and head stiffly, like a dog "Nineteen fifty"-and it was just right, By four in the dim morning guns be- Therewith field and mountain guns, yard gan to roll and rattle in the mud-greased by yard, up and down, right and left, streets of Ladysm.th. By six the whole carefully, methodically, though roughly,

others walked beside wagons cutting away there came a round of shrappel to whips that would dwarf the biggest satisfied hinge horized over the said of the fills of the blue blue with fire smooth of birning yelds. Then, in the fire was the beside wagons cutting away there came a round of shrappel to whips that would dwarf the biggest satisfied hinge horized over the said of the fills of the blue blue with fills of the blue came a patch of the said of the blue came a patch of the said of the blue came a patch of the said of the blue came a patch of the said had bridge way the police, who had backed the champton heavily, by turning off the gas blue the fills of the off the everestending life to be five with the fills of the fills of the blue came a patch of the said bordered with this colored bounders and bordered with the fills of the blue came a patch of the said of the blue came a patch of the said of the blue came a patch of the said backed the fills of the blue came a patch of the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was exhausted and couldn't the road or postuded it under their even the fills of the off the extrapolation. The probably an exaggeration. It was the minutes of simost superhuman exertions. It is said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared do far the said that Muldoon was only spared to the campton heavily, by turning off the gas been becaused the campton heavily, by turning off the gas been becaused the campton heavily, by turning off the said that Muldoon was adapted and couldn't have maintained his feet five minutes longer.

The Boer loss is reported at corry, who is the campton heavily, by turning off the said that Muld others walked beside wagons curing away there came a round of shrapnel to the advanced party; then, in the very knocking at the door, and the Boer fire a mounted and worked in a foundry. He he won and that a mounted and worked in a foundry.

> dead; down went fifty men. For a second a few of the rawer and grasping the back of the chair between hands in the regiment wavered; it might his powerful jaws he lifted both it and its have been serious. But the rest clung occupant clear of the ground and walked doggedly to their position under cover; around a circle with them, the officers brought the flurried men up to the bit again.

the last retiring detachment, then lit that had always been his one ambition hearied attempt to get in both on left | Marc. unhampered.

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Boom! The sound we knew well hough: the place it came from was the hough: the place it came from was the hough: the place it came from was the hough: The sound we knew well hough: the place it came from was the hough: The place it came from was the hough in those five hours of straggling bursts and take you on the road."

Whistler eagerly accepted and made his Dundee.

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the advanced party; then, in the very front, the point, a sergeant and haif a dozen privates trudging sturdily along the road, the scenting nose of the column. Away with of sight were the borsens, and the horsens and the borsens and the b Once more, it was fighting. hundred yards. Down went the colonel | take a little walk with you." And suiting the action to his words he leant over

"What sort of a man are you anyway?" said Christol as the husky moulder demountain, double peaked, called Matawana's Hoek. Some call the pisce 20.

The Mountain Guns Turned
time selzing Whistier by the arm and
feeling of his biceps. So astonished was

rebuked him and he was still. At length by looking the young moulder over, Christol the regiments withdrew. The hot guns limbered up and left Rietfontein to burn an athlete and wrestle, and with sparkling itself out. The sweating guiners covered eyes and flushed face Whistler declared "Have you ever wrestled any?" inquired

"Oh, yes," replied Whistler, "that is the cavalry on the right, a shell or two just what I can do. I've thrown every from the centre, checked them as if by man about the shops, in fact I have never liant sunshine; the air was dead still; machinery. We went back to the camp yet met a man who could down me." "You can quit work right off," quietly And at the end of it all we found that answered Christol. "I'll give you better

good? asked doubting Thomas. Much. To debut as a heavyweight lifter before a begin with, the Boers must have lost large Elysees audience. He was a draw-heavily; they confessed that aloud by the fact that, for all their pluck in standing big, jovial, generous fellow that he soon ward to aid it-and the Dundee force offering to throw any local aspirants for was marching in from the east. Drag- honors on the mattress four times in one and in the name of wonder, the gun ging sore feet along the miry roads they hour. James Van Horn, a barber, publishheard the guns at Reitfontein and were ed a defi to Clarence Whistler for \$250 a glad. The seeming objectless cannonade side and gate money to the winner. The secured the unharassed home-coming of match took place at the Academy of or anything else but the amazing nimblein twenty-eight minutes. In the second bout his opponent broke his collar bone Frem two of its consular officers, Con- and Whistler was declared the winner. sul-General Turner at Ottawa and Com- Christol was wonder-struck, and upon his recovery induced the young moulder to Got Beyond Control and Was Ditched-Marie, the United States state depart- take the road with him, which was at once accepted

Six months later Whistler returned to the Elysees, bringing Andre Christol, a brother of Marc. with him. They had two matches, both of which were held in Metz hall, and both resulted in draws. The first match of one hour and ten minutes was a wrestle without a fall, and the second of one hour and fifteen minutes. This was a remarkable performance, inasmuch as Whistler was experienced, still not as old and scientific as his antagonist. Whistler went to Kansas City, accompanied by Marc, where the latter matched him against a well known professional named Murphy, from New York, for a purse of \$50. Whistler was an easy winner, and in burn's Heart and Nerve Pills with pleasure. They proved to me a most excellent remedy for nervousness, nervous debility and exhaustion, and I can heartly recommend them."

Verely that he was permanently disabled and never appeared on the mattress again. This discouraged Whistler and he quit athletics and went on the Kansas fire department, where he distinguished himself on the occasion of a few by leading the provided in the partment of the p Mrs. Elizabeth Barton, Britannia St., the first fall injured the Gothamite so sethe hose-reel and making the coupling

> Marc Christol took him once more under his wing, and in the fall of '81 escorted him to New York. He created a furore in the metropolis by throwing big Martin Quigley three times in forty-five minutes. Quigley weighed 260 pounds, and in those days was considered all but invincible. His next notable match was with Billy Muldoon, the pride of Gotham. They collided of a tremendous audience. It was one of the most stupendous struggles ever wit-

Whistler next turned up under the management of Arthur Chambers in Philadelphia, where he took a course of instruction all comers. Shortly after this he went on the road again, he and Muldoon doubling in in an athletic combination. They were out a year, and Whistler wrestled all comers in every part of the United States, meeting fully one hundred of the very best Men to be found in the country.

After the disbanding of the Whistler and

Muldoon combination, he made a match with Tom Cannon, the famous English champion, for \$500 a side. Cannon won instantly. the first fall in twenty minutes, Whistler slipping on an orange peel that some paritzavs had cast upon the carpet. The Englishman went down easy, however, in the pext two falls. This was in Kansas City. Whistler's winning was \$2,800. As an evidence of a magnanimous and generous nature, he returned Cannon's \$500 to him. ubsequently he met Bauer and Duncan C. Ress beating both hands down, and again he went against his old partner-Muldoon -in two other matches in San Francisco, The first he lost, breaking his shoulder blade, but the second he won handily. Next he defeated Tom Cannon, then Peter Whistler went to Australia by the advice of his old professor, Marc Christol, where he bested enery man foolhardy enough to tackle him. His last match was a lamentable one, for out of it grew the disease that sent poor Whistler to his grave. It was with Prof. William Miller, at Melbourne, which, after a terrific battle, the boy won in two straight falls. His winnings reached the sum of \$9,271. He took the first fall in one hour and forty minutes, Miller being so enervated that he

could hardly stand. Three weeks after this memorable meet the Melbourne enthusiasts gave the Am- the roads are heavy, and the streams are erican a banquet, at which the wine rising. flowed like rain. Whistler was a convivial soul, and in the excitement of an unguarded moment he selzed the rint of a strength lifted it upon an adjacent table. The next morning he complained of a sorea magnificent monument to his memory.

TRAIN WRECKED Four Men Killed.

(Associated Press.) Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 16.—The bodies of Engineer Arthur E. Baine and Joe A. Ogden, fireman, Earl Bradshaw and found the enemy firing a salvo from John Peterman, of Spokane, who was in-Hendrick Hill, on a branch of the North-

ern Pacific while descending a high grade to Henr ed burglary. drick Hill on rails covered with snow and ice, tore up the track for a quarter of a mile in its mad flight and ditched itself in the yard.

PLUM PUDDINGS AND MINCE PIES

New York, Dec. 16.-A large meteor flashed over this city at 8:20 o'clock young Hercules, and he returned to last night. Its trail seemed to burn with a steady light instead of throwing out

> CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

the har simile digram a Charth Flitchers (723)

Life in Ladysmith

The Curiolities of the Boer Siege--"Look After My Cat."

Loudon Daily Mail's Corresponddent Describes the Shell

The London Da ly Mail prints the following dispatch from its special correspondent at Ladysmith, which is believed to be the first which Mr. Steevens has succeeded in getting through for very many days:

generating into a farce. Our sole hard- furnished in English style. I know that ship is the monotony, which has been not long ago she gave an immense order broken only by one reconnaissance and for an c'd-fashioned chintz to one of our

westward revealed the fact that the like that of the Princess of Walcs, is al-Boers are weak. It is staled that only ways a very bower, and the flowers she 4,000 were disclosed. I believe there are likes to arrange with her own nimble fin-

fewer. Our guns shelled and silenced the enemy's artillery, and our cavalry and mounted infantry advanced against a languid fire. On our retirement the enemy's guns reopened, and the big guns to the northeast peppered the road by which we returned. During half an hour This Time William Bowen, of

turned out, except one midshipman, who said it was his middle watch, and he pers reported the case of Geo. Barkley,

Nothing followed. Nov. 17.-The principal interest of the from Joe McGillick, a lightweight Cornish situation is the weather-glass level. A wrestler, finishing his schooling. Whistier downpour on the 15th drenched all our loudly proclaimed aimself the champion outposts. On the 16th the day was decatch-as-catch-can of the world, and defied liciously fine. The Boers dried their clothes and then began a languid bom- regarding Dodd's Kidney Pills. sumably kept down by the difficulty of ache in a severe way. Backache is not carrying ammunition to the high sum. a mere affection of the muscles or an mits on which their guns are placed. One unlucky shrapmel killed a railway

two natives. The day before a shrapner the back. This is quite useless, as no bullet took a volunteer, who was asleep amount of rubbing can reach the kidin his tent, in the spine, and killed him neys where the ache is actually located. These are the only recent casualties.

fear of the garrison is lest the Boers form of Kidney Disease in its. fatual have mostly gone leaving only a skeleton form. of a containing force.

It is known that Joabert's Transvaalers have Marched South,

and the Free Staters also.

A few houses were hit lately, the smoking room of the Royal hotel being

smashed. the room in which several officers, in- now completely cured, and can highly cluding Colonel Rhodes, were about to recon breakfast. A floor pank was blown up one troubled with Backache. The men and stuck in the ceiling, the crockery in the shop will all vouch for my case. was smashed, but not the pictures. Nobody was there. The officers had breakfast five minutes later. Another curious case was that of a telephone operator of the Irish Fusiliers. He had gone out to get a light for his pipe. A shell burst in the telephone tent, pitched into his jacket and sliced the top of his helmet,

fattening from the want of exercise.

the enemy was the firing of three rounds from a how tzer at 7:30 yesterday evencask of wine in his teeth and by sheer ing. The second ricocheted off the wall, flew out the front door, and kicked up a paving stone without bursting. Mr. ness in his chest, and that night he was Stark, a naturalist, who was preparing seized with a chill, which developed into a book on the entomology of Natal, was acute pneumonia. Three days later he was standing in the doorway. He was hurla corpse. He was buried in Melbourne, ed into the street, both his legs being his legion of friends and admirers erecting torn off. He said, "Look after my cat!" and then died.

The same afternoon A Shell Fell Among the Gordons, who were playing football, and ploughed up a hole. The Gordons continued the game, but afterwards the football teams, finding they offered too good a target,

Brakeman A. Budge, all of Spokane, also some twenty guns, the swish-crash being unusually distinct in the stillness. jured, have been taken from a wreck at Though the fire was distributed evenly over the camp, it sounded as if each over the camp, it sounded as if each shell was coming into one's bed. The dogs barked, considering this an attempted burglary.

There were no casualties. The train, which got beyond control dogs barked, considering this an attempt-

There were no casualties. We rashly accused the Boers of Sabbath breaking, but their time is threequarters of an hour late, and they mere ly intended to wind up the week in good

To-day there is the usual informat Sunday truce.
Nov. 20.—Seven wounded from the Frere armored train were sent into the Tombi Red Cross Camp yesterday. There was some languid shelling to-day, but no damage except to a chur h porch, which was smashed by Long Tom.

THE CZARINA OF RUSSIA It has been told that the Czarina of Rus

G.W. STEEVENS.

sia is not as popular as she deserves to be among the people of her adopted country For all her gentleness the Czarina is woman of strong character, and she does not hesitate to show her likes and dislikes, or express her disapproval, where Superseding Bitter Apple, Pil Cochia, Penny disapproval is due. And there is, to tell the truth, much that may grieve her spirit in the atmosphere of society in St. Petersburg. Like her mother, the Grand Duchess burg. Like her mother, the Grand Duchess disapproval is due. And there is, to tell

of Hesse, and her aunt, the Empress Frederick of Germany, before her, the Czaring is somewhat of a reformer, and a Princoss's adopted people are always apt to resent the new-rangled ways of a foreigner. There are those Russians who speak of her impatiently as "The German," and others who call her "The Englishwoman." Fortunately, the Empress finds every happiness in her home life. The Emperor is simply devoted to her, and knows no happiness away from her side. To see them together you might imagine them an engaged couple. Their three tiny girls are very dear to them, and much of her time is spent by the Empress in the nursery. The flower of the flock, as far as looks are concerned, of the babies, is Grand Duchess Tatiana, the second child. She is a real beauty, with dark pathetic eyes, and wistful little mouth. But the Grand Duchess Olga, the eldest, is such a hearty, merry child, everybody loves her. I have often wondered whether she is destined to be our future Queen Consort. For I believe it is quite true that when she saw Prince Edward of York playing about the gardens at Balmoral with his Russian cousin, the Queen expressed some wish that a la belle Ladysmith, Nov. 16, via Mooi River, alliance might be made in years to come. Nov. 27.—The sege of Ladysmith is de- Her rooms at Peterhon the Empress has best known firms in London. Of flowers On the 14th a recommaissance to the she is passionately fond, and her boudoir. gers.-Woman at Home

MOULDER AGAIN.

Brockville, is Cured of Backache by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Moulder's Seems to Be a Fortunate Trade-Second Moulder Dodd's Kidney Pills Reported Recently to Have Cured.

Brockville, Dec. 15 .- Last week the padid not see why he should be woke. a Hamilton moulder, who was fortunate enough to find a cure for Rheumatism. This, it turned out, was Dodd's Kidney Pills, the most famous kidney medicine in the world. There is a moulder in Brockville who also has a word to say

William Bowen suffered with Backache in the backbone. Many people thinking this was the case have spent guard and wounded three civilians and money and time rubbing liniments into Backache is kidney-ache and should be treated as such. Otherwise it may de-All the wounded are doing well. The only velop into Bright's Disease or some other

Mr. Bowen says of his cure: Brockville. Dodds Medicine Co., Gentlemen,-I have been troubled with pain in my back and in the region of my kidneys, and I was advised by Mr. Stegg, butcher, of this town, to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. I was very bad, being The same morning a sheil burst under hardly able to stand the pain. I am

I remain, yours, etc., WM. BOWEN.

case was that of a telephone operator of the Irish Fusiliers. He had gone out to get a light for his pipe. A shell burst in the telephone tent, pitched into his jacket and sliced the top of his heimet. The instruments were intact.

Our health is excellent, though we are fattening from the want of exercise. There was a downpo'ir this afternoon the roads are heavy, and the streams are rising.

Nov. 19.—The latest eccentricity from the enemy was the firing of three rounds from a how tzer at 7:20 yesterday evening. The second ricocheted off the wait lew out the front door, and kicked up a paving stone without bursting. Mr. BRITISH ART & NOVELTY CO... 86 Bay Street, Toronto

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VICTORIA.

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ocal+ Rews.

(From Friday's Daily.) Mr. Propest Prothero received news to-day from London to the effect that his brother Flug-Captain Prothero of the Doris, was not killed at the battle of Graspan, but escaped with a bullet wound in the shoulder. To know

-What will probably be the first note sounded in the municipal campaign will be struck next week in Victoria West, where a mullic meeting will be held! the special object of which will be the ventilation of matters affecting that suborb.

Attorney General Henderson receiv ed a deputation of Victoria West citl zens yesterday in regard to Craighower road matters and promised careful consideration of their request that the gov- Redding's grocery. ernment should declare that road a pub-

The meeting of the commissioners of the Esquimalt license district; summoned for this morning, was not held, the altting being adjourned until the 30th. The reason of the adjournment was the failure opresumably through bad weathen of the applicants to appear.

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The breakage of a rod in the locomo dive prevented the train from Nanaimo reaching the Store street station at noon poday. The train got into Russell station, at which point the passengers were transferred to the street cars and brought the remainder of the distance to town,

-A meeting of the licensing board of South Victoria district was held this afternoon at the provincial police office. Two renewals were granted, one to Roland of Burnside road and the other to Louis Duval of Royal Oak. A new license was issued to W. H. Muller of the Victoria Gardens.

Brennan, recently arrived in up from San Erancisco this morning and later in the day was taken in charge by the police on account of her strange behavior. She seems to be melancholy, and will be examined by the doctor. She has in her possession a bill of exchange

The sad intelligence has been received from Toronto of the death in that Scotland. city of Mrs. A. Hope Crawford, beloved white of the chief stenographer of the law courts of Ontario, sister of Mr. Dan McLachian, and sister in law of Mrs. Geo. Herd, of this city. The deceased lady has been ill for a considerable time. She was a devoted wife and mother and will be greatly missed.

Lewis J. Lewis, of Edwardsdale, Lexenine county, Pennsylvania, writes to his worship the mayor begging for information, if any be obtainable, of the publication which has become familiar to thousands of the husiness people of writers son, Thomas Lewis, whom he describes as a young man, 5 feet 8 inches -Lewis J. Lewis, of Edwardsdale,

Hermann, according to special advices from Washington City, this just decided an important question governing placer mining upon the beach of Behring sen, off the locate of the locate -U. S. Commissioner of Public Lands off the coast of Asaska, at and near was seen this morning by a Times re-Cape Nome. He holds that the tide porter, but modestly disclaims having

-The local Mansion House fund committee met yesterday afternoon and decided to send a draft for £130 to London. This deaves on hand an amount sufficient for the making of necessary alterations to the doors of the Drill Hall should the militia department insist upon this being done. A resolution was pass-Harrup and T. H. Twigg delegates to ed deciding that the committee shall not represent the council at a convention to disband at present, there being a prob. be held in Vancouver on Wednesday ability of other patriotic movements beability of other parameter movements before the close of the Transveal war. The
committee consists of W. Ridgway Wilson, chairman; Ald. Hayward, secretary; and Senator Templeman, Mayor Red so as to make it more workable. Other tern, Col. Gregory, T. R. Smith, T. E. questions affecting the interests of la-Pooley, R. Jamieson, H. Kent and C. H. bor will also doubtless come before the

molecus come On Wednesday evening one of the years assembled at the Agricultural Society's hall, the occasion being the anpual ball and supper of the society: There were over fifty couples present, the hall being taxed to the utmost to accommodate the dancers. The supper ing and could not be liable for the improvided by the ladies of the society was provement required. Now the chief caumot be said as the society owes much for this purpose has rodressed a letter of his present success to their help. The ran a special train to accommodate those to hold another dance on the 10th of January,

-After the regular weekly service at Emmanuel Baptist church last night a farewell social was tendered to Rev. H.
H. Saunders, who has relinquished his work at Saansch, and is proceeding to New Brunswick to return to his old pastorate. After the refreshinguish had been enjoyed, Rev. B. Hastings, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist church, referenced. red to the happy relations that existed between him and the departing minister, and spoke of the service rendered by Rev. Mr. Saunders to Emmanuel church during the interim that church was without a pastor, Mr. W. Marchant also spoke as chairman of the Baptist Mission Board. He said he regretted the de-parture of Rev. Mr. Saunders and in-cidentally mentioned that three other Baptist ministers were leaving their charges in this province, Bev. J. S. Stevens. of Mount Pleasant, Nancouver; Rev. C. N. Mitchell, of Chilliwack; and although it has not been definitely de-

from the province. cellent programme was rendered and nearly \$400 rea ized.

-During the agitation pine Victoria West over the Craigflower read matter last summer, it was repeatedly urgen. especially by a reverend; advocate of not deal fairly by the district refforts be made to induce tradesmen, to establish businesses there to which the people would divert their trade and thus make their ind gnation felt in a tangible way The suggestion seems to have been prometly taken up, for shortly. wards a drug store was opened by Mr. Hitt, and a dry goods establishment by Westcott Bros. A third addition to the trading facilities of the district was opened last night by Mr. Fued Handerson, who has started a store in which and dry goods staples are carried, on the Craited over road many composite Mr. Craigflower road, nearly opposite Mr.

Owing to the unexpected action of the school board in not allowing the school children to contribute the usual Christmas offerings, the Friendly Help Asmas gifts for those who are needing, and looking forward to them. These gifts being in some mustances the only Christmas some people have, there will be many and little hearts left to deplore the action above mentioned But athis need not prevent the children from carrying out their very laudable and charitable intentions, for if they still wish to contributes the members will be in at-tendance at the Friendly Help room, No. 40 Market Hall on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next weeks from 11 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. to receive any donations that kind little friends may feel disposed to bring. Gifts from any friends, as well as from the children, will be very thankfully received, a hadron to my

From Saturday's Dally.) ie Victoria Gardens.

At the early age of I years Mrs.

David Breckender, daughter of Mr.

James Barker Strawberry Vale, died yesterday. The deceased was a native of the day was taken in charge by

The Scots Canadian Mining and the velopment Syndicate, Bimited To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire mines, mining rights, and metalliferous lands in the province of British Columbia or elsewhere, with a capital of £1,500 in £1 shares, has ben registered at Edinburgh. . naive and

-Rev. W. H. Barraelough officiated yesterday afterboon at the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Grace Barwis, which took place from the residence of the de-ceased's daughter, Alpha street, Burn-side road. The following gentlemen offi-ciated as pall-bearers: Reckayton, W. Mercer, J. Foster and W. Atwood.

describes as a young man, 5 feet 8 inches in height, dark complexion, a miner by occupation, who left home six years ago and has not since been heard from. His parents are aged dail almost heartbroking from the formation contained in the Guide will be always up the formation. to-date, and thoroughly reliable.

Revelstoke.

-A meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was he'd hast evening, which was addressed by Mr. Charles A. A. Derry, oragnizer of the Fifteenth Dis-trict of the International Typographical Union." The principal business transpotnext, the object of which is to discuss convention."

-At the last meeting of the board of largest gatherings that has been held for school trustees a request from the chief on Thursday, December 28th from 3 to of the fire department to the effect that 6 p.m., and the committee of ladies in fire escapes be provided for the North charge of the undertaking invite dona-Ward school was met with the statement tions from the charitably disposed. The from some of the members that the matron at the Orphange will receive board was not the owner of the build- gifts for the Christmas trees A cordial ing and could not be liable for the im invitation is extended to those who wish excellent, and in their favor too much wants to know who is responsible, and and to take part in the proceedings. music was supplied by Mr. Frank Sehl desired information. He is determined and associates. The V. & S. Ry. Co. | that the lives of the children shall not be endangered by the absence of the esfrom the city. It is the intention of the cape, and intends to compel those resconsible to erect one. But if it trans-prizes that the city is liable, Chief Deasy ity to assist the work will be given to employs him. The situation would certainly be unique, as he would then be

J. Heney, under whose direction nearly all of the contract work on the White Pass & Yukon road has been letter written under date of Bennett.

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from the province.

Zero, There is no show for a freeze, The Canadian Development Company has described to put house on the June from Wednesday evening on behalf of the Mansion House fund at which Mr. W. Mansion House fund, at which Mr. W. A. Robertson, M.P.P., presided. An excellent programme was rendered and take the following which shortens the discontinuous states.

surburban rights, that if the city would Mr. Powell, for the defence, asked that Louise Ash, of Carboneer, Newfoundthe case be dismissed, but this the court land, husband and wife. This is the first ance in answer to a summons which the ing upon an adjournment rather than the ried quarters at Work Point. prosecutor brought into court, and it it was found that his motive for instituting proceedings against the house in question had been for the purpose of satisfying a personal spite, as alleged by the defence, he must be taught that the court did not exist for any such purpose.

that Lieut. T. E. Pooley, acting adjusociation is left without the usual Christ. J. D. Pemberton, who is an engineer, leave on Monday for England, Their object is, if possible, to obtain commis sions in some of the regiments, already in South Africa, or, in some of those ordered to leave for the front. The heavy casualty list of officers in connection with most of the regiments engaged has aircady thrown a large number of com-missions vacant, and the probability of these gentlemen attaining their ambi-tion is very bright. Lieut. Pooley, especially, has shown commendable zeal in his endeavor to see service, his efforts to secure a place on the Canadian contingent being a matter of common knowedge. That he and his companions may succeed in their present undertaking will be the wish of all their friends in this city. A young Englishman named Ewart left a couple of days ago for London, hoping to get into the army for South Africa.

From Monday's Dallyist

The boys of the Chinese Methodist Mission, Fisquard street, intend giving a Christmas social to their Englishspeaking friends to-morrow evening (Tuesday), at 8 o'clock. Addresses will be delivered by city ministers, music by the mission boys. Refreshments will be served. All interested in the mission will be made welcome. No admission fee. fee.

-On Saturday evening Mr. W. C. Chacaman conducted play at the Vic-taria Chess Gub, undertaking eight sumultaneous games, of which he was declared by the arbitrator, when T. H. Piper to have won four and drawn four, none being finished. Those who lost were Mr. Gibson, Dr. Garesene, Mr. B. J. Penry and Capt. Mitchell while Mr. Alliett, Mr. Gordon, Hunter, Major Williams and Mr. Meyers speceeded in making draws, Next Seturday Mr. Piper will conduct simultaneous play.

-During his visit to Victoria. Sir Chas. Tupper was entertained at lunchcon Tates the Union Club by Messrs. Prior and Earle. There were present in addition to the guest, Premier Semin, ing the Dawson excitement, and strange and the district of Alaska are not public cands, subject to disposal to individuals under any existing laws of the United States, and there the department has no statutory authority to make concessions to individuals of any mining rights pertaining to such tide lands.

Sir Hibbert Tupper, ex Premisr Turner, anything to say of general liberest in regard to the new golding ds. Beyond the information that one thousand will winter at Adlin and that the attendance of school children is encouraging, he had, be said nothing new to report. Mr. Graham goes hence to his old home at Revelstoke.

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-Two changes of stealing were before the court this morning, bothe of which went over until the 20th, I One was against Qwang Wah Sing, (who was givon in change a few days since by another Chinaman, who alleges that he store a box of clothing from him. The other case is that of a Jap woman, a servant in the house, of Mrs. Bishop, who as charged with stealing articles to the amount of \$90 from Miss Bishop. The articles mentioned are a god watch and chain, gold bracelet, two gold nuggets, scrpent ring, handkerchiefs and \$7.25 in silver.

-Christmas cheer and a Christmas tree are to be provided for the little ones in the B. C. Protestant Orphange neighborhood of \$50,000. Max Kalish, part owner and agent of the Humboldt. to see the little ones enjoying themselves that some parties unknown to him had made application for the vessel, stating that no other passengers but the party

-A great many people have expressed themselves heartily in accord with the movement for the education of the deaf mutes in the city, and some have been desirous of finding a means of giving ity to assist the work will be given to will be placed in the embarrassing post-tion of prosecuting the corporation which the benefit of the fund. The Douglas Mandolin Club will play several seleccompelling the city to obey the laws which they themselves framed. There is material for a Gilbertian opera in Victorials most popular vocadists. During the evening the number of the city of the cit quilis who chave received instructions attesperation winds from Miss Merrist will go through brief exercises, and doubtless many who at tend will be surprised to find how much has been accomplished by this gifted teacher in the short time she has dedone, has decided to operate a horse pack train over the Canadian Development Co.'s cut'off, from Bennett to & Co.'s, the Victoria Book & Stationary Dawson. This announcement came in a Co.'s, Hall & Co.'s, W. Wilby's. D. Campbell's and C. E. Jones's. Following December 4, received yesterday in this city. The writer says: "Hency, of the White Pass road, has 390, horses idle, and he has announced that he will run and plano, Mrs. Davis and Meesrs. Wina horse train through to Dawson early nitizham and Peden; senor solo; selection, in January. This will be good news to Douglas Mandelin Club; exercises by outsiders coming in and te some who are profits, under Miss Merritt; song, Mr. J. going to Nome and Dawson. Of the G. Brown: triol mandolins and plano, weather on the Yukon, and affairs in Mrs. Davis and Messrs. Winningham

the to Dawson a shore Broundson; some Miss Goward Tork

-Rev. J. P. D. Knox, pastor of the The action brought against the Victoria West Methodist church, who is also chaplain to the Wesleyan section Queen's hotel for supplying liquor during of the troops at Work Point, performed biomisted hours was called in the city a ceremony in the church on Friday afpolice court this morning, but the prosecutor failed to put in an appearance. lagher of Company 19 R.A., and Miss would not consent to, finally ordering an marriage which has taken place in Contadjournment until Monday, when, if the pany 19 R.A. since its arrival here, the prosecutor fails to put in an appearshe has made her home for the last few court directed to be issued, a warrant years, to Victoria to join her future hus-will be issued for his apprehension. The band, a few days ago. The happy couple magistrate gave as his reason for insist- will take up their residence in the mar-

LOYAL INDIANS

The Carmanah, Co-oose and Nitinat Indians Subscribe to Mansion House Fund

The Times has received from Mr. Daykin of Carmanah lighthouse the follow-ing interesting letter and handsome subscription by the Indians in that heighborhood to the grand patriotic fund no growing in London by the efforts of lovel subjects throughout the Empire The reminder that our humble fellow subjects feel quite as keenly as the best of us the necessities of the time. per authorities and duly credited. Following is Mr. Daykin's letter To the Editor: I beg to forward, per

ayor of Capt. Hughes, steamer Queen City, the sum of thirty-nine dollars and ten cents for the Mansion House fund in aid of "The Absent-Minded Beggar, Will you kindly have it forwarded? The sum of \$17.00 is from the Carmanah, Classes and National Indians who fully Charose and Natimat Indians, who fully understand what it is for. I choose the mannes: Cheef Dick, CdR. Joe, Yawbus, Tom. Chastic Chief Police Charie, Jammy Smith, Daniel Williams, 50c each; Pour and chief Nitmat, 750 chief 25c Widabap Hd Billy Gebs, of Co-oose, 50c each; Chief Jim, 50c; Jimmy Natum, 50c; Sasan 50c. The diamond pin raffled at the Grottosalcon on Saturday night was won by Mr. Fred Corrigan, the well known cigar drummer. A throw of forty five, made by a good friend of Mr. Couldan's, was the highest.

The boys of the Chinese Methodist 25c; Joseph, 25c; Jim Thompson, 25c; Peter 25c; Johnny, 25c; Harry Nelson, 25c; Joseph, 25c; Johnny, 25c; George Robin, 25c; Joseph, 25c; Johnny, 25c; George Robin, 25c; Joseph, 25c; George Table, 25c; George Table, 25c; Charces Wesley, 25c; George Table, 25c; Tommy Johnson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Keeps, Andrew Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thompson, 25c; all of Closose, George Robin, 25c; All of Closose, 25c; All of Closos drew, Tommy Tuchky, Charlie Thomp-son, Nitinat George, Moses, Saki, Big Gibbs, Altherub, Nitimat Jack, David, Wittnersus, Saint George, Mac (chief). Conrad. Dick, Culley, Jachena Jim, Clanawah Charlie, Nootka Jim, all of Ninnat, 25c each. Som, Peterson, Sam Williams, Annie, 10c each (40c). Total.

The Indians wish to say they are very sorry for the white people who have lost their husbands and fathers; they are g ad to help, and give freely, what little they can, for they mucht be in trouble onselves sometime.

I also emclose \$20 for the same purpose \$10 from Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, of cape Beare light house, \$10 from self and family, \$1 from store at Clo-oose and \$50c from Mrs. Vans. Ve. I remain, yours truly. W. P. DAYKIN.

Lighthouse Keeper, Carmanah."

Queer coaft and queerer outfits win join in the northward rush to the gold Klondike was the steamer Columbia with a cabin full of widows, who, by the Hill: now with some of the old guard-There is a proposition afoot this year which rivals all the schemes of the past in originality. It is a plan to charter a steamer to take a colony of sports" to Cape Nome. The projectors of the scheme have approached the owners of the steamer Humboldt, signifying to them their desire to leave San Francisco early in May, the outfit to be put on board either at this city or at Seattle. It is at the latter city that the capital for he expedition is to be supplied. The interested parties made no cofficealment of the nature of plans. They are to take with them the stock for one or more saloons and complete gambling layouts, including games of all descriptions, from keno to fare. The rest of the cargo will be made of provisions for a year, bar fixtures, bilhard tables and a dozen or more houses n sections. In the party will be from 100 to 125 men and women. The women are to preside over the games of chance and serve drinks. To charter the Humboldt for such a trip will cost in the

it was out of the question to attempt to go in before June. The whaler Mermand, wrecked off Dutch harbor and bought in there by Capt. White, of the wrecked steamer Laurada, is to be brought down to be repaired and placed in commission to run to Cape Nome in the spring. Capt. White, with a crew to man the vessel is to sail on the steamer Portland, which will shortly sail from Dutch harbor with coal for the A. C. Co. at Dutch harbor.

when spoken to about the matter said

specified by them should be taken. They

wanted to start for Nome in May, but

A dispatch from Lima, Peru, says the British bark Indian Empire, which arrived at Callas from Fleetwood on Tuesclay last, took fire white in port, and anotwithstanding the efforts of the crew became a total loss, with the exception of the icon hulk. This was terred ashore near the mouth of the Rimes. The doss is about \$50,000

.Mr. Daykin, lightouse keeper at Carmarab, reports the finding of a quantity of wreckage on the beach, east of Bon-The Point, which looks as if it was from some small schooner. He also tells of the finding of the remains of a dort. painted white. The sterm is broken off. E. W. Frank, of Port Hughes, on the West Coast, came in on the Queen City general, the letter says: "The weather and Pedens recitation (comic), Mr. Percy on Saturday and is at the Queen's.

Man and Soldier-Interesting Career of the General Commanding the Kimberley Relief Column.

The man of the moment is Lieutenant-General Paul Lord Methuen, whose name is on every tongue, and whose gallant deeds should entitle him to take rank with our best fighting soldiers in the past.

perspicacity that he chose "Paul" Meth- ed, and failing active command, follow uen to command the columns advancing ed the shole of the proceedings mos to the relief of Kimberley. The operations contemplated called for a leader of taking in knowledge, no doubt, all the great dash and vigor, one who could be time. His selection to be one of the div trusted to move always ahead, practise isional generals in Buller's Army Corps a persistent offensive, and attack his gave very general enemy, wherever he found them. We must await the full details given by official dispatches and war correspondents before we can properly estimate the wisdom of Methuen's movements and dispositions, but the result has already shown plainly that they were efficacious. To many onlookers, even to experts. meritorious leadership will come nather as a surprise. Only now, when tested by actual conflict, and

Pitted Against a Sturdy Enemy undoubtedly well led, can the measure of Methuen's true soldierly quality be exactly gauged. He was generally known throughout the service to superiors and comrades anke as a good allround man of the world, sound in judgment, sober in conduct, with no external brilliancy, giving no outward sign of great or even more than moderate parts. He had been ever assiduous in mastering the glorious trade he followed; al ways unswervingly devoted to the profession of arms; eager to "learn his work" from the date of his first joining the Scots Guards thirty-six years ago, and snatching at every opportunity of improving himself. There is no better school for the zealous young officer who is bent upon going ahead than the Brigade of Guards; he is sure to be well grounded, to acquire thoroughly the and had few equals with singlestick or whole curriculum of ordinary soldiering: foil. the routine of drill and discipline is

taught him with

Great Pains and Thoroughness. It is no less to a man's credit than to his great advantage to have been a "Guard's adjutant," and Methyen obtained that much-coveted compliment within feur years of his joining the service. The battalion he was in is with him now in his arduous command, and he has never forgotten it-for a soldier's first regiment is like a man's first love and in the stirring speech he made his troops the other day he had a few affectionate words for his old battalion.

It was as adjutant that young Methuen first gained an insight into the mysteries of troop-leading, and he has always stood high in this respect. The adjutant is the drill instructor of his battalion, and he teaches himself as much as; if not more than, others. Methuen took to drill con amore, and soon became a great proficient in it. He had further openings for acquiring skill in manoeuvre, and on a much larger scale,

He Became First Brigade Major, and afterwards assistant adjutant gen eral of the Home District, a post that gave him constant employment in the marshalling and handling of men.

Methuen was for ever in the field as join in the northward rush to the gold a staff officer, or, when possible, as a diggings at Nome and Cape Fork this commander, losing no chance at volunyear. Strange boats were sent out dur teer reviews, when the gathering togethconsiderable numbers is in itself a parties set sail for the mines. Last year most useful education to those who lead the strangest freak that started for the them, and Methuen was always to be seen on Brighton Downs or Portsdown way; never reached their destination. Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, Stephenson, or Higginson-later on his own account as a brigadier or divisional gen-

There can be no doubt that the lessons he learnt in those days have borne aboundant fruit since, and that in his masterly manipulation of his forces at Belmont, Graspan, and Modder River on his horse and take his place in the he has put in practice before the enemy the lessons he learnt on peaceful home parades. He was fortunate, too, in Extending His Experience

being permitted to watch one of the most perfect of modern continental armies—the German—at work, and his three years spent as military attache at Berlin greatly enlarged his views as to the judicious handling of the three arms, a most essential qualification in the leader of

Methuen's friends were already legion He was recognized as an indefatigable worker, a man who could be trusted with any job requiring firmness and common sense. But there was no showiness about him, no swagger; he gave himself no airs. He was not supposed to be possessed of commanding ability; but he was, to use the homely phrase, "thorough good chap," and no one grudged him the good luck that came to him aimost as a matter of course. Whenever there was business doing Methuen was pretty sure to be provided

with a billet. He was, of course, eager accept any employment that offered, and he went as a special officer to Ashanti, where, at Amoaful, he received his baptism of fire. Ten years passed before he had a chance of seeing service again, but He Now Got His Foot Firmly

upon the ladder, for Sir Garnet Wolseley put him on his staff in the Tel-el Kebir campaign, and he filled the post of commandant at headquarters tuntil the end of the war and the

Another long wait, and he was put at the head of Methuen's Horse, in Sir Charles Warren's Bechuanaland force, and found himself in command of a curiously constituted corps, many of gentle birth and a little difficult to manage, but yielding loyal obedience to their gallant young leader, with his straight-forward honorable ways. Methuen's people did nothing much, perhaps, in that expedition, but he himself benefited by the familiarity he gained with the country through which he is now carryinig his victorious arms.

that he could not long remain idle. As he rose in rank chances of new command

e lewer, and after he vacated the Home District there was likely to be an interval unemployed, which he was free to fill up as he pleased. Active soldiering was his predilection, and he went at once to the only spot where he could see India. He made the campaign of the Tirah with Sir William Lockhart, rendering good and valuable aid as prescensor, work he had already performed in the earlier Egyptian campaign. After India again came more enforce. ideness. Methuen would have been glad enough to take part in last year's It says much for Sir Bedvers Buller's autumn manoeuvres, but was disappoint

> Satisfaction in the Service. The choice was felt to be judicious, but still, few foresaw that he would come out so strong, that he would make such good use of his opportunity, and humanly speaking, lay the foundation of enduring reputation.

> In the national interests, no less than for his own sake, it will be the devout wish of all that he may soon recover from his wound and esume his com-

Lord Methuen's personality is agreewhile and distinctive. In appearance he is, as in heart, a soldier every inch of him and he has many inches, for he stands over 6 feet, with a fine presence and a well-preserved, youthful figure. showing no signs of his fifty-four years of varied life. He has no doubt be come inured to fatigue and hardship by a constant cultivation of all manly exercises. He has ever been a keen sports man, a fine rider, and a first-class shot. In his early manhood he was inclined to the "fancy," and was noted for his skill in the noble art of self-defencematch for any one of his weight with the gloves, and quite ready to

.Use His Pists if Called Upon in a good cause. He was long one of the chief supporters of the Fencing Club,

When the bicycle came into general use he was one of its most strenuous admirers; he was famous for his long rides, which made him almost ubiquitous and a terror to careless subordin ates, for this was the time when he commanded the London district, and he had an uncomfortable custom of turning up in barracks or on a park parade least expected. Methuen was a bit of a martinet, in the best sense of the term, always bent on maintaining his Guards at the very tip top of efficiency, and unsparing in his demands upon their endurance in summer drills and winter marches.

It was this perpetual ad punctilious exercise of their military facilities that gave rise to the riddle which has been quoted more than once of late, and was invented about this time: the Guards like the early Christians?" "Because Paul persecuteth them." He did so to some purpose, nevertheless, and he did much to perfect the excellent systemethat now obtains in the brigade, and to keep up the high military tone. He has had his reward in leading his own beloved. Guards against an enemy

worthy of their steel. True politeness has been defined as an exquisite consideration for the feelings of others," and Lord Mothuen exhibits this to the full. He combines with the inherited charm of high-bred courtesy the utmost simplicity of man-There is not an ounce of "side" composition. He has no conceit he is no obstinate stickler for his own views, but is ever willing to yield deference to the opinions of others. His modesty is apparent in every line of his dispatches, which contain not a line about himself, although he was struck down in the midst of his last fight. He is a man of

Frugal Habits and Simple Tastes; content to live as his men do on the ordinary rations that are going, and to sleep on the open veldt ready to spring van.

It says much for the spirit of our aristocracy as seen in such noble natures as that of Paul Methuen. A peer of ancient lineage, the possessor of wide acres and a noble Elizabethan mansion (Corsham Court), enriched with one of the finest collections in England-splendid examples of the old mastershe yet elects to serve his country in a distant and arduous war .- Major Arthur Griffiths in the London Daily Mail, December 2nd.

SUDDEN DEATH.

A Well-Known City Grocer Drops Dead While on His Way Home.

F. F. Raitt, the well-known grocer of 80 North Park street, died very suddenly about 6 o'clock on Saturday evening while proceeding home in company with Mr. P. McTeigh. The only intimation his friend had that he was even indisposed was a few minutes previously when he had mentioned in a casual sort of way that he felt unwell. Mr. Raitt was a man apparently in the

best of health, right up to the time of his death. He was a native of Bathurst, New Brunswick, and when he first came to this province engaged for a time in ranching on the Fraser river. He sequently removed to this city, where manifested considerable interest in public, affairs, and was on several occasions a candidate for municipal office. It was understood that had he lived he would have been a candidate for office at the forthcoming municipal elections.

The body was removed to the morgue on Saturday night and this morning an inquest was held on the remains, the verdict of death from natural causes being returned. He leaves a wife but no family to mourn his loss.

Victoria & Sidney Railway C.

The general annual meeting of the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, De-It was characteristic of Lord Methuen pany, Hillside avenue, Victoria. cember 27th, at the office of the com-S. ROUNDING,

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How the Naval Brigade From the Powerful Saved the Day.

Failed in the Face of Overwhelming Numbers.

Ladysmith, Oct. 31. Last Friday we went out in force and camped in front of the enemy in a well-selected position slightly to the southeast of the town, When we prepared to attack the next morning the Boers had flown disappears ed with marvellous completeness under cover of darkness. Our men, returned to Ladysmith first thing Saturday, morn. ing disappointed at having been done out of the fight for which they were speak

A few hours later the Boens appeared on a high hill, practically dominating the town at a distance of about four miles from our camp, They were observed throwing up defences, and it became matter of general knowledge, that the enemy was getting into position the great, 40-pounder which created such alarm at Dundee.

The Boers proceeded with this work calmly under our eyes. Maybe Sir George White, finding how difficult it is to pin the slippery fellows down to any one spot, was under the impression that if he allowed them to get their pet gun in battery he might have a chance of striking at their main body when he attacked the position. How far the result justified him in any such belief must be left to individual appreciation after reading the history of what occurred at the battle fought outside the town ves-

We were told on Sunday night that the army was going out to capture this gun, familiarly known as "Oom Paul"

and "Long Tom." The first movement taken by forces was to send out a column under Col. Carleton, with Major Adye, D.A.A. G., a staff officer, to march by night up Bell's Spruit and seize Nicholson's Nek or some position in the vicinity, with the bject of turning the enemy's right flank. The column was composed of the 10th Iountain Battery, four and a half comanies of the Gloucesters, and six com-These troops left town at 10 o'clock on sunday night—the next day a few straglers wandered back into camp, all that emained to us of this flanking force.

Long Tom's Salute At three o'clock on Monday morning he main body marched out. I was in ny saddle at five o'clock prepared to ide out to the position taken up by our nain attacking force when the boom of rtillery announced that the action had ommenced. A few minittes later a shell rom the Boer 40-pounder shricked over he town and burst in the open beyond he railway station. This was an indicaion that the Boers meant a counter atack, so instead of riding out to join our olumn I proceeded on foot to a splendid

he town whence an excellent bird's eye iew of the scene of operations was obainable. Five shells pitched into Ladysmith rom "Long Tom" before we got a single oun in battery to work upon the hill and reate a welcome diversion. Even they he Boers—and it is not to their credit hat this should be so-kept the gun rained upon Ladysmith as in mighty lisdain of our battery, which was burstng shrapnel shell repeatedly over the orks that protected their monster. It was evident that the main body of he enemy was well to the right of the on which their big gun was mounted. So a column was sent out through the Helpmakear road with a view of

turning the enemy's left flank. Of course, we imagined at the time that the Gloucesters and Irish Fusiliers, were in a sufficiently strong position to keep a very large body of the enemy busy on our left. As our flanking party passed along the foot of Lombard's Kop they came under very heavy fire from the enemy, who showed himself in great force in the covered hills and kopjes due east

of Ladysmith. Our cavalry was driven back to cover. Under a terrific fire from the enemy's field and siege guns, which it was evident thus early had a longer range than most of our own pieces, the artillery got pluckily into battery. Their fire was so excellent that the Boer gunners were more than once driven from the guns by the persistent hail of shrapnel, but they were back again at their posts the in-stant our fire slackened. Unfortunately the enemy's position was so strong, and he had so many long-range guns posted in advantageous spots, that our artillery was continually under the necessity of manoeuvring for position at the

Another Shell in Ladysmith. 300 A few minutes prior to this Tong Tom," which had given the town an hour and a half's respite, dropped another shell into it, as a guarantee of good faith and to show that hot as was the rain of shrapael which car artillery had dropped over the battery on the hill, the erman gunners did not mind taking another turn at the thing

Two indications that we had embarked upon a heavy task in going out to meet the Boers were forthcoming at just about the same moment that this shell burst in Ladysmith. On our extreme left a patrol of the 19th Hussers was driven in with a riderless horse leading the way. The Boers came in Bot pu suit to within 600 yards of our outworks "Tommy" lined the hills immediately over the town, prepared to give the audacious raiders a bad five minutes, but they knew better than to show them-

selves round the hill. On our extreme right the Lancers were chased back in equally hot haste. A the range of a third piece, which the white hunters and the other two vessels battery of artillery, a few companies, Naval Brigade were putting into action, will carry Indian hunters. The Sadie

the 5th Lancer had got into an awk- tof off without any ceremony. However, ward fix out there. Believing that they with the Powerful's fourth shot Long were well beyond the enemy's extreme Lombard's Kop on a somewhat exposed raige. They had barely unlimbered their guns before they encountered a terrific fusilade from a higher elevation than we mortals could a strong party of Boers who stretched attain, signalled down that the 40-poundaway beyond Bulwana Hill.

It was a close touch for the cannon. The gunners pluckily dragged them out of action with ropes; it was too dangerous to attempt to bring the horses on the ridge. Sticking to their work with a transport wagons, ammunition wagons, tenacity worthy of British soldiers, the artillerymen-belonging to one of the An Outflanking Movement Which batteries from Dundee pulled their guns drawn by two bullocks a solid jamb out of a fearfully tight corner and saved them from falling into the enemy". handare arte wire

· Until these successive incidents occurred I thought both our fank movements were turning out in the best possible minner. 1970, stable for any many The King's Royal Rides and the Leicesters were engaging the enemy splend-idly in the clumps immediately to the east of the town, they certainly appeared to be driving him back northwards on the position surrounded by "Long Tom In fact it looked like a repetition of Elandslangte. The Gordons were push ed forward, apparently to support the Leicesters and King's Royal Rifles. The

Manchesters, too, were in the fun on our right." It was now about half past nine. The battle had lasted without a lull for four hours and a half.

Nicholson's Nek Disastered but Suddenly a terrific musketry fire on our left announced that the Gloucesters and Irish Fusiliers were having a ho time in the position they had occupied during the night for the purpose of holding the enemy's right in check. Two mountain guns were carried by mules into action at the top of the hill immediately in front of me. Strange reports of the mule stampede at night and the loss of the mountain guns were already whispered in bated breath. The appearance of these two pieces on the scene of battle gave us confidence, and we be lieved that the rumors of in-luck which had attended the column were unfound

For the next hour and a half the two guns—the only ones. It turned out, that remained in our hands out of six pounded away at the Boers on our left. But they were not strong enough to avert disaster in that direction. By noon the column which we had sent the previous night to hold the enemy's right had in ts turn been outflanked, a heavy total of killed and wounded had been piled up on the hill they occupied, and upwards of eight hundred of our soldiers were prisoners in the Boer's hands. It was not until long after the battle had ended that the news of this disaster was

officially announced bourse with All the interest seemed to centre in the other extreme. The balloon was moved in that direction. Our artillery, which had been shifted and shunted about enough to worry the very hearts out of the gunners, seemed to be engaged in a chasse-crosse for positions At one moment I noticed a battery be ing hurried along the Helpmanaar road to support our right flank at the foot of Lombard's Kop, simultaneously with the withdrawal of half a battery from our forces at that point. They crossed each

other on the road. But the true seriousness of the position was apparent when balls of smoke, indicating the bursting of our shrapnel were seen over a dip between Lombard's osition about a mile and a half from Kop and Bulwana Hill. If this meant that the enemy was there, it meant that our turning movement was outflanked. my nightcap." The Boers were numerically too strong for us. Experts say they had 22,000 men engaged. At the very spot where an hour ago we believed that we had becomed them in and only required to drive them back upon their hill to get them in the bulk, we were now in danger of being hemmed in between cross

The Fight Grows Hotter. The moment this was realized the fight became hotter than it had been at any time during the morning. Just about this time, when things looked most desperate, one of our field batteries found the range, of "Long Tom" to perfection. Shell after shell burst over it, yet the wretched would not be quiet. It is thought that it may be sunk into a pit to protect from direct shots, and that a strong overhead covering shields the gunners from the dropping shrapnel. Be this as it may, the gun defied all our efforts to

The Boers, although they had practically evacuated their main position held a whole line of hills to the eastward. To have turned them out would have necessitated the storming of a half dozen ridges at least. We had not the men to do it. And we should have been obliged to fall back to town as soon as the task was accomplished." was nothing to gain by not recognizing the situation and facing it. We were outnumbered; and 'our' own turning movement was successfully turned by an enemy who moved behind these hills with incredible rapidity.

A retirement of our forces was imper-Under such cover as our artillery fire could afford the troops were slowly with-drawn to It was like Reitfortein, the moment we commenced to give ground the Boers took courage not that they have lacked it for some instantemend current all their available guns on the plain which divided our men from our contworks. "Tommy" goes forward without ching; "Tommy" went back superbly indifferent to the heavy fire that was slung after him. The Leicesters and King's Royal Rifles, who had borne the brunt of the infantry attack, came out of cover in close formation. Shell af-

ter shell burst before and behind them. Bravo! The Naval Brigade. Now, here were two little things that pieces on the recks. could have been scarcely visible from four miles distance dropping shells around the cumbersome brute that would not be silenced. But they were visible. Before we knew it the Boers had found

Tom's" uplifted muzzle shifted angle. With the eighth a second trans-

er was out of action. 77 It was now a quarter to one. I took another look up the Newcastle road and along the Helpmakaar road. On both sides interminable stretches of big vellow Red Cross vans drawn by eight mules, little green Red Cross carts making its toilful way, back into the

town. The strange lull that follows battlefor it is a strange full was succeeded by the crack of the termsters' whip, the oaths of native drivers in languages tha one doesn't understand the clatter of the cavalry, the rumbling of the guns, and the sullen march of the infantry, all making for the camp in search of a wellearned rest and a grumble.-E.W.S. in the London Morning Leader.

***************** Mong the Waterfront **************

When Mr. F. Dimick, auditor of the Seattle SS. Co., and newly appointed sectorary of the Alaska. Steamship Co.'s Association, was on his way home to the Sound by the steamer Umatilla in company with Mr. Chas. Stewart, of Dodwell & Co., from the meeting of the association held here on Thursday night, was robbed of over \$4,000 in cash notes and other papers, endorsed in blank. The notes are worth \$1,800, and the cash amounted to \$2,200, which was the cash amounted to \$2,200, which was in a posterbook. The Seattle men board, and the stateroom and retired early. Some time in the night they were awakened, by somebody opening the door, which was not looked. A head was poked in and Mr. Stewart asked what was wonger the bead presented that The owner of the head pretended that he was intoxicated and withdrew. Not ther Mr. Dimick nor Mr. Stewart thought anything of this and they fell askep again. When the former awake in the morning he felt under his pillow for his vest. It was not there. He arose hastiry and struck a light. The vest was on the floor. An examination showed that his pocketbook had been taken; his fine gold watch was also missing. Then Mr. Dimick searched his tropsers. All the money in the right hand pocket was sing, but that in the left band pocket had not been disturbed. A ten-dolle gold piece in the pocket which contained the watch had also been overlooked. Mr. Stowart lost some cash.

On the arrival of the Sound steamer few days ago the customs officer noticed one of the firemen coming ashore a buildle under his arm, and, being a watchful servant of Her Mulesty's cus toms, he stopped the fireman, and asked what he had in the parcel. The man of coal sa the parcel contained some dirty clothes, his washing in fact. The ever to satisfy himself that there was no contraband in the bundle, and asked the dirty shirts, some greasy, oil-stained jeans and sundry other articles of wearing apparel were exposed to view, and, rolled up in one of the shirts was a bottle of whiskey. "Ha! ha!" said the customs man, "What is this?" The tireman thought aminute, and then, with a suc-

R.M.S. Warrimoo will sail for Honolalu, and Australian ports late to-night. Among those booked from here areast. Hawaii to recoup his health, and ingidentally to look into the doing of more business with the islands. Miss A. Wildiams is also going on a trip to the islands, Other passengers are John Marks, W. B. Jones, A. W. Hume, L. R. Crampton, C. E. Featherstone, B. brich, P. B. May, S. T. Webster, O. M. Harkness, G. P. Brosius and G. Darren. The steamer will load 4,000 cases of salmon at the outer wharf. She will be filled to the hatches when she sails, a heavy cargo of overland freight having loaded at Vancouver.

Steamer Queen City arrived from the West Coast at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday after a good trip. Those who arrived by silence it, while the capture that we her were C. Frank, H. Burnett, A. Eng-Capt. McKiel, G. A. Huff, F. T. Child. J. Baird, F. Murton, A. Vandon and E. A. Fby. Schooner Vera was spoken going into Clayoquot. The steamer will sail again on Wednesday. She goes on the long trip this time, as far north as Cape Scott. The steamer brought down \$39.10 for the Mansion House fund, sub-

scribed by the residents of the coast. Representative Payne, of New York, has introduced a subsidy bill in the House granting 11c per ton per 100 miles up to 1,500 miles, inward and outward to American vessels in foreign trade, foreign built vessels, to receive 50 per cent. of the amount over 1,500 miles, le per 100 miles is the rate. A graduated subsidy will be granted vessels of 15 knots speed and upward. amount of subsidy is to be \$9,000,000

sides now in force. Tongass narrows lately, and says sevled. This vessel had a load of machinery for Doll Head, and while lying at Ketchikan she broke from her moorings and dragged her anchor all over the narrows, barely missing going to

Before nightfall three more of the sealing fleet will said, the Geneva, Capt. W. D. Byers; Triumph, Capt. Will Cox, and the Penelope, Capt. D. G. Macauley. The Geneva will carry a crew of 27 I think it was, of the Marchesters, and and knocked one of the wheels of Jack's Turpet will sail to-morrow morning.

Opposition

Reception at Victoria Theatre

He Tells of His Efforts to Keep the Liberal Government straight.

One of the smallest audiences which ever greeted a prominent political leader, was that which faced Sir Charles Tupper, the leader of the Conservative party in Canada, upon the occasion of his opera; house address on Saturday night. The smallness of the company was only sequalled by its frigidity, for was only equalled by its frigidity, for

mineral lead in the country rock was the eternal vigilance which the modest old knight is forced to exercise in keeping the machinery of justice from breaking down under the dire management of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his ministry, "In-stance after instance was quoted by Sir administration the skein of public policy, and of international and imperial diplomacy, got into a hopeless tangle

The address generally was marked by The address generally was marked by an absence of the vehemence and prodigal employment of adjectives and expletives, which are generally associated with the stump speeches of the leader of the Canadian opposition. It has been unkindly suggested that the management purposely reduced the atmosphere to the zero point in order to counteract the heat which the haronet usually engenders, but again that may have been purely accidental.

When the curtain rose at 8:15 several of the loxes were occupied by addes, while the body of the theatre was fairly well filled. Two rows in the balony were also comfortably filled, the remainder of the building being characterized by

den inspiration, came the reply, "That's

Seabrook, vice-president of the firm of their confidence in the justice, of the B. P. Rithet & Co., who is going to cause for which our soldiers are now Hawaii to recoup his health, and ingi-fighting in South Africa, and of their lovalty to their Queen and country; and we hereby pledge our support to the Crown in any way that may be necessary to secure the triumph of British arms and the maintenative of freedom

neglecting Victoria's interests in the matter of Victoria harbor. Sir Charles Tupper, who was received with the playing of "Hail to the Chief" by the orchestra and with applause from the audience, referred to the presence of the ladies, to whom he believed Sir John Macdonald had favored extending the franchise. The speaker thought that the extension of the franchise to women might, however, give them an undue

speaker made a flattening allusion to while in opposition. He admitted that the country was adnotone attached more importance to that yapping by leaps and bounds, but it is then than himself of the also alluded to Total speaker made a flattering allusion to yearly. Excess to be deducted from sub- no one attached more importance to that his daction in othe Housen by Commons, A letter received from Ketchikan tells when the subject of a Canadian conof unusually severe storms which have tingent was brought up by Col. Hughes raged there, and in Mibank sound and and when the action of Queensland was cited as a precedent for action by Can eral vessels, particularly the steam ada. When a cablegram had been re-schooner Sea Light, were roughly hand-ceived from London stating that anx iety was felt in England for some expression from Canada, the speaker had crossed the floor of the House and urged upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier a tender of Canadian troops, a suggestion which was out every vesting of protection, while Sir afterwards acted upon by the Premier. Wilfield Laurted had said at Winnipeg Later, when speaking in the Maritime cated the imminent outbreak of hostili-

troops to the Mother and. Later he had night that a reduction of 25 per marked with deep regret an interview. Fortish imports, would result in Brack accorded to the Toronto Gobe in which the Premier had made the statement that he had no power to send troops.

Reference followed to his telegram to serve the average majority had been strewing than of the strewing than of the strewing the average majority had been strewing the average majority had been strewing the offer of one of the speaker's friends to since their advent it had fallen to \$32. effect insurance on such a contingent of Sir Charles Tupper Has a Chilly \$1,000,000. This did not seem to produce any effect upon the first minister, and it was not until the Premier had found the country a unit in regard to the matter that he faully succumbed, and did the thing which he himself had said he had not the power to do namely. send a Canadian contingent. But even then Sir Charles's good offices seemed recessary, for that gentleman had to set him right once more and thisisted upon

even the most impassioned appeal of the veteran baronet failed to evoke more than a hard-hearited cheen. The spenker had taken \$2,000,000 the speaker had made it a quinte in his struggled along manfully in the face of the subject the speaker had made it a quinte in his speaker had made it a quinte in his speaker had made it a quinte in his speaker had made it a quinte in the speaker had a quinte in the speaker had made it a quinte in had inserted in it a clause declaring that

people of Quebuc approved of Tame's acony class in the Duninion of Canada He challenged the Premier's singles-tion of a fedication of sittions atothe Jubileev No spatible Dibesal would consent to an drangement whereby all the Charles in which he was obliged to ad-vise the first minister, and even to be of discharged at London, 13,000 miles "more loy'd than the Queen." Certainly the only inference which could be drawn from his remarks on Saturday pight was that where through any oversight, he falled to instruct and generally coach the sible for the maintenance of army, navy and all the machinery of Imperial gov

emment.

Mr. Tarte had insisted that there should be no taked on without representation, a thoroughly British principle. But there was no people in the world who enjoyed a larger measure of self government, then the people of Canada, and while not a dollar of axation could be imposed by the Mother Country, yet Canadian could gleep at night, knowing that life and property were safe and that no feeeign feeboould plage a foot upon her soil, knowing that they were becall this direction without representation was utterly home interested and at variance with the feet Equilibration was utterly home interested and at variance with the feet Equilibration of the first the fi

The speaker, not withstanding, believed Englishmen who were not fluent in the that when the House met Sir Wilfrid tail," or languige, were puzzled to me the taurier would open partiament with a speach from the thome met to defray all the expenses involved in the dispetch of Caracham the dispetch of Caracham tail that particular thing the dispetch of Caracham tail that particular things and the expenses involved in the dispetch of Caracham tail that particular things are the tail that particular the tail that particular things are the tail that particular things are the tail that the tail that the tail that particular things are the tail that the tail tha and equal rights in all portions of the in the dispatch of Canadian troops.

Then Sir Charles Tupper thanked the audience for sending Messrs, Prior and borrook," or something of "lab-borwook," or something equally gruesome, singing of the National Anthem, and cheers for the Once. cheers for the Queen.

Col. Prior followed, and although suffering from a severe cold, went into statistics to prove that the Likeral party had increased rather than decreased the expenditure during their regime. The the professions of the professions of the can't ride for sour apples!"

Liberal party was also charged with in the liberal party was also charged with the liberal party was also charged with in the liberal party was also charged with the liberal party was also was also charged with the liberal party was also w

Liberal party was also charged with in-consistency in the matter of railway sub-sides, the speaker claiming that they had granted \$10,000,000, a sum twice as the Conservatives, and the country had untravelled colonial—you must say profiten went out to effect was now quite liope- vick, O. C. Matherson, J. J. McKay, C. large as that given by the Conservative done the same and swept the Liberals and with emphasis, "I'll watch it:" A. Karman, Geo. Brown, T. Stackholm. party. The Drummond County matter out of power, Since 1896 the Conservaand the Grand Trunk subsidy were also tives had again had an opportunity of touched upon. Coming to local matters contracting the ages of the Liberals, and leges that So-and-so has been doing a he charged the Liberal government with those of the Conservative party for eighteen years previously. He accused the government upon a re-

cord of promises made in opposition and broken in power, He had challenged the government with the redemption of one of their ante disction pledges. The Blake letter of 1891 was cited as a proof of the predictions of the Conservatives that the adoption of the Lib-ral party would ruin the country. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had ridiculed this claim of the Conservatives. If they had failed share of power, as they ealready possessed a considerable portion of influence. (Laughter.)

Referring first of all to the dispatch of Canadian troops to South Africa, the consequence of pursuing a policy such as they had advocated for eighteen years

their predecessors. Their Caimed reduction of 25 pencent. on English goods was a preferce, for they had previously added to that taniff.

At the convention of 1893, the Liberal party had drawn a sharp line of demarcation between the trade policies of the Liberals and Conservatives, as tree trade and protection. Sir Louis Davies had said that the next election would be a battle on these issues. He had added that if returned the Liberals would root Later, when speaking in the Maritime that the government which took out a Provinces, when telegraphic news indiprotection was as bad as the highway ties he had submitted a projection to the man who putry histo to the traveller's meeting which he was addressing, pleds ing the support of the Conservatives life. Yet the Liberal government had present to the government in any step they might take in offering Canadian He also ridiculed Sir Wilfrid's state-

000,000.

A satirical reference to the attempt of the Liberary to secure reciprocity with the United States followed, the speaker subsequently, caming that imports from the United States had largely increased during Liberal regime: " . 1116

The speaker ascribed Canada's abound ing prosperity to the great production of gold which the London Economics had stated had increased by £20,000,000 intwo years. 7

Preferential trade was next touched une the detadiment going as a distinctive The proposal had been made that Eng land threat her colonies in regard to trade in the same way in which France, Germany and other had some treated their 49 onial possesions/ The difficulty in the War. with the onest, favored matical of aways in the Garman and Re gian marties. The imposition of 18 small aduty in Britain against to her mations autistic then cotonies would lead to murvellous adjusted opment of the trade of these colonies, Lord election : platform, manden Siril Worrid Laurier secting the hold it had daken on o'clock, when he gave up the task as a hopeless one and resumed his seat.

The subject matter of the address was the neoding the contingent could not be instanced to London to go into the matter of interthe inconsistency of the Liberal party.

The speaker would not admit that the wife of parliaments.

The speaker would not admit that the wast to London at the time of the Profiles while diopping out at intervals like a Roman Catholite and French Canadian in had spurned the project and stated his had spurned the project, and stated that Canada quented nothing intererin for his preferential terriff of 25 per cent The abrogation of the Belgian and German treaties had in consequence been of no more effect than to shit Camada out of the markets of those countries." He had set back the accomplishment of that policy for many years.

The promise of the Libert's to root

out every vestige of protection had been carried out by a reduction of seventy-one hundredness of one per cept in the taniff.

A reference was also made to the ex-penditure, the speaker claiming that while was only \$42,000,000 in 1896 it had mounted to \$60,000 on 1899.

"Hom. Edgar Dewoney, submitted a vote of thanks to the speaker, which was carried, and the meeting broke up with the usual cheers.

WORDS TOMMS WILL HEAR Queer Colloquialisms. Everybody Offices, in the Transvaal.

Although born of English parents, the neath the flag that had braved a thous- juvenile colonial or Transvaller mixes There need be do tak of takation or of ren and Dutch speaking il darive bervance representation because the government Hence, as he will be to the government of Canada took of its own free will money out of the treasury to send its sorts to the denote of the Empire. To study on the part of the newsperived Briton in order to and require some was utterly hondensieal and at variance of his vocabulary and require some was utterly hondensieal and at variance of his vocabulary and require some study on the part of the newsperived Briton in order to anderstand their true significance.

Robertson and seconded by Mr., George Jeves: missing the first detachment of the departure of the first detachment of thoose in which the statement was made that colony would always be ready to that colony would always be ready to that colony would always be ready to their confidence in their justice, of the detachment. Mr. Taute's action, in the speaker's opinion, warrant cause for which our soldiers are now fighting in South Africa, and of their took place in a big ward over Hospital hill.

If a man is absolutely averse to doing any and if he has been swindled he alshot" on him.

GAMBLING AMONG WOMEN Is gambling among women on the increase? One of the most thrilling scenes in the new Drury Lane drama is said to be the truthful presentment of a game at baccarat in a fine lady's drawing room, and we know that the stage holds the mirror up to nature. Certain it is that six-penny whist in fashionable circles is out of date, and that bridge and poker lead to a vast amount of high poker lead to a vast amount of high wagering. People sit down regularly to wagering. People at down regularly to cards now in the afternoon in country-houses, and, in some lax establishments play rose on eyed on Sunday, an infraction of old established habits.

Vomen, speculate, too, a good deal, and wager freely on horse-racing. These and various other facts point to a return of the gambling and card parties which prevailed at the end of the last century. me women play well, cautiously, and with dash, but many are carried away with excitement and fear, and would soon, if permitted, lose their entire for-

To be a good gambler requires distinct qualities—coolness of head intelligence, and a capacious and unerring memory. It is for this reason that statesmen and diplomats so often make excellent cardplayers.—Lady Violet Greville

Graphic. Rev THE CENTURY FUND.

(Associated Press.) Foronto, Dec. 18. The Metropolitan church (Methodist) contributed over \$50,000 to the century fund last evening. The amount exceeds what was expected.

DEATH OF E. J. GRAY

A Well Known Victorian Killed by a Flying Board in a Bennett Mill.

The sad news reached the city last night of the death at Bernett on the 29th of November of Mr. E. J. Gray, who went North to superintend work for the B. L. & K. Co. Mr. Gray was killed 100 people were turned away. The proinstantly in the Partridge mill on the

The particulars are given in a letter to Mr. Noah Shakespeare received this morning, which is self explanatory. It

The writer savs: "Mr. E. J. Gray, who has been in charge of my mill in this neighborhood Lake & Klondike Navigation Com- ly \$900. Subscriptions close on the last pany last month, has frequently menindebted for many kindnesses and as least \$1,200. knowing himself and family well.

"This must be my excuse for asking you to undertake a very painful task. "It is with the deepest regret that I have to communicate to his friends the sad news of poor Gray's instantaneous death from an accident in the mill yesterday morning (November 29th). A rough board was caught by the saw and whirled backward with terrific force, striking Mr. Gray, who was sawing, full on the temple, and killing him instantly, There was absolutely no hope of life, and though everything that could possibly be done was attempted, it was soon seen to be in vain.

I came down here by small boat last night to summon the coroner from Tagish police post and as soon as the inquest is concluded will take his body to Skagway from where-if no contrary instructions should come from Victoria-I will forward it to Victoria."

After asking Mr. Shakespeare to break the sad news to his family the writer says: "I can only add that he commanded the liking and respect of everyone here and sorrow at his death is univer-

Mr. Partridge also says that he lived and died not only a professing but an acting Christian; that he constantly endeavored to check profanity and unbelief among the men, and that he assisted in the little Sabbath observances which his employer and wife instituted.

The deceased was born in London Eng., and came with his parents, at an early age to Chicago. The family afterwards went to California and later terwards went to California and later terwards went to California and later termands. However, the content of the conte uel Gray, who conducted a mill at the corner of Government and Discovery streets. Last spring Mr. Gray went up to Athn to fit up a boat for Capt, Irv ing, afterwards going to Mr. Partridge's

He was for many years superintend-

to mourn his death. He was about 40 years old. The remains will come down Caryl Stubbs (millionaire) Mr. Knox ployment of alien labor in this province on the Danube, which is due here on Tuesday.

MORE STREET WORK. The Council Orders Some Long Asked-For Improvements.

met in committee last evening to decide upon the best way in which to expend

The total amount to be expended appeared to be \$1,573, and of this \$230 will be expended for the benefit of the people of the western suburb; \$210 going for the purpose of erecting the much thoroughfore and \$20 for the repair of the sidewalk on the nonth side of Craigflower road.

Following recommendations of city engineer were adopted: Drainage of the McTavish property, applied for by Hon, J. S. Helmcken, M. D., on November 20th, at an estimated cost of \$180.

on south side of Cadboro Bay road, between Pemberton road and Charles street, as applied for November

Sidewalk on east side of Oswego street,

plied for November 20th, \$112. street, between Kingston and Michigan, through, as applied for November 20th, \$100. Improvement of the easterly portion of David street, as applied for Dr. F. W. Hall, November 20th, \$100.

Drain through Lydia and Howard streets, \$85. Sidewalk on Springfield avenue, west side, between the new and the old Esquimalt roads, as applied for November

Sidewalk on Churchway, south side, from Humboldt street easterly, as applied for December 11th, \$65. Blasting rock and laying gravel walk in place of steps, North Pembroke street,

as applied for by W. Emery, December 4th, \$60. Improvement of Foul Bay road, as applied for by Thomas Shotbolt, on De-

cember 4th, \$55. Sidewalk on Dundein street, north side, from Sumas street easterly, as ap-plied for December 4th, \$55, Sidewalk on Johnson street, north side, from Camosen street westerly, as

Box drain on Milne street, north side as applied for November 20th, \$50. Sidewalk on Milne street, south side, ers applied for November 20th, \$30. Improvement of southerly portion Catherine street, as applied for by Dr. L. Hall, November 27th, \$25.

applied for November 20th, \$52.

A BIG UNDERTAKING.

Proposal to Conmect Spain and Morocco by a Tunnel Under the Straits of Gibraltar.

New York, Dec. 15 .- A Paris corresponderit cables that M. Jean Berlier, a famous civil engineer, has published his studies relating to the projecting tunnelinc of the stmits of Gibraltar, thus connerting Spain and Morocco. He estimates the cost at \$24,000,000.

PATRIOTIC CONCERTS At Nanaimo and Duncans in Aid of the Mansion House Fund. (Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, B.C., Dec. 15.-A concert was given in the opera house last evening for the benefit of the Mansion House fund, which netted over \$400. The house was crowded to the doors and over gramme was an excellent one and the concert will be repeated on Saturday

banks and the New Vancouver Coal Company's offices, and with minor collections to be heard from it is safe to since he left the service of the Bennett say that the fund now amounts to nearday of the month and Nanaimo's contioned your name as one to whom he was tribution to Tommy Atkins will be at

Duncans.

Duncans, Dec. 14.-The concert in aide of the Mansion House fund held here last night was even more successful than its promoters had hoped or expected. The Agricultural Hall was crowded to the doors and many were unable to obtain admittance before the hour an-

nounced for the opening.

• W. R. Robertson, M.P.P., took the chair punctually at 8 o'clock and opened with a short and pithy address on the object of the meeting. He advised those at the doorway to take up all the availstanding room, and the audience already seated promptly enlarged the amount of standing room by crowding their chairs up to the front. The programme was long, but the average quality very high, and the audience seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly for over three hours. Supper and a social dance

wound up the festivities. The committee deserve much credit for the result, especially the secretary, Mr. J. Norcross. The Quamichan hotel lent the piano and the ladies' committee

furnished the supper.
The concert realized \$179.25, to which will be added the church collections, \$65.75, and the South Cowichan subscription of \$60. Other items will make the total in this district to about

The programme was as follows: Chairman's Address

Reading-The Absent-Minded Beggar. .

Miss and Mr. Norcross Song-Death of Nelson. Rev. Mr. Osborne. ent of the Centennial church Sunday Farce Duchess of Bayswater and Co. school and a prominent worker in church Sir Jeremy Joles E. C. Musgrave. He leaves a widow and five children Duke of Bayswater 8. A. Roberts. Kathleen (Sir Jeremy's daughter) Miss L. Jaynes

Pianoforte duet .. Mrs. U. and Master Kier Song-The Boer Fifth H. Williams. Song-The Soldiers of the Queen..... Song—The Empress of the Sea. R. Allen.
Song—The Girl I Left Behind Me....

Wh. Pooley.
On the evening of Monday, December
11th, the ceremony was performed at

A writer in the Ontlook gives an interesting sketch of Gen. Plet Joubert, who, I utch canvas. Dutch or Cape Dutch was his native language; and the French blood tenday she took 2,000 cases down, and In the veins of Piet Joubert, commandantgeneral of the South African Republic, has long ceased to influence the character or appearance of himself and those other the Westminster-Vancouver road reportcame out of much tribulation in France into Holland, and thence to the Dutch col- ed on Wednesday night, and 49 birds ony. He is about 65 years old, and he stolen. Extension of drain on Stanley avenue, colony. Huge frame, now slightly distend with his steamer Courser, from Harrias applied for by G. C. Mesher, Decem- ed; small, glittering, and eminently son River, where he has just finished Sidewalk on east side of Oswego street, between Simcoe and Michigan, as apart and base of a hirsute triangle—on these Landing, near Chilliwack. The plant for the great world the curtain had not consisted of a locomotive, steam shovel.

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Provincial News. *****************

REVELSTOKE.

Dan Robinson has increased the force of men at work on the new Illecillewaet road to twen y, and expects to get that section on this side of the bridge about completed by the and of the week. After drill on Monday night, at which there were 31 on parade, Captain Taylor held a meeting of the rifle company Nanaimo will roll up a handsome sum to take steps to get up an entertainment is dated Cariboo Crossing, November of money for the Mansion House fund. for the benefit of the patriotic fund tor 30th, and is signed by Otto Partridge. Over \$400 has been subscribed at the the widows and orphans of the soldiers fighting in South Africa. A committee of 12 was selected to made arrangements | the city from the north. He may posfor the entertainment. MOYIE,

On Tuesday night James Wilks, district organizer of the Western Federation of Miners, organized a union at Moyie, in East Kootenay, with 71 members to start with. The following officers were elected: President, M. L. Hollister; vice-president, William Mills; financial secretary, Alex. J. Chisholm; corresponding secretary, W. R. Hocking; treasurer, Donald E. McDonald; conductor, Harry Dimmick; warden, W. H. Darby; delegates to district assotien, William Mills and David J. El-

SLOCAN CITY.

The finishing touches are being put on the Wakefield concentrator building. Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor celebrated their china wedding last Friday. Lumber has arrived for the erection of a new set of buildings at the Galena

Larry Doolan has resigned the chief of policeship of Sandon, to accept a responsible position with the Kootenay Railway & Navigation Co. Rev. J. A. Cleland and family left Sundon on Saturday for their new home in Eugene, Ore. They were the recipients of many handsome presents.

VERNON. Rev. E. Robson reached home last week from a trip of several weeks' duration to Vancouver, whither he was summoned on account of the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. Monck, of that

Over eighteen thousand dollars has already been expended this season in Vernon and vicinity by one purchaser of beef and hogs for the Kootenay markets. Dr. O. Morris was summoned to Keremeos last week to hold an inquest upon the body of a dead Indian, A post-Song—Private Tomms Atkins. Mrs. Mellin
Duet—After the Frayor.

that anything approaching to foul play had occurred, there being no marks of riolence upon the body, and the evidence address the private responsibility. adduced showed that the Siwash was drawned in the river some two months ago, while in a state of intoxication.

Mr. R. C. Clute, Q.C., of Toronto, who was recently appointed by the Domin-Duchess of Bayswater A. Hedwen ion government to enquire into the emin response to a request from the Sandon Miners' Union, and whose commission ly to obtain evidence under oath upon which to base his report.

the Methodist parsonage making Raber Song-Rat Tat Tat ... Mrs. A. G. Dunne. Young and Eliza A. Trembath husband the amount of unappropriated money at the amount of unappropriated money at their disposal. The absentees were Ald.

Chorus—Rule Britannia.......Glee Club Green's Creek, Ontario, and has resided ment C. A., a fixture which has come to at Nelson for three years rest. The egarded as one of the events of the at Nelson for three years past. The bride is a native of Mathlels, Cornwall, season. In point of attendance, and per A PAINLESS METHOD OF TREATMENT
The knife and plaster are not now necessary in order to cure these diseases. If you are interested send your address to STOTT & JURY, Box 9, Bowmanville, Ont. England, having resided in Iron Moun-

NEW WESTMINSTER .The steamer Transfer is engaged at

says, might have stepped from an old present lightering salmon to the ships loading for England at Steveston. Yesbrought up 800 cases which are going via the Canadian Pacific railway. Parties living near the Royal Oak on

descendants of the old Huguenots who ed to the provincial police on Thursday morning that their fowl house was naid-

was born, like Oom Paul, in the old | Capt. Cooper returned on Wednesday "pawky" eyes; beard dark and gray in his contract of moving a steam railway Sidewalk on west side of Oswego risen before the '70s were half-way 61 miles of rails and all necessary tackle, The contract, which involved some heavy work, took about a month's time to complete. The apparatus will be used to dyke the Chilliwack Valley, and save it from all future inundation.

NELSON.

Mayor Neelands, Ald. Beer, City Clerk Strachan, Assistant City Clerk Wasson, and W. J. Thompson, chief of the fire department, waited upon Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jarvis on Wednesday night, and on behalf of the members of the City Council and civic employees presented Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis with a handsome dinner service and a substantial check. The corner stone of the Nelson Coke & Gas Company's extensive buildings was laid on Wednesday afternoon. The

lowed were felicitous. At a meeting of the members of the fire department on Wednesday evening the tender of the Dominion Guarantee and Accident Insurance Company to insure the members of the department against accident or illness was accepted, and policies to cover the sixteen members of the department will be written. The policies will provide a weekly payment of \$10 in case of illness or acci-

dent, and a death benefit of \$1,000. Mr. R. C. Clute, Q.C., the special commissioner appointed by the Dominion government to enquire into the labor troubles of the Kootenays, arrived in town on Tuesday night. Mr. Clute opened his first court under his present commission in Sandon last week, and was kept fairly busy until Saturday last, having a session every day. He examined some 50 witnesses and among these were mine owners as well as miners. The alien labor law formed the bone of contention, but the commissioner explained

that the countries whose labor laws did not co-operate with those of Canada would have to be discriminated against. There were several American citizens examined, but their evidence went to show that they did not come to British Columbia under contract. It was not proven that Italians had been imported under the contract system as was rumored. Mr. Clute expressed his opinion that the labor troubles in this country were to be regretted, and hoped that his efforts would tend in this direction. He has a stenographer with him, and all the evidence will be duly submitted to parliament.-Nelson Miner.

VANCOUVER. Mr. White-Fraser, of Ottawa, who

was for several months engaged in a survey in the Atlin country, has arrived in sibly return again in the spring to complete the work of determining the boundary lines of the north of British Colum-Two young men were badly cut up in

scuffle on Wednesday night near the corner of Cambie and Water streets. Both used knives, and for a few minutes blood flowed in a way that looked like damage to some one.

The steamer Coquitlam came in on! Thursday night with about 30 miners and loggers from up the coast, who have come down to spend the holidays.

A letter has been received by the secretary of the Trades and Labor Council from Mr. William Woodman, Nanaimo, asking if the Council will take part in a meeting to be held in one of the principal coast cities, each city to send a deputation, for the purpose of consider-ing the best means to adopt to prevent the provincial sources of wealth being operated by underpaid and overworked labor. The convention has, since the receipt of the letter, been arranged to take

place in Vancouver on December 21st. The application of Mr. D. G. Macdonell, on behalf of the Pacific Coast Lumher Company, for foreshore privileges on the Coal harbor front, came up on Thursday afternoon at the board or works. A letter accompanied the application from Mr. F. Gourdeau, deputy minister of marine, asking what the city had to say in regard to the granting of the foreshore. It was stated in the letter of Mr. Macdonell that the company wanted to build a large mill there, it having secured property just opposite Deadman's island, at the foct of Cardero street. After a short discussion it was decided that the clerk should reply to the letter of the deputy minister that no action had been taken, as the plans of the property had not yet been re-

ceived. Der Sing blew out the gas in a Uninese boarding house Wednesday night and was asphyxiated.

Jose Perer, a Spaniard by nativity, a fisherman who has been on this coast some time, died on Monday, Dec. 11th at the city hospital of cancer of the tomach and was buried yesterday. The funeral of Alex. Clarke, the man accidentally shot at Steveston on Monday, took place yesterday, a number of

friends of the deceased being in attendance from Steveston. THE MILITARY BALL

Fifteen Hundred Citizens Entertained by the Officers and Men of the Fifth Regiment.

The drill hall was a scene of gaiety last evening and during the night until the early hours of the morning, the occasion being the third annual ball giver eason. In point of attendance, and ner haps also in the perfection of the arrangements, the affair was the most successful of the three which now stand to the record of the regiment. It is not an easy matter to provide for the comfort and enjoyment of so large a number of people, and it is something the energetic committee may well congratulate themselves upon that from beginning to end there was nothing of which anyone could complain. The floor was good; the music, supplied by the Fifth Regiment orchestra, under the eadership of Bandmaster Finn, excellent; the decorations lavish; the supper countiful, and the arrangements handling the large crowd and of taking

care of cloaks, wraps and other impedimenta, perfect. Among the invited gues s was His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, who was, however, unable to be present. His Worship Mayor Redfern and Hon. A. E. Smith, U. S. consul, favored the ball with interest:

with their presence. The decorations, for which Corp. J. A. McTavish was chiefly responsible, con sisted largely of the flags of Great Britain and the United States, with an abundance of bunting and a myriad of electric lights. Sergeant Major Mulcahy nade an excellent master of ceremonies, and Gunner Steverson looked after the comfort of the guests in the supper

room department Especial mention should be made of in equally good health and spirits. We death among the 19 widows who mourn-the manner in which the large gathering shall be glad if you would convey to ed his death. catered to. Asthough it took a long time for all to satisfy their needs, their was no unpleasant crowding, and best regards. We often think of you all agreed that the new system was a all and talk of you frequently. Our first vast improvement upon that hitherto observed.

To the committee of which Major Williams is chairman, and Sergeant C. trowel of honor was wielded by Mayor for the manner in which they attended cepting the sleeping accommodations, Hollyer, secretary, great credit is due nothing very much to complain of-exto ail the details of the enjoyable affair.

COUNCIL BUSINESS. Ald. Macgregor Will Move to Withdraw the Port Angeles By-Law.

At the next regular meeting of the city ouncil, the mayor will recommend the inreduction of a by-law to be known as the "Judgment Payment" by-law. Ald. McGregor at the same meeting will ubmit the following resolution: "Whereas a by-law to provide a subsidy

for the establishment of a car ferry and

passenger steamboat service between toria and Port Angeles was drafted and laid before the board several months ago at the requisition of 483 ratepayers, reprecenting considerably more than the required amount of taxable real estate; "And whereas a majority of the board lins persistently refused to accede to the demand of the said ratepayers to place be fore them a by-law, which, if passed, would insure the establishment of the said cutt specially desires me to mention his service, and has further obstructed its pas- regards to you.

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OUR BOYS EN ROUTE.

An Interesting Letter from F. Finch-

Smiles on Board the Troopship.

The following letter received this

morning by Major Williams will be read

SS. Sardinian, off Cape Verde.

My Dear Major Williams: Learning

that there is a possibility of sending

mail home via Cane Verde Islands. I

hasten; amid many difficulties, to scribble

a brief note. No. 2 Company is in the

best of health, and each member joins

few days experienced aboard the "troop

ship" (heaven save the mark) was not a

very happy one. But we have got into

something like order at last, and have

which in case of A Co. is very bad. We

go to bed packed like sardines in a tin

and wake up as from a Turkish bath.

We were all very disgusted when we

learned that our captain was not to command us. He has shown himself by

far the smartest officer in the contingent

(no disparagment to the others), and it

does seem rather hard lines to be com-

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with his own men than with us poor

B. C's.; not but what Major Arnold is

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am very sorry, for I had a host

I find I have come to the end of my

things to tell you, and must wait until

Capetown. Adieu, for the present. With

best wishes to yourself and all at home.

P.S.-Regard to Foulkes, Vandergucht.

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(Special to the Times.)

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Have no equal as a prompt and positive cure for sick hesdache, biliousness, consti-pation, pain in the side, and all liver trou-bles. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Try

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Another of Brigham Young's Widows Passes Away. (Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 16 .- A Salt Lake City

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The By-Law is Abandoned --Breach Was Too Wide For Healing.

As a result of a conference held last evening between the mayor and aldermen and President Cushing and Attorney Trumbull, of the Port Angeles Eastern Railroad Company, it may safely be said that Victoria's chances of obtaining ferry connection with the city across the straits are, for the present at least, dead.

After discussing the provisions of the amended by-law, Mr. Cushing stating his

be willing to give more than \$8,750 a year if the original by-law was adhered to, and when Ald, Beckwith stated that for himself he would not be prepared to agree to giving \$2,500 a year, it became apparent negotiations were at an

Mr. Trumbull then bid good-bye to the mayor and aldermen and made a charac-teristic address to individual members who have been opposed to the terms of the company and the conference came to an end, perfect good feeling being expressed and the visiting promoters being escorted to their boat by several mem-

With the exception of Ald. Brydon the With the exception of Ald. Brydon the full board was present, his worship taking the chair and Mr. Cushing and Mr. Atkinson being early in attendance. In opening the proceedings, which took place in the committee room, the mayor said that matters stood just the same as at the last meeting, it being understood then that nothing should be done until this conference, was held and then President Cushing assured the council that any rumors which might have been current as to the Port Angeles Eastern rent, as to the Port Angeles Eastern road not baying been financed were absolutely without foundation. He had expected his directors would have been out earlier than this, but owing to the rainy weather they had been delayed. He might say that as far as the P.A.E. road was concerned the financial question was satisfactorily disposed of. The by-lav as amended was of no use to them, however, and unless the council was prepared to amend it and make the provisions less stringent the company could not entertain the proposal. The special provice daily and the compulsory building

and ownership of the boats in Victoria. As to the bonus, that might possibly be The question of the speed of coming up, Mr. Cushing said his company desired to have the passenger boat capable of developing 18 miles an hour

instead of 18 knots. Humphrey and others said that Ald, Humphrey and others sand that 18 miles an hour would be plenty and then the question of daylight or night service was discussed, the general desire being that the trip by the ferry should be in the day time. This, it was pointed out by Mr. Cushing, depend ed upon the transcontinental connections and about this he could promise nothing. It depended entirely upon the railway

ompany's arrangements. Sub-section D, providing for the construction, registration and operation of the boats in Victoria and the purchase of stores here, Mr. Cushing said he could not entertain under any consideration. As to the expropriation of the cost of the company of land for a railway line. if the ferry lands at at any point outside the business portion of the city, no objection was held by the Port Angeles

On the matter of the number of directers, the city had insisted upon three of a board limited to seven being appointed by the council, and one of them the mayor of the city. Attorney Trumbull argued that no good reason had been why the city should insist upon that and he could readily conceive how the operation of the company might be hampered thereby. The company would be bound to conform to the by-law and no breach of the provisions of that by-law would be allowed without the bonus

being cancelled. The mayor pointed out that this was accordance with the experience of the municipality, instancing the Jubilee Hospital board, but Mr. Trumbull urged that there is a vast difference between charitable institutions and business orgunizations. Following up the discussion he maintained that those provisions in general acts as to the membership of representatives of the council on the board was because the conditions were dependent upon acts subsequent, not acts precedent, as in this case. The bonus depended upon the company performing certain services, failing in which the company received nothing. If they failed it would be a matter open and notorious and did not depend upon an examination of the books of the company.

Mr. Bradburn pointed out that it might be easy to obey the letter, but not the spirit of the by-law and by giving a ferry service at an inconvenient time render it of no value to the people of the

Around this question the discussion waged for some time, it being pointed out by Mr. Trumbull that close connection might be insisted upon in the by-law, but then it was asked what was meant by the term close connection Mr. Bradburn said it might be that no for what he has done. Ger. Pr.

better connection might be given by the ferry than is now given to Vancouver. Hospital have to kick about and eat meals until 2 n.m., which is most objectionable.

Finally, after much more talk about the times of arrival and departure of the transcontinental trains, which it was agreed might easily be changed at any time, President Cushing said he thought it would be better to allow that clause to hang as it was, and it accordingly

When clause M came up, insisting up on absolute freedom from wharfage charges, Mr. Cushing could not agree to it. It was true that freight by the car ferry would be free of wharfage, but it might be that the steamer might land at some other wharf than their own, in which case the wharfage would have to be paid for by the consignees. It might be that arrangements would be made with Mr. Dunsmuir to land freight at his wharf: The company could not accept that clause.

of the aldermen being of opinion that the matter was small, as it referred only to broken lots and not to car loads, and others insisting that the provisions of the by-law should be complied with. Then Ald. Williams broke in with the suggestion that the discussion of these

750 a year. It seemed at this point that the conference was going to break up without any more ado, but much more talk was to follow. Mr. Cushing mentioned, for instance, that they could not accept the condition of 18 miles an hour with a wooden boat, the speed could not be made. The company had learned this from the Moran Bros., of Seattle, and from the Union Iron Works, of San

Francisco,
As to the extra cost of two trips a
day in place of one, Mr. Cushing said.
"speaking it as roughly as he could," it
would be about \$75 a day,

"Wouldn't you, Mr. Cushing," said
Mr. Mayor, "he in a hetter position to
make an offer of this kind to she people of Victoria when you have your rail
road built to Port Angeles and you have
your transcondingatal connection."

"Oh I don't know that, we should be.
That is a stand the people of Victoria
might take," answered Mr. Cushing.

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"If they waited until then," said Ald. Wilhams, "wouldn't we be in the same position as we have found ourselves in with the C.P.R.?"

Then AM. Stewart wanted to know again whether, if all the clauses objected to were struck out, would the company accept less than \$17,500, but no definite answer was given. Ald. Hay-ward did not think it a reasonable question, the only way to deal with it in that way would be to revert to the original by-law and say to the company, here is your by-law, what will you

Then Mr. Mayor changed the question a little. "Supposing, Mr. Cushing, the council was willing to adopt the original by-law, would you be willing to entertain a proposition in regard to subsidy?" of the company, "that I am prepared to

answer that question to-night." Another turn was given to the matte President Cushing asking whether council would be willing to give the company more than \$8,750 and adhere to the original by-law.

To this the mayor said it was hardly fair question, but Ald. Beckwith was much more out spoken and said he would not be willing to give the company 2,500 and adhere to the original by-

seemed to settle the matter, and President Cushing said it appeared there was nothing to be done but for him to

thank the aldermen and go home. Mr. Cushing also said he could not accept any modification of the original by-law, and the discussion drifted again other matters, such as the question whether the insertion of other provis ons would do anything to protect the interests of the city.

Ald. Beckwith and Ald. Macgregor got nto a little dispute about the merits of drafting of the original by-law, which was productive of nothing new and finally Attorney Trumbull rose and said that he and Mr. Cushing had to catch the boat, and it appeared the pleasant relations hitherto existing beween themselves and the council were about to end. He did not think the alwere consulting their best inerests, but he hoped they would always emember they had his and Mr. Cushing's best wishes, and he trusted that sometime in the future the scales would fall from their eyes. Mr. Mayor, like Paul, might meet a light; Ald. Beckwith might continue to study steamboating; Ald. Cameron might have some hing after him to break down the Scot stubbornness he had cultivated; and Ald. Stewart, as he carved monuments, might learn that life is short and find time to repent: With mutual wishes for a happy New Year, a cordial exchange of the compli-

ments of the season and many jokes the conference then terminated. Joy is the best of wine. George Eliot. Louis A. Gourdain, the bogus real estate agent and banker, who opened up "easy get rich" concern at No. 1 Madison avenue, New York, and who was arrested on November 29th was sentenced yesterday in the court of special sessions to a term of one year in the penitentiary for violation of the

banking laws. Miss Fannie Broughton, daughter of the late Frederick Broughton formerly manager of the old Great Western railway, was fatally burned on Tuesday night by the explosion of a coal oil lamp in a ball room at Hamilton.

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Night's Sitting of the Board. A Large Number of Routine Re

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ness Considered.

of the best attended meetings of the Jubilee Hospital board held for some time was that of last night, thir teen of the fifteen directors being pres ent when the chairman called the meet

The first communication was from Dr Nash for the dentists of the city, and read as follows:

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To the President and Directors Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, I.C.:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the dentists of Victoria, convened for the purpose of considering your communication, recarding their proposed attendance at the hospital, it was decided by those present that such services its any proposed. firm objection to several and agreeing to waive, for a time, one of them, the discussion weered round to the amount of subsidy to be granted. Some of the all-dermen asked Mr. Cushing whather, supposing the by-law as originally submitted was agreed to, the company would be to agree upon the business way would upon how much the city was willing to pay and the company to accept.

"Would you be willing, Mr. Cushing." asked Ald, Kinsman, "to take out these objectionable clauses and accept less than \$17,500 a year for twenty years?"

"The meeting also desired to spiggest that a list be opened at the hospital for the objectionable clauses and accept less on the visiting staff, and that the names of the hospital staff. This question was not answered directly, but Mr. Cushing said he would not the list as the requirements of the hospital take the original by law and accept \$8,-

RICHARD NASH,

Secretary. The letter was received and the secretary instructed to thank the dentists for

their action.

The treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Hasell, reported that the auxiliary had deposited \$1,825 for the children's ward, and that they had \$25 on hand for the same fund. They had also deposited \$500 for the doctor's residence fund, the combined amounts being the result of the charity and children's balls, The ladies were ordered to be thanked on behalf of the board.

The resident medical officer reported To the President and Members of the Board of Directors:

Gentlemen I have the that during the month of November, 1899, the total days stay was 1:423; the daily average number of patients was 44.1; the daily average cost was \$1.40.

I have to report that the members of the Arion Club propose to give their annual concert to the patients, subject to the sanction of the board, on the afternoon of Christmas day. The Women's Auxillary g'so propose to give a Christmas tree to the patients and staff on the Saturday evening preceding Christmas, subject to

the approval of the boards The invalid chair donated by Mrs. Digby Barker has arrived from the East, and will prove a great source of comfort to the

I have to report the great need there is two air or water beds for the use of helpless patients, and also of a portable bath on wheels for the treatment of charged to the hospital by several of the typhoid fever cases. I would also ask that in the lavatory attached to the female xour notice for your direction. card a metal pot lar to that in the small operating room, be substituted for the china basins, which are onstantly being broken; and also a small orcellin lined metal sink for the purpose washing vessels to be fitted in the same I enclose tables of statistics for the mouth to be passed for payment.

I have the bonor to remain your obedien servant. EDWARD HASELL, M.R.C.P. & S. Res. Med. Officer

Mrs. Digby Barker and the Arion Club were directed to be thanked and the Woman's Auxiliary's proposal was approved, the remainder being referred to the house committee.

The matron reported as follows: 14th Dec., 1890 To the Board of Directors, Royal Jubiled

Hospital: Gentlemen:-For this month I beg leave report that owing to illness one of our surses has been obliged to rest and Miss Heaney has been taken as probationer in her place. Miss Land has also been taken as probationer in place of Mrs. Swainson ho graduated on December 1. We have to thank the Women's Auxiliary for 5 table covers, 1 wrapper, 33 sheets,

night shirt, 2 tray cloths; also Mrs. Potts for old cotton, and Mrs. H. D. Helmcken for magazines. I am, gentlemen, respectfully yours.

J. M. GRADY, P. R. J. Hospital, December 14, 1899. The monthly report of the steward

was received as follows: To the Board of Directors of the Proving cial Royal Jubilee Hospital:

Gentlemen:-I beg leave to report: I am ot quite satisfied with the quality of the bread being supplied, although, perhaps, 1 is as good as can be obtained at the cor tract price, viz., 2% cents per pound. On one occasion a batch of sour bread was d livered, but upon my notifying the con tractor it was immediately exchanged. have heard no complaints about the bread

from any of the patients. The groceries are satisfactory, with the xception of the fresh creamery, which has not been up to the mark lately. I spoke to the contractor, who seems willing to have it adjusted. The meat, fish, vegetables are being de-

livered in good order and giving satisfac-The following donations were received Mrs. Pemberton, 335 pounds pears; Admirat Beaumont, illustrated papers; Mr. Cow ley, plants and shrubs; Mr. Flumerfelt, 1

dozen felt slippers for wards. Yours respectfully. ROBT. JENKINSON. The donors mentioned in the above report were thanked for their generous

Then followed reports from the house

committee, a report from the resident

The following report of the house com-

mittee was read and the action con-

President and Directors, President 130cal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria: Gentlemen:-The house committee beg to report as follows:

X Rays.-We have requested the doctor to furnish a statement showing the cost of operating and fees received for use of X-Ray apparatus, and herewith present his report for your information. Dogs.-We have had a notice put

the effect that no does be allowed within the hospital buildings, and have requested the doctor to take the necessary steps for the enforcement thereof.

Crockery.-We received a suggestion that by indenting for crockery we could obtain our requirements from the Old Country at much less cost than has heretofore been paid. We have taken this matter under consideration and find that the Women's Auxiliary are now supplying all the crockery needed, and the suggestion has not been acted upon.

Hopse Furnishings.—We authorized the matter to purchase a new correct the

matron to purchase a new carpet for the surses dining room, the old one being unfit to put down again. A requisition was also made for small for window curtains, which we have authorized the matron to All of which is respectfully submitted for

> ALEX. WILSON. Chairman.
> J. T. CRIMP.
> I. BRAVERMAN. E. A. LEWIS, H. M. GRAHAME, ROBERT S. DAY.

on the 13th of July, 1809. That the cost working the apparatus, regarding only cent per hour; that the average duration of use by any one patient is under one bour. The cost of plates developing the same and making prints has been \$30.80. Three, new Crook tubes have been purchased with the sanction of the board of who have been able to pay for the use of the X-Rays, \$25. Thirteen patients have been subjected to the X-Rays, eight of whom have been in a position to pay.

The impority, of patients who seek the

from old, neglected injuries which entirely prevent them from earning a living. Many of these have been operated on successful-le, thanks to the new light thrown on their injuries, and are no longer a burden on I have the honor to remain your obedient

EDWARD HASELL, M.R.C.P. & S.

To the President and Directors of the Provincial Royal Jubitee Hospital, Vic-coria, B. G.: Gentlement—Your finance committee met at the hospital to-day, and beg to report

Your committee examined the monthly bills presented to them, and all bills beardag the signature of our chairman have been passed for payment. Pour committee call attention to the fact that car fares have for some time been

eniployees. This matter is brought to adequate for special cases requiring continued nursing, so that our medical officer must often employ certificated nurses practicing in Victoria, the regular, fee being \$15 per week and board. The charge made by our institution for such service is \$2 per day, so that the loss amounts to \$1 rer week and \$1 per day, the average per diem cost for each patient in the hospital. Your committee desire that every account shall be authorized by the house

committee and hear the usual signature of the officer in whose department the article is for. Vouchers in all cases should be attached to invoices, and where reguisitions are issued such requisitions must be returned attached to invoice, and all accounts should be rendered on or before the 5th of each month to secure payment on or about the 10th of each month.

It is submitted as customary, when contract, that cash discounts averacing from 5 to 10 per cent, shall be allowed the hospital when retail prices are charged. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSHUA DAVIES C. A. HOLLAND, A. C. ELUMERFELT, JAS. FORMAN,

R. L. DRURY. Mr. Joshua Davies reported outsta ing accounts to the amount of \$1,385.25, in amounts ranging from ten cents to \$240. He thought most of that amount would be recovered though a considerable amount would have to be written

The visiting committee for the month reported baying laid a small platform for dumping coal, and also the hiring of a horse and cart for a couple of days for

The donation of \$41 from Mr. Justice Drake and some friends and of a phar-macopoeia from Mr. Shotpolt was reported by the treasurer both gentlemen ing thanked for their sifts.

Accounts to the amount of \$1,607.02 for the month were ordered to be paid. Upon the matter being brought up by Mr. Wilson it was recided that hereaf-

kept for a month and then destroyed if not claimed. The president directed the attention of the board to the case of Solomon Maren to the asylum. The chairman referred to a newspaper item in regard to the case, stating that Dr. Frank Hall objected to the removal of the man.

ter the clothes of deceased patients

Consultation with Dr. Hall developed the fact that he believed Marten was not a fit subject for hospital treatment. Regarding the suggestion to fit wards for such cases in the isolation hospital the chairman had asked the secretary to ascertain how many patients had been treated in the isolation hospi-

Mr. Yates thought the subject was British India has 140 colleges.

surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention. A con-surgeon in regard to the Roentgen rays one which required attention in the City referred to the executive to act.

A. Lew's also held that the Isolation

and Jubilee Hospitals should be under Becember 5, 18 0, the same management.

Mr. Yates, for the electric light committee, said a test had been made of the meter at the hospital which they found did not "creep," but it registered a stronger light than was received. The committee had also had under consider action the installing of an electric light plant, which could be done for about \$1,900. This was more than the hospital could stand, but if the city erected a A West Coast Rancher Urges the sterilizing plant the two might be operated together

Mr. Lewis also drew attention to the fact that although there are five furnaces at the hospital, the building is

Mr. Drury moved that hereafter a general meeting of the board be held monthly at the hospital.

Mr. Grahame moved that the change do not come into effect for two months. he did not like the idea of going so far try. But while every day is demon-

out to the meeting.

Mr. Wilson wanted the semi-monthly meetings continued, and also opposed the change in the place of meeting. It and he very involvement for some of members to attend at the hospital. Mr. Lewis thought that the meeting of the committee at he hospial was suffi-cient in the meantime to familiarize the pers with the working of the hospi-

Mr. Davies said it had been found when the meetings were held at the hospital that it was difficult to get a quorum, especially in the winter months. Mr. Drury characterized as ridiculous the semi-monthly meetings of the board, where the whole board met to consider

matters that the committees could per-Bays: That the apparatus was installed ported by Mr. Wilson as probable as a result of a conference with the mayor. The usual payment of December salaries before Christmas and a grant of \$5 to the elevator boy were approved, and the board rose at 9:30.

> NANAIMO HARBOR COAL. Judgment Handed Down by Mr.

Justice Drake Yesterday, In the case of the Attorney-General et al. vs. the E. & N. Railway Company an application was made some time ago on behalf of the defendants for the discovery of certain documents, and on this and of the X-Rays are seriously isjured application Mr. Justice Drake resterday handed down the following judgment: This is an application for discovery against the Attorney-General as well as against the New Vancouver Coal Com-pany. As regards the Attorney-General the application must be dismissed with osts, on the ground that parties are not entitled to obtain discovery against the Crown. Attorney-General vs. Newcastleupon-Tyne, 2 D.B., 384. With regard to the other parties the defence has been filed and the general rule is that no laim, which has been struck out by order, and against which an appeal is pending, until that is disposed of, the wes are not settled, and this applica-

tion had better stand over.
"I may draw attention to the Rule 270 and 271: 'In every case there should be ed here in unlimited quantities, and as a general summons for directions and in case any application which could have made on the salt water, this can be obotherwise the party making the application will pay the costs, and as this is kelp outside their doors. one of such a character, the defendants will have to pay costs.

Mr. Luxton for the summons; Mr. MacLean, D.A.G., contra. ONE ON OSCAR. Mistaken for an Unfair Competitor

With White Labor. While the arbitrators in the Chinese cases were in session in Union the evenings were generity spent in the infortable hotel sitting room. many good stories were told by autorneys and others. In the story Oscar C. Bass, official stenographer, managed to keep up his end and in one of his tales he happened to say something about operating a typewriter in the Altorney-General's office. When Mr. Bass had finished his narrative a Nanaimo man said:

"Did you say you sometimes used a typewriter in the Attorney-General's office, Mr. Bass?" Mr. Bass admitted that he did "WeI," said the Namaimo "Well," said the Namalmo
"that gives me a bitle light on thing that was said to me last winter. A Nataimo man, who had no friendly feelings towards, the provincial government, had occasion to visit Victoria, and while there he called on the. Atforney General. When the man re-forney he was boiling over with indignistion, and his pent up wrath found, went, when he met me first words were: What do you think of this government that was going to do so much for the workingman, now? went into Joe Martin's office when I

lankety blank Jep playing away on the typewriter. No one enjoyed the story more than Mr. Bass, who happens to be short, in stature and of the brunette type of beauty.—Free Press.

A SURE CURE FOR CROUP, Twenty-five Years' Constant Use With out a Failure.

. The first indication of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following were panic-stricken, but the teachers ten, the sealer who became insane after this hoarseness is a peculiar rough a treatment in trepanning and was takis given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack, It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a recordtwenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by Henderson Bres. Wholesale Agents, Victoria and Van COUPET.

Farm Lands

A Great Tract of Rich and Arable Lands Awaiting Settlement.

Use of Seaweed For Fertilizing.

Agriculture on Vancouver Island has not, in the past, received the attention to expected from the large tracts of arable o.not come into effect for two months. | land which occur at intervals, through Mr. Yates opposed the change because out almost the entire length of the couneral wealth of that port on of the prowhat scanty information regarding its agricultural poss bilities is of the most

encouraging character.

The attention of the Deputy Minister of Agneulture, Mr. J. R. Anderson, his recently been more particularly arected to this latter phase of island possibli-ties by the receipt of a letter from a gentleman at Quarsino, in which some interesting information is given.

The letter says: "This is a small set-

tlement at present, there being about hiteen or sixteen people occupying land here, but we have a population of about sixty souls including children, and as you are doubtless aware, composed oneny

"Although possessed," the writer adds, of a fine, mild, equable climate, agriculture, I am sorry to state time not made much progress amongst us, principally owing to the heavy timber characteristic of this coast. We have, generally speaking a very fertile soil, and I have never seen finer crops of field and garden produce in England than have been raised here where the cleating of the land and the fillage of the soil has been thorough-ly and efficiently accomplished. Coming from a prairie country, almost desinate of timber, where the s.il samply needed to be scratched on the surface and crops, the majority of the ranchers here bitterly bemoan their lot, and do not appear to understand the necessity of grubbing the soil for a foot or more to get out the roots and boulders in order to raise a crop. Not only does this seem cultivation, but manuring to some tent seems also necessary on some sold here. It may be that lime, in many in stances is the only element needful.
There is limestone in abundance here,
but no knowledge as o burning it. in others, potash is wanting, as proved by the marvellous effect a sowing of dry-wood ashes has had. The writer's exorder will be made until it appears in the pleadings what the issues are here the defendants have filed a counterbarnyard manure along with dee thorough cultivation of the soil. Unfortunately, however, only one or two settlers possess even a cow, so that other means of fertilizing the soil have to be sought for. Now, seawerd can be obtainall the locations at present have been

"For a long time I have tried to convince the folks here what valuable resources they possess in the shape of this article for manurial purposes. If your department could furnish any printed matter on the subject of manures and their application, I believe they would prove of valuable assistance. The writer has read that in the Channel islands seaweed is the principal manure usea. "There is, however, an immense area of land stretching from Marble Creek valley to Alert bay on the east coast of the island which does not appear to require the aid of manure, for 'potatoes have been grown to a prodigious size inc this valley without the use of any manure whatever. I have seen some weighing two and three-quarters of a pound

"The land in question is at present not bought up, and is unoccupied, and would furnish forms for several hundred peo-ple. It is drained by Marble creek, which s a large river, with a winding course of 40 or 50 miles in a northwesterly direction, and draining several large lakes The land, I believe, will be settled upon

in the near future. "The past summer has been a very tipe one; but rather too dry for crous. fact, irrigation had to be practised by the writer, for, to use a homely expression, we could not fill a wash tub at the spout once during June, July and August. From the appearance of things, however, we are in for a wet spell now, for it is several years since so much rain. has fallen here in November, There was a slight frost last month, but not enough to cut down even tender perenhials m was in Victoria and there I saw a sheltered spots. Last winter the climb ing roses on the house walls remained all winter huxuriant in foliage."

The London Dally Mail publishes the following disputch from Shanghal: "It is senorted here that the British and other unlisters at Pekin have agreed to a revision of the Chinese customs tariff on condition that a joint foreign and Chinese board shall be applied to control the expenditure and the extra revenue." and the extra revenue."

The state institution for the deaf and dumb at Pittsburg, Pa., was completely destroyed by fire last evening. The pupils culckly secured control of them, and it is believed all were saved. The value of the

destroyed property is very large. The body of Fred, Hargrave, agel about 45. a farm laborer, was found on the prairie, Winnings, on Wednesday. Death evidently resulted from exposure

Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers renerable.-Richter. Japan has 30.000 schools.

in a Texas case, Judge Dillard decides that a mortgage on an unplanted crop is wholly filegal and rold.

SANDON.

Mr. R. C. Clute, the special commismissioner appointed to inquire into the operation of the Alien Labor Law in the Kootenay, is holding court here.

CASCADE CITY.

Officer D. J. Darraugh has been transferred from Cascade to Phoenix. W. E. Gillespie, Deputy Chief Ranger, Independent Order Foresters, accompanied by Mr. Atkinson, were in Cascade Wednesday. They were in Moyie, Cranbrook and Fort Steele, before coming here, where courts were established.

ASHCROFT.

Rev. R. B. Laidley, who has been sersame period of last year. blood vessel in his head the fore part of the week, is much improved. R. T. Ward came in from Lillooet on

GRAND FORKS.

A printers' union for the Boundary has been organized with the following offi-President, J. W. Grier; vice-president, J. D. Hendrix; treasurer, W. J. Haber; secretary, W. H. Pierre; executive committee, E. M. Grace, L. Keefe, F. W. Grant, G. Barl McCarter, J. W. Ellis. The union starts out with about 20 members.

KELOWNA.

At a recent meeting of the Agricultural & Trades Association at Kelowna, the following officers were elected: C. S. Smith, president; T. W. Stirling, vicepresident; D. W. Sutherland, secretary. Directors, A. B. Knox, E. R. Bailey, A Day, S. Ray, J. Crozier, R. Lambly, A. McLellan, B. Lequime, J. Brown, Dr. Boyce and J. Morrison.

child Hammond. The Rev. J. A. Cle- scalp wounds, but is doing very well. land officiated. The bride, who wore a becoming travelling costume of dark grey, was assisted by her sister, Miss Hammond, while the groom was supported by Mr. C. K. Hammond, brother

SAVONAS

A distressing fire occurred at Savonas whereby the family of Wm. Thompson, section foreman, were burned out of home. A defective flue caused the fire. Thompson, with the youngest child, esof the bed-room. Her two daughters Bonne set the fractured bone. were badly scorched in getting out of the the ground, everything being lost, including the wearing apparel of the in-

The Golden Fire Engine Association Greene occupied the chair. The princi- may start in the new building after New the first time since his recent accident. pal business of the evening was the elec- Year.-Free Press, tion of officers for the ensuing year. The officers of the company are: President, F. W. Jones, secy-treas. Columbia River Lumber Co.; vice pres dent, G. B. Mc-Dermot, merchant; secy-treas., R. J. sides shaft last week, is steadily improv-Robinson, manager for Hull Bros.; direc-ing. tors, C. A. Warren, merchant; William Duncan McIntosh has returned from S. Viola Haas with a handsome gold McNeish, of the Columbia House; J. C. a trip to Montreal, in the interest of the watch, as a testimony of their admira-Greene, of the Queen's Hotel; J. G. Ulthe Kootenay House; C. Field, druggist; solicitor, Thos. O'Brien; bankers, Imperial Bank of Canada, Atter discussing plans for the coming year the meeting adjourned.

GREENWOOD.

The C.P.R. track laying machine has been at work since Friday last laying track to the Mother Lode, and the work is being pushed rapidly to completion. The frame work of the new skating rink is now up, and the prospects are that the citizens of Greenwood will be able to enjoy skating very shortly.

James Stevenson, of Princeton, was in the city recently. He was on Boundary creek in 1860, with the first rush, and railway grade. This will give sufficient remembers the first white woman, the wife of a prospector named Bean, who ever entered the district. He has been through the placer gold excitements of Cariboo, Rock creek and Granite creek. At the latter place, which is 12 miles from Princeton, he is interested in the principal placer company, the Gramite Creek Hydraulic Company in which he has great confidence, and has large interests in the Similkameen district.

VERNON.

At the last meeting of the aldermen here they had this resolution before them: "Whereas, it is commonly reported that gaming is carried on in many of the hotels, as well as in private rooms in the city; and whereas, it is also commonly reported that this fact is well known to the police; therefore we, the undersigned members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union respectfully beg that the police be summoned before your honorable body, and an investigation be made into the truth of these reports, and if necessary such steps be taken as you deem advisable for the enforcement of the law."

A crazy Chinaman from Penticton was down to the New Westminster to asylum on Tuesday by Constable Rose. A stranger walked off the gang plank of the steamer Aberdeen one evening last | vey department, in his ride from Greenculty was got out of the lake, apparently

none the worse for his ducking. The average daily attendance at the public school for the month of November was 120, with 146 pupils attending. This hall, brought together the largest and is the largest average for some time. Morris went down to Kere-

meos on Monday to hold a coroner's inquest upon the body of an Indian who quest upon the body of an Indian who had been missing for some months and est outbursts of applause. The net proregarding whose death there are some suspicions of foul play.

The Rev. G. A. Wilson announced definitely at the morning service in the \$261. To this sum will be added the Presbyterian church on Sunday last that amount of \$100 collected at the recent he had decided to accept the call tender St. Andrew's banque' \$12 paid into the

his new charge about January 2nd.

STEVESTON.

A fatal accident occurred here this morning by which Alex. Clarke lost his While helping to kill a cow belonging to Mr. Webber, butcher, Clarke held other employee of Webber's, took careful aim at the cow's head with his rifle. Just at the instant the rifle was discharged the cow turned its head slightly an Englishman aged 30 and unmarried. ready for opening by Christmas.

KAMLOOPS.

very sea sick, and, in view of the new building. crowded quarters, there was not much comfort for anyone. He describes the daily exercises to keep the boys in trim

TRAIL.

home for the present.

FERNIE.

prominent ladies of the town to do some.

W. B. Wilson, superintendent of the thing in the way of starting a public Le Roi, who recently fractured his knee reading room in Fernie. Mr. E. Wrigiesworth, inspector over fined to his room for some weeks. the work of building the new coke ovens, leaves this week for Victoria, where he will spend the Christmas and New Year

holidays. A young ad named Andrew Baird. employed at the mines, had the misforwhich spread with terrible rapidity. Mrs. | tune to have his arm broken last week while coupling the small coal cars which caped by jumping through the window bring the coal from underground. Dr.

Messrs. Digby and Swanson have a front door. The house was burned to gang of men at work on the new rink which they are building near the Ro-The seats for the new school house held its annual meeting last week in the weeks. It is to be hoped the seats will parlors of the Queens Lotel. Mr. J. U. be put in place at once, so that school

bucket falling on him in the Old Iron- set.

new tramway and electric light project nion for her tireless labors while here, for Phoenix.

Midway last week by Officer Dinsmore, erection of the new barracks. and from there will be sent to the insane asylum at New Westminster. W. R. Williams, J. F. Heminway and

G. W. Rumberger have been elected fire wardens by acclamation. J. A. Corvell, C.E., has completed the survey for the Phoenix water works. Work on the system is being done as rapidly as possible. At present the water is taken from the dam built last summer: It is the intention of the company to pump water from the New York lake to a reservoir to be built above the

pressure for fire protection. Elmer Stover, aged eight years, had the ends of two fingers blown off while playing with some caps the other morning. His face was also badly cut up in many places. It is feared the boy may lose both eyes, and it has been decided to send him to Spokane for treatment.

KAMLOOPS.

Walter Urguart, of Lighting Creek. Cariboo, and Joseph Evans, of Victoria are recent arrivals at the Provincial Heme. There are now 73 inmates of this

D. C. Mackenzie left for New York on Friday. At Wednesday's meeting of Primrose Lodge, No. 20, K. of P., Mr. Mackenzie was presented with an . ddress and an opal scarf pin by sis brother Knights.

F. C. Gamble, provincial government perintendent of public works, was in town on Wednesday. He arranged for he immediate carrying out of certain improvements to the heating apparatus at the Provincial Home.

Mr. Boissevain arrived in town Wednesday from Greenwood. He had ridden right through from the Boundary Spence's Bridge, a distance of 250 miles, in seven days. Mr. Boissevain, who is connected with the C. P. R. surweek at Penticton, and after some diffi- wood followed the route of the proposed

Spence's Bridge.

The Mansion House fund concert on Thursday night, in the K. M. & A. A. in Kamloops. Whilst every item of a long and varied programme was hearticeeds of the concert, including admissouvenir programmes, amounted

couple were supported by Mr. P. R. Pet-J. Kernaghan secured the contract for is progressing apace. C. Lemon and H. brought up, it having been referred by place. Near Port Guichon, where a tipiece and M ss Edith Pettipiece. the erection of the skating rink and the Sutherland, who were engaged in instaland the bullet glanced from the cow's at the bullet glanced from the com's is the intention of the company to have ing gas, finished the work on Saturday as Ottawa to the council for its opinion and the farms adand killing him instantly. Clarke was a and left for Toronto in the evening. Two quest. It was an application by Mr. b. breaks have also

is effecting a considerable reduction in inson's logging camp across the river holder or reservoir, which will be pushed the cost of operating the electric light discovered smoke, and flames bursting to completion rapidly. plant. This innovation, with the use of through from the bunk house, which was Rev. John Robson was a busy man on dry wood, has made a difference of a log building, into the cook house, Thursday afternoon and evening. Withabout \$60 a week in the cost of operating which was a frame addition. He ran in six hours he officiated at a funeral, iously ill, caused by the bursting of a the power plant, compared with the round to the door of the bunk house and performed a marriage ceremony, attendthrew it open, when with the access of ed an annual meeting of the members of Letters have been received from R. B. air the flames broke out in all directions his church, and, lastly, was presented Campbell, one of Kamloops's contribu- and in a short while had completely de- with an addition to his family. Thursday, where he has been visiting tion to the Canadian contingent, written stroyed the building and its entire conthe quartz properties lately acquired by in mid-ocean. Campbell has some amustents, including the men's bedding and tel and bar licenses filed with the license him, and proceeded the same night to the ing stories to tell of experiences on board the stock of provisions in the cook house. commissioners for the Nelson district. the Sardinian. Most of the men were Mr. Robinson started at once to put up a The board will meet and pass upon these

tor of the Emmanuel Baptist church, re- and mining engineer for the mines of the overtures from churches both east and don & Globe and the British America West offering a larger salary that he is corporation when he mined in Idaho, now receiving, yet he and Mrs. Saun- Colorado and New Mexico, some 20 ders have concluded to make Trail their years since, and the relations between the two men have been both pleasant Tunnel camp on the body of the young man of about 45 years of age and comman killed in the accident there. A jury menced his mining career on the Comof s'x, with Dr. Rothwe'l as stock lode along in the early part of the coroner, brought in a verdict seventies, where he worked in the Conof accidental death. The victim solidated Virginia and other mines, Afof the accident was Robert Eastman, a terwards he mined and had charge of printer, of Eugene, Oregon. He was tak-mines in New Mexico, Colorado, Utah ing a free ride on a car load of rails. and Idaho. For several years past he Social circles have been interested in when the brakes not a ting the car ran has been in Canada, and for the past the marriage of Mr. George B. McDon- off, and the steel shifting, he was crush- two years he has been in the employ of ald, assistant manager of the Noble Five ed to death. A brakeman, William Fid- the McCuaig, Rykert syndicate of Monmine at Cody, and Miss Louise Fair- dler, was bruised and sustained some treal. It was he who examined for these parties the Republic, the Payne, the B. C. and other properties in which the syndicate represented by this firm A movement is on foot among the has invested severa' millions of dollers.

> cap, is a little better, but will be con-Dr. Angus W. Kenning and wife, formerly of Toronto, had a very narrow escape from being killed on Thursday. The doctor's horse ran away ard jump-

ed through a saloon window. He had two ribs broken and was otherwise bruised. Mrs. Kenning was only slightly hurt the runaway on Wednesday, are doing | for the season. W. R. McLean was ap-

well and the physician in charge antici- pointed chairman pro tem., and a couple pates a speedy recove y. A careful examination of both patients shows that man Catholic church. When ready for Mrs. Kenning will be around almost at the skaters the ice will be 40x100 feet. once, as she has sustained no injuries other than the nervous shock. The dochave at last arrived. The building has tor himself is even better than was exclub, and precented a detailed statement now been ready for them for about six pected, and will be able to resume his practice in a few days.

Dr. Kenning was out on Monday for

The doctor is far from well yet, but is

maions to attend to his business. Mrs. Konning is progressing favorably, but is Patrick Sullivan, who was hurt by the still suffering from the effects of the upcorps on Monday evening presented Capt.

and particularly for the great assistance Jas. Callahan, a miner, was taken to she rendered in obtaining funds for the

NELSON.

Louis Hartwig and Miss Jennie Baillie were married on Wednesday evening at the Christian Young Men's Club on Silica street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert Frew, assisted by Brigadier Howell of the Salvation

F. L. Christie, a well-known lawyer of Sandon, tells of the collapse of the wharves of the C. P. R. and Kaslo & Slocan railway, which occurred on Wednesday at Kaslo. The two wharves were being built side by side, that of the .C P. R. having about 100 feet of work done upon it, while the Kaslo & Slocan Company's was all but completed, the last pile being driven when the collapse occurred. Mr. Christie states that, as far as he could learn, the shoreward bed of the lake was resting upon a slanting shelf of rock, and that the piles of the two wharves being driven into this bed, and combining with the action of the water, had loosened it, with the consequence that, with scarcely any warning. a slide occurred.

W. R. Jarvis returned from Revelstoke Saturday evening with his bride. Upon his return he was made the recipient of a handsome dinner service and a check from the civic employees.

The secretary of the Nelson lacrosse hockey team has received a communication from Rossland to the effect that the formation of the proposed hockey league depends upon the nature of the replies received from the Nelson hockey club and the Boundary clubs, neither of whom have as yet responded.

George Johnstone, collector of customs for the port of Nelson, has been notified that on January first the outport of Bedlington, better known as Rykerts, will be detached from the port of Nelson and placed under the port of Kaslo. Mayor Neelands has consented to act

as chairman at the smoker which will extension of the Columbia & Western to be given in the opera house on the evening of December 15th, for the purpose of swelling the Mansion House fund. The following are the official figures of the membership of the Miners' Unions in most enthusiastic gathering ever known the camps in Kootenay and Yale: Sandon 520, Whitewater 110, Silverton 130, New Denver 59, Slocan City 48, Nelson Ly received, it was the patriotic and 240, Ymir 125, Rossland 1,400, Phoenix, Sixty-five per cent. of the Sandon members are British subjects and 75 per sion receipts, collections and sale of cent. of the Whitewater members. There are 285 members of the Sandon union employed in that camp at present.

A meeting of the joint committee-representing the trustees of the Nelson and ed him for the second time by the Sentinel by various contributors and \$5 Hume school districts and the city coun-

Mount Pleasant congregation of Vancou- paid into the Bank of B. C., making a cil-was held on Monday, when a reso- building on Central street is nearing prospects once more, and dropsy securing ver. Mr. Wilson will probably leave for grand total of \$378 as Kamloops's con- lution was passed reciting that it was completion, and, it is expected, will be tribution to the fund for the families of the unanimous wish of the school trus- ready for occupation by the middle of tribution to the fund for the families of the unanimous wish of the school should be erected in Nelson, and one and will be well-finished. There sons and four daughters to mourn him. requesting the board of trade to co-oper- will be a resident missionary here to do R. Jarvis, chief of police of Nelson, ate with the joint committee in securing work with the Celestials who are in the phenomenally high tide which was oband Miss Allbaugh, of Leduc, Alberta, from the government block 49 as a city. were married at St. Peter's church, by school site, and a money grant of \$10,-

At 6 o'clock on Friday morning just ered, and a further shipment of four or after the men had left for the bush to five carloads of material is en route. The The introduction of the meter system commence work, the cook at Fred Rob- latter includes the material for the gas- Westminster, and wishes to build a mill

There are twenty applications for ho-

applications next Friday.

Two representatives of the order of Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace arrived Mr. Bernard McDonald, the noted min- in Nelson on Friday for the purpose of ing expert, has arived to fill the position | making arrangements for the opening of made vacant by the resignation of Mr. a private school in this city. This or-Rev. Hugh Saunders, the popular pas- W. A. Carlyle as general superintendent ganization has charge of the Sisters' hospital in Rossland, and several months ing in the spring, but in the meantime they will probably rent temporary quar-

T. J. Roberts, the purchaser of the An inquest was held at the Summit and confidential. Mr. McDonald is a at Creston, has moved the mill to Ferthe city hospital. Goat River Lumber Company's sawmili nie. Roberts has secured a contract from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the cutting of six million feet of lumber.

Assistant City Engineer Dill is preparing an estimate of the cost of repairing the city wharf which will go before the city council at its next meeting. He is of opinion that \$5,000 will be a liberal estimate for a 30 foot wharf of the requisite length. He will probably recommend that the warehouse be upon a floating barge, to accommodate the dif-

ferent stages of water. The tramway company had its power on Tuesday afternoon when the two Three boys were given a warning by cars at the Poplar street crossing were the police magistrate on Tuesday aftermade a noticeable difference in the speed account of the hot fusilade they were

later in the afternoon. An enthusiastic gathering of hockey lads. players took place at the Hume hotel on Tuesday night, when the Nelson the city. He is the new provincial man-Dr. and Mrs. Kenning, the victims of hockey club was formally reorganized of hours were spent in electing officers, receiving reports and discussing the pros pects for the season. C. E. Beasley. the treasurer, reported that a small cash of last year's rectip's and expenditures. vileges, and to conduct the negotiations

Kootenay league. The teams which it is proposed to in-Greenwood, Kaslo, Victorias of Rossland and Rossland City team.

VANCOUVER.

About three weeks ago Chief of Police Stewart was almost convinced that he had in his possession Tascott, the famous Chicago murderer. He wrote to the detective department at Chicago, and yesterday received a reply that Tascott would be about 33 years of age at the present time. Try as the chief might, he found it impossible to bring the age of the man he had in his possession as a vagrant to more than 23, so that he has been compelled to abandon the suggesion that he was the man that has been looked for so assiduously for the last ten

years. The chief once before had Tascott here and partially identified him as the man who had murdered millionaire Snell of Chicago. But there was some mark of identification wanting, and the chief let him go.

A few weeks later, a woman who was in trouble with the San Francisco police, told them that it had really been Tascott who got away from Vancouver. from there he disappeared. Last summer he turned up in Dawson. The New York Sun recently told about him that he had been sick in a hospital there, and expected to die. He told the nurse he was and the nurse and doctor of the ospital were discussing the division of the \$50,000 reward, when Snell gradually began to get better. He pretended that he was proce ding to recovery very slowly and voy lirtle attention paid to him. One morning found that Mr Tascott had departed. He was after-

wards heard of at Cape Nome. Chief, Stewart knew this and one orning a couple of weeks ago he saw in a vagrant named Graham that two of the detectives brought in the man that had escaped him years ago. There was man appeared to be too young. He was not more than 22 or 23, and it has turned ort that Tascott is at least 33 now, so that, much as he looks like him, this cannot be the man who was implieated in the sensational Chicago murder .-

News-Advertiser. The parks and other by-laws have been laid over for the new council. George Dalton is lying in the hospital a very sick man suffering from a fracfor are expressed for his recovery.

ing to Mr. Webber, butcher, Clarke held by a rope while J. Jones, and Dr. Paget, Wedne day evening. The ooo for the purpose of erecting a school about the most common of requests river. The dyke at the "oilery" was not before the city council powerful to the city council power before the city council nowadays. On high enough, and the water poured over quest. It was an application by Mr. D. breaks have also occurred. On caroads of plant have just been delivered, and a further shipment of four or Coast Lumber Company, which has been age was done. doing business for some time at New on the shore of Coa' harbor, almost opposite Deadman's Island, at the foot of

Bidwell street.

The case of W. B. Ross was brought up before the city council on Monday hight. The mayor said that the sanity of that gentleman had been inquired into by Drs. Poole and Maclean. Dr. Poole had told him that they were not experts, but that he would not be kept at the asylum if there was any possibillty of his not being insane. It was reso ved, on motion of Aldermen Gilmour and Grant, that the superintendent of the institution at New Westminser condition of Mr. Ross. Carried. The death of William Stannard, a private of No. 3 Company, Sixth Regiment,

announced yesterday, occurred at the city hospital. The deceased tor of the Emmanuel Baptist church, results ago they were requested to open school Robert Dunsamar, but had lately been bride, from Parkhill, Ontario, Although Camp. Mr. McDonald was with Mr. in Nelson. They announce that it is ill from typhoid fever. The young man had neatly and noiselessly slit open was unmarried and had been in this was unmarried, and had been in this country for about two years. A military funera' will be held to-day. George Dalton, who was hurt in a run-

away smash-up on Saturday night, is ed the razor from him, and then grabbed now doing as well as can be expected at the fellow's arms. His grip, however,

There has been started during the last couple of days quite a large gambling game in the city. Now is the time that to his heels and disappeared. oggers and miners are coming to the city for the winter, and it is reported that several quite large sums have been civic council to fill the positions of the dropped in the house referred to during the last couple of evenings.-News-Advertiser.

Messrs. Armstrong & Morrison have purchased the old smelter site in the 407 votes; defeated, William Holland East End, and it is the intention later | Keary, 254; Arthur N. Herring, 16. on to build a much larger foundry there than they have on the present site.

tested and run up and down Water noon never again to engage in the ques- Brown, 352; Roderick Charles McDonstreet for a short distance. The belt at tionable sport of shooting sea-gulls. The the sub-station stretched a good deal boys were seen out on the inlet, and Woods, 315; Thomas Robson Pearson, while the cars were being moved, which were mistaken for drunken Indians, on of the car. This defect was a tended to firing. Officers D. D. McIntosh and Sturch Annandale, 524 votes; James Gif-Park went in pursuit and captured the

> Mr. T. Graham, of Revelstoke, is in ager for the Goldfields of British Columbia, Mr. Grant-Govan's company. He succeeds Mr. Perry Leake, who is now

on his way home to the Old Country. The question of the complaint of Mr. P. Fewster of ill-treatment at the hands of the police, was taken up at the meeting of the police committee on Wednesday. Ald. Skinner thought that on the re-This was adopted. The election of or port of the city solicitor the officers ficers resulted as follows: R. Carley, pre- could use their discretion in a case where sident; W. R. McLean, vice-president; a citizen was given in charge by a re-S. Neelands, manager; C. E. Beasley, sponsible party. In this case, a manager secretary-treasurer; G. Bell, G. Doyle, of a bank had asked for the removal of and S. G. Campbell, members of the Mr. Fewster. It was mentioned that executive. The committee was authoriz- Mr. Fewster had entered suit for \$2,500 is supposed to have been neuralgia of the ed to treat with the rink officials for pri- against the bank, and the first writs in connection therewith had already been with the Rossland. Greenwood and Kas- served. The letter from the city solicitor lo teams, which will form the proposed was filed for reference, and the matter was dropped.

The marriage of J. J. Holland, of clude in the new league, are: Nelson Kamloops, and Mary, daughter of Mrs. City club, Nelson Lecross-Hockey club M. A. Mulder, of 240 Georgia street, this city, took place on Tuesday at the residence of the bride's mother. Miss Lawson acted as bridesmaid and C. N. Cornell was best man. Rev. Mr. Mc-Laren officiated.

The Rev. E. D. McLaren left on Wednesday for the interior, where he will attend a meeting of the Kamloops Presbytery. A call of the Mount Pleasant Methodist church to the Rev. George A. Wilson, of Vernon, will be considered at the meeting.

A police detective on Wednesday ran across a gambling game in his downtown travels. He came across it quite unexpectedly, but as he was unable to identify the game, it is improbable that anything can be done in the matter. The health inspector and medical

health officer will have a complete inspection of the city schools from a health point of view before Christmas. Mr. Frank Bodwell, who has gone to Seattle to marry Miss Ferguson, daughter of Colonel Ferguson, was given a ferewell dinner on Wednesday evening at the Vancouver Club by His Worship Mayor Garden. A most enjoyable even-He went from here to Hong Kong and ing was spent and suitable speeches exchanged with cordial good wishes for the lasting happiness of the prospective groom and his fair bride. The wedding will take place on December 18th, An organization called the Deadman's Island Citizens' Committee is holding

> lect candidates for mayor and aldermen, park and license commisioners. NEW WESTMINSTER. Albert Andrew Richmond, whose

meetings for the purpose of choosing

delegates to attend a convention to se-

death was announced on Saturday, was former clerk of the municipality of Surey. He was a member of the Amcient, Free and Accepted Masons. A native of Ontario, having been born in St. Vincent township, Grey county, on July a marvellous resemb'ance, and yet the 14th, 1851; for 15 years Mr. Richmond engaged in a seafaring life on the Great Lakes until declining health necessitated removal to a more congenial clime. Accordingly, in 1892, he came to British Columbia and settled, with his family, in Surrey, of which municipality he be came clerk. In 1897 misfortune overtook him, his house, furniture and adjacent property being destroyed by fire, involving a heavy loss as no insurance was carried. About this time his health tured skull. He was driving along Pen- also gave out again, and he was a conder street on Saturday night, with T. tinual sufferer up to the time of his F. Robinson and C. Lewis, when their death. After the fire he and his family horse an away. The three were thrown removed to the Royal City where he out and Dalton was so badly hurt that opened a gents' furnishing establishment, with his son, on Columbia street. The The new Methodist Chinese mission great fire swept away his business and

a strong hold upon him, he was compelled to retire a together from active business life. The deceased leaves four

The Columbian of Friday says: The Applications for foreshore rights are wrought considerable destruction downjacent flooded. On Westham Island

The Dominion government camps in connection with the mattress work on the Fraser river and the quarries at Pitt lake have been closed down for the winter. It will probably be March 1st before work is resumed.

A daring and partially successful robbery was reported to Sergeant Dilla bough on Friday night. It appears that a man named Johnson, who had been drinking heavily, went into the sitting room of the Fraser hotel and, being ensconced in a comfortable chair, soon dropped off into a sound slumber. About 9:30 o'clock another man, decidedly so ber, came in and also sat down to rest be asked for a report as to the mental in the sitting room. This was quite in order, and attracted no notice until the proprietor, Mr. Swanson, heard some money fall on the floor. On proceeding to investigate he found . Johnson still was asleep, but with the other man's hand Johnson's pocket, but, before he could gather in all the shekels some had fallen on the floor. Mr. Swanson promptly was only on the coat, which could not stand the strain, and, before help could be summoned, the would-be robber took

New Westminster citizens turned out in good force for the election of a new retiring city fathers. The vote polled was in excess of that of last year. Results:

Mayor-Elected, James George Scott, Aldermen-Elected, Marshall Sinclair. 451 votes; Walter Ruthven Gilley, 438; George Adams, 416; Robert Lewis Reid, 408; William Angus Johnson, 405; J. C. ald, 346. Defeated, Albert Edward 306; Thomas Roscoe, 126.

School Trustees-Elected, Thomas ford, 471; John Mackenzie, 417. Defeated, George W. Boggs, 386; Henry Al-

fred Eastman, 286. Mr. H. J. A. Burnett had the misfortune to fracture his ankle on Saturday, which painful mishap will keep him a

prisoner for some time. The death occurred in this city on Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock of Mary Hargreaves, in her 42nd year. The sad affair was quite unexpected, and came as a shock to the many friends of the family here. On Friday the deceased lady was apparently in her usual good health. On Saturday she was unwell, but nothing serious was anticipated until towards evening when she suddenly grew worse and succumbed as above stated. The immediate cause of death brain, and it is possible there was some lection between this and the effects of a tramway accident which occurred to the deceased lady about seven years ago.

On Monday morning Mr. Thomas Davie, of Burnaby, communicated to the city police the fact that on Saturday night his fowl house had been entered and 30 birds stolen. Constable Dominy, accompanied by Mr. Davie and son, thereupon commenced a search. The officer at once proceeded to the premises of Ah Hoe, at the corner of Carnarvon and McInnes streets. Young Davie identified two of his birds, and on the strength of this the officer at once placed the proprietor under arrest. He then arrested Ah Lin and Ah Gow, who were asleep on the premises. The searchers then went to a neighboring house, Ala Duck's, and here they found 14 of the missing birds. Ah Duck, of course, was arrested, but he says he bought the fowls from the two men who had been captured in bed. At all events the four men are now in jail, having been taken into custody by Provincial Officer Lis-

The municipality of Delta has a large force of men at work repairing the break in the Delta dyke near Port Guichon. Mr. Norman Fraser, ticket agent at the local C.P.R. station, is confined to the house with symptoms of typhoid fever. The local messenger of the same company is also in the hospital with an attack of this fever.

The City Council met on Monday night pursuant to adjournment. The clerk, as returning officer, read the results of the civic election, the announcement being received with great applause. The clerk presented a pay-roll for the expenses of the civic elections, amounting to \$41.50, which was ordered paid.

The vacancy on the staff of the provincial jail, caused by the retirement over a year ago of Officer Calbick, has been filled, and the duties of the post are now assumed by Guard O'Connor. The latter, who has for several years had an outside position, is succeeded by R. B. Kelly, late of Westminster Junction, but now a resident of this city.

Rev. A. E. Vert united in marriage on Wednesday afternoon at St. Andrew's (Presbyterian) manse, Miss Lizzie Wade and Mr. John Christian Roper, both of Elgin.

Ah Him, the notorious Chinese chicken thief, who was arrested the other day, came up before Magistrate Captain Pittendrigh, S.M., on Wednesday morning on remand, and was sentenced to six months' hard labor in the chain gang in default of a fine of \$20, plus \$16.50. the value of the stolen fowls, and another \$6.50 costs. Ah Fin was released. A force of railway men is now at work putting in a side-track from the Canadian Pacific railway on Front street to the Columbia Packing Company's cold storage premises.

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The Granite and Banner, Camp Mc-Kinney, are turning out a \$500 gold run from the 150 foot level. A plant Coxey brick weekly. camp, will make regular shipments to 10 stamp mill.

the Trail smelter.

A ten stamp mill is being erected on A ten stamp mill is being erected on the Minn haha at Camp McKinney, and there are over 1.600 feet of underground is on the dump. About 400 tons of ore is Il be in operation about the first of the v year.

During the past few weeks a number of locations have been made on the ber of locations have been made on the five feet in width. It runs about \$13 m railway. "It is in the way of the build-last few days—the question whether our hill just north of Midwiy; most of these gold per ton, but values as high as \$100 ings which we purpose erecting, and must army is equal to the national needs. He have good copper showings, while a few are not infrequent. The ore on the dump be removed," said Mr. Ridpath. "We are asserts that, from the military point of carry galeria, which until recently was exceeds 1500 tons, and the ore in also making the processor.

The machinery of the mine consists of On this property a large amount of devel-No. 5 Cameron pump. Surface water done this season with the result that it is has been a little troublesome, but the new known as one of the best prospects in crosscut is dry, and the pumping will this district. On the property are two cost but little hereafter. The main line well defined veins, both of which have

Rossland Shipments. for the past week and from the year to

date are as follows, in tons:	
Mine. Week.	Year
Le Roi 2,560	88,57
War Eagle 1,920	60,72
Iron Mask 150	5,25
Evening Star	1,08
Leer Park	1
Centre Star 1,110	1,45
Columbia Kootenay	11
Virginia	10
Mountain Trail	2
I. X. L	7
Coxey	1
Monte Christo 100	10
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Trout Lake.

A ton of ore at one shot was brought down recently in the workings of the Nettie L. Th's large mass was almost

on the Eva group, in Fish Creek camp, from its mouth. This crosscut is now in solid grey copper. preparations are being made to drive about 18 feet, and when completed will two tunnels of 200 feet each on the vein, cut the vein at a vertical depth of 110 crosscuts to be extended right and left at reet." ly sample the ledge.

on the Beatrice. sideration the size of the showing, pro- Noonday ledge from the lake to the Noon-

mises to be a big thing. The returns from the shipment of 120 sacks of ore from the Ethel this fall netted \$370.54. Placing the average weight of a sack at 100 pounds, the shipment would amount to about six tons, which has therefore returned \$61.75 clear profit per ton.

In the Boundary. In the Golden Eagle, at the 60 foot level, the drift is in a rich body of ore. Near the Golden Eagle are the Volcanic and Earthugake, on both of which three

shifts are employed. The Yankee Boy and Girl will make another test shipment of ore to the Trail smelter. The last shipment came up to

expectations. The shaft is 80 feet down on the Sailor. In crosscutting at a depth of 15 feet four veins of quartz were cut, with ledge matter 15 feet between the walls. The Waterloo is looking well, Work of sinking another 100 feet to the 200 foot level will be commenced, shortly. The five-stamp mill is running, night and

Six men are employed in the Mountain View, adjoining the J. S. claim. The property was recently bonded for \$25,-90 day option.

In the Enterprise and Anchor, nearby properties. 12 men are employed. The Mother Lode has a shaft 90 feet Work on this property has just been resumed and will continue indefin-It showed rich in free gold from the surface, but as derth is attained the ore becomes more base, but still retains its

On the Cannonball, rich ore, in which is a large percentage of galena, is encountered the full depth of the 90 foot

On the Mystery a force of six men has been employed for the past eight months running three tunnels. Tunnel No. 3 is 100 feet in length, giving a perpendicular depth of 120 feet. The vein was recentencountered, and the full face of the tunnel is now in ore with average values of \$12 to \$20 per ton.

At the Oro Denoro, in Summit camp, a crosscut from the 200 foot level has extended 170 feet. For 70 feet of this distance it runs along an ore body. The working will be continued to the surface on the hill where the railroad

graders unearthed a rich ledge. Mr. F. H. Oliver, manager of the Morrison mine, reports that the property continues to look well as development work advences. The south drift is now in 130 feet, driven in ore all the way. The mor! will be continued 200 or 300

fret frrther. Work is heing resumed on the Little Rerthe. The 40 feet tunnel pierces a three feat ledge This is a free miling nemposition and ageors as high as \$160 In gold por ton have been obtained. The average in the face of the tunnel gives rolnes of \$36 in gold and 11 ounces of

S'I TON DOF TON. Two new 150 ten ore bins are being! The total shipments for the week and for

erected at the B. C., in Summit camp. the year to date are as follows: With the sinking of the main working shaft an additional 100 feet, and the installation of a new plant, including a Le Roi that the mine will be able to ship 400 Iron Mask tons a day. About 200 miners will be Evening Star

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the Golconda, Sm.th's camp, running a loops is down nearly 80 feet. The ledge, runnel. depth of 150 feet. A crosscut will be will be installed as soon as the develop- Monte Christo 100 From now on the B. C., Summit ment orens up enough ore to support a

The main shaft on the Josie, in Sum-A number of men are at work on the mit camp, is down 112 feet. At the 100 W. H. M. Ridpath were in the city during the week for the purpose of looking claim is about two miles south of Mid-run on No. 1. The ledge is from two to way. four feet wide.

230 feet, is being opened up. The vein ginning to get in such a condition that it at various levels averages from four to (an now be hauled from the Giant to the

of the Columbia & Western passes with- been traced for some distance and are in four miles of the dump, and at a 600 proven to contain rich ore. These two oot lower elevation. The Sailor is 4,000, veins run parallel and about 40 feet apart, feet above the sea level, and there has the strike of both being east and west been snow on the ground for the past with a dip to the north. On the Torpedo vein a tunnel has been driven. following the vein, a distance of 170 feet, and some The total shipments from Rossland camp very rich ore encountered which gives assay values of 192 ounces in silver to the ton and 50 per cent, lead. In the face of the tunnel the paystreak shows to be about pay chute is reached. six inches wide and appears to lay close to and follow the hanging wall. The other lead, which runs parallel to the Torpedo vein and distant about 40 feet, has been traced on the surface for several hundred 5 feet and opened up by numerous shallow 11 pits and open cuts. This vein varies from six to eight feet in width, and where opened up was filled with ore carrying zinc. 5 carbonates and galena. A crosscut tunnel has been started to tap this lead at a point about 300 feet below the mouth of the tunnel driven on the Torpedo vein. This tunnel is now in 20 feet and will be a little over 50 feet in length when completed, and will cut the vein at a depth of about 80 feet. Another crosscut tunnel has also been started to cut this vein, commencing at a point in the tunnel driv-

intervals of 50 feet in order to thorough- Work is being pushed on the Freddy claim, situated just below the Noonday-A large force of men is now working Curley Mines property. A tunnel is being driven with the expectation of cutting the A very fine strike was made recent- Noonday ledge, which crosses the property, ly on the Big Five and Sunset groups, and which cannot be found on the surface showing grey copper and galena of an ex- owing to the large amount of surface ceptionally high grade. This property wash. When the vein is found on this is situated at the head of the north fork | claim, as it surely will be, it will complete on Lardeau creek, and, taking into con- the chain of working properties on the

day mine. Within the next few days the question as to whether the gold-copper deposits on ked mountain, four miles from town, improves in value as depth is obtained on them or not will be solved. The tunnel being run to tap the mammoth A. E. ledge has now reached a depth of 85 feet, and within the next 15 feet the tunnel should cut the ledge. The face of the tunnel is now in country rock that is

stained and splashed with copper, The crosscut tunnel being driven to tap the Rockland vein on Red mountain, has now reached a depth of 220 feet, There is every indication of the near proximity of the vein, the country rock being liberally stained with copper that has leached out of the ore body. The Rockland has an ore deposit of gold-copper ore that shows on the surface to be over 100 feet wide, and the tunnel being run will tap it at a depth of over 175 feet .- The Silver-

tonian. Rossland Camp.

The Rossland Miner in its weekly mining review says: The fact that the output of ore for the past week from Rossland mines exceeded 5.800 tons, should demonstrate clearly that the camp is prospering favorably This is the second largest shipment for any one week ever made by the mines, the banner week being that ending Sat urday, November 9th, when 6.106 tons

Major Collins, on being applied to Suturday, said that the Le Roi and all the ther properties of the B. A. C. were proessing favorably and the developmen

work was being pushed as usual. Mr. Hastings was seen, but stated that there was nothing of importance to give gut this week concerning the War Eagle Hild Centre Star. The shipments from the latter exceed 1,000 tons, and are the largest for any week this year. The electrical compressor continues to run both sides satisfactorily, and one side of the big noist continues to be used. The temporary compressor plant at the head of the Centre Star mine shaft is about completed and loused, and the small holsting apparatus at the shaft in the 250-foot level is now in working order, so that both properties are in fair shape to do good work from this

The list of working properties in the camp now includes the Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Ifon Mask, I. X. L., Monte Christo, Columbia-Koofenay, Number Jumbo, Josie, Gertrude, Coxey, Virginia, Deer Park, White Bear, Sunset No. 2. Iron Colt, Evening Star, California, Mountain Trail, Velvet, Mascot, New St. Elmo Evening, Nickel Plate, Great Western, Paris Belle, Wallingford, Ethel, Green Mountain, Leiter, and several others There are more working properties in and adjacent to Rossland than at any time in the history of the camp, and the weekly steadily increasing.

dence, Saratoga countre was, at Saratoga, N. Y., yesterday, convicted of murdering his playmate. Jesse Blanche, at Providence

The Future of the Army

The London Spectator on Sir Wolfe Barry's Proposed

known as the Arthur Mires, limited. The promoters just as soon as the control was acquired sent out men to erect buildings suitable for a winter camp, and these will Monte Christo.-The Monte Christo started shipping during the past week. There are now nine men working in the mine

in regard to our miltairy requirements. corps to South Africa. That events have the shown that our military strength is not men are at work regularly, and the south great enough for our needs must, we hold, be taken for granted. The problem

made during the past week, and the breast will be started to connect with the new California.-The new buildings at the the hoist has been put in position it is Heather Belle .- Mr. Sam Forteath, man-

in the last 12 feet and are continuing to increase. Jumbo,-The tunnel on the Jumbo pro- to give our neighbors any excuse for perty is now in 450 feet, and work is be-

Coxey.-A contract has been let for driving a tunnel on the Coxey as far as But to grant this is not to assert that the needed, and six men are now at work un- only way to increase our army is to add der this arrangement.

Gertrude.-Nineteen men are now working of the Gertrude property drifting already reached the limit of recruiting north and south. Sunset No. 2.-In the Sunset No. 2 property, drifting on the No. 1 and No. 3 tropical places, which is the normal desveins west is being actively prosecuted, tiny of a British regiment. This being

and 27 men are at work. I. X. I ..- Work is being actively pushed in the crosscut from No. 3 tunnel in the tions of our military force in such a way I. X. L. The crosscut has been driven that we shall be able to release a larger about 60 feet, and it is expected that the

ledge will be reached shortly. WHEN THE FLAG IS UNFURLED.

In the hush of the Autumn's red splende The Flag of the Queen is unfurled To roar of the drums that defend Her The width of the world; And sound of the husbandmen reaping Thro' fields where the harvest lies white

s stilled in the hearts that are leaping To music of fight. From the outermost edge of Her borders We send Her our husbands and sons To strengthen the ranks of Her warders And stand by the guns;

That the nations may know that they reckon With swords which encircle the world When the drums of the Empress shall beekon.

Her Flag be unfurled. We lend Her our bravest and dearest,

Nor count up the cost of the fray, For the Flag of the Empress floats near Above us alway; And cheeks that are wet with the kisses Of sweethearts and mothers and wives Shall flame that their passionate bliss is

To give Her their lives.

Though we drink of Her wine-cup of sor And share in Her chalice of pain For those of our brave whom the morrow Shall bring not again, With love we have welded a thralling

When the drums of the Empress are calling, Her Flag is unfurled. LYNDWODE PERBIRA. Ottawa, Canada, Oct. 24th, 1899.

Irving Shaw, 14 years of age, of Provi

100 Are the British Forces Equal to the National Needs?

Increase.

workings. The ore chute, at a depth of immediately available. The roads are be- London Times raises a question which but merely moves at the officer's words, has been in many men's minds during the last few days-the question whether our her of locations have been made on the blar of host three bars have been made on the blar of host three here in width. It runs about \$3.10 at 10 army in the light of our Imperial responsibilities, and of the animosities and a Reitish regiment. (5) Lastly, we jealousies created by our world-wide empire. For this purpose nothing could be better than the formation of a league or for foreign and home use. At present we committee—call it what you will—of ci- bave a smaller proportion of guns to vilians who, without attempting to dic-tate to the soldiers in regard to their we ought to have the largest and most own special business, should contrive to efficient force of regular and highly Educate Public Opinion

find at depth. The men are working in with the least pecuniary sacrifice to the

three eight-hour shifts, and 31 feet was nation? The notion of recourse to conscription is now within 40 feet of coming directly we may dismiss at once as contrary to under the new shaft, where an upraise our habits and historical development. What we might do at a supreme crisis we need not consider, for our desire is to discuss ways and means for prevent-California are now nearly completed, and ing that supreme crisis. Our army work on them is being vigorously pushed. sorves two needs. It acts as an Imperial As soon as they have been finished and nolice in India and elsewhere, and it is required to protect these islands, we will intended to go ahead with the shaft. Fif- not say from invasion—for that we enteen men are at work underground and tirely agree is the work of the fleet—but there are in all 32 men working above and from that dread of invasion which, human nature being what it is, could not but do incalculable harm were these isager of the Heather Belle, says that he has lands ever denuded of troops. No one a force of seven men at work, and a stock could accord more folly than we do that

> to the strength of the regular regiments. We are inclined to think that we have as regards men who desire to lead a life of adventure abroad, and chiefly in so, it seems to us that what we should do is to organize the stay-at-home por number of the troops whose primary business is the policing of the empire. We would accomplish this in the following ways: (1) To bogin with, we would increase the efficiency of the militia, and ming it up to its full strongth, and we

would do this, not by a ballot, but by Increasing the Bounty. offered to militiamen; (2) next we would make the yeomanry less an affair of smart uniforms, and give it more the characte; of irregular horse; (3) more mportant, however, even, than improving militia is, to our mind, the devising of a plan for utilizing the services of that large portion of the population which alreadys knows its drill and understands how to use a rifle. Our plan. for doing this is to form a special territorial army. At present there are every year a very large number of men in full vigor, some of them only thirtyfive years old or so, who are passing out of the reserve and losing all touch with soldiering. To every army man who has finished his time in the reserve, to every man passing out of the militia reserve. to every man who has finished his militia agagement, and also to every man who has finished his service in a police force and was not more than forty-five years of age, and to every man who has been for five years an efficient in a volunteer force and was not more than forty-five. the government should make the following offer: "If you will enrol yourself on the list of the territorial army you shall receive an annual bounty of £2. and at the age of sixty, if you have not failed to carry out your military obligations, Steel chain that shall girdle the world

A Pension of 10s, a Week, ill death. Your military chigations shall of residence; (c) firing a specified number output is now greater than ever before and last October. Justice Stover sentenced him of rounds at rifle practice during the the youngest life prisoner in the state. | ercises on six days in the year as shall act in a similar capacity.

be arranged by the military authorities Certificate of Improvements une., unless of catured, accessors in summer)' Of course, this is a very rough scheme, but we believe that in some such way as tals a most useful reservoir of force would be formed-a force which would not be used to all up the regular battalions like the present reserves, but would be split up into bat-tal one of its own. As each man would be attached to the depot, armory, or cen-tre nearest his home, and as he would the split up into bat-tal one of its own. As each man would No. 19,948; E. J. Palmer, free miner's cer-tificate No. 19,949; and B. H. John, free tre nearest his home, and as he would be accustomed to go there four times a year to get his ten shillings, and to do his rifle practice, the work of mobilization would be easy and rapid. Such men would not, perhaps, make smart regiments on parade, but unless we are greattre nearest his home, and as he would ments on parade, but unless we are greatly mistaken they would be extremely for-midable for lining hedgerows and hillsides. (4) Next we would introduce a new spirit into the volunteer force. The attempt to turn them into imitation line Sir Wolfe Barry, in his letter to the regiments where the man never thinks, tion will be made to the Legislative Aslike a little wheel in a machine, should be abandoned.

The Volunteers tmined artillery in the world. Our ar-Big Four.—Work is still being prosecutin regard to our militairy requirements.

even if we should send a very large numed on the Big Four crosscutting the vein. Pending, however, action of this kind,
ber of betteries abroad we should have and the group is looking well. The ore it is by no means out of place for the enough at lower to stiffen a force of my is getting better with every shot and only press to discuss the lessons taught by litia, territorial army and volunteers half 10 feet more has to be opened before the the war and by the dispatch of the army million strong, besides providing for

Artillere Force required to co-operate with the nucleus of the regulars, who, of course, would level of the No. 1 shaft to tap the new is—what is the best way of increasing it always remain in the islands. Practicalof the regulars, who, of course, would always remain in the islands. Practically we cannot have too much mobile artillers. We do not say this because we at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the course of the province of British Columbia at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the course of the province of British Columbia at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the course of the province of British Columbia at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the course of the course tillery. We do not say this because we have been run away with by the artillery idea owing to the efficiency shown by that arm in the present war. We are fully aware that artillery has its limitations. We insist however, on a superabundance of artillery because it is a force which cannot be improvised, and a force which cannot be improvised, and also because it is the only force in which head of Alberni Canal; with power to

to try to throw seventy or eighty thousand men on to our coas's would be almost irresistible. It is just as well not to give our neighbors any excuse for making the attempt. We may take it, then, that we will always need to keep a considerable military force in an efficient considerabl ing actively pushed with a force of five then, that we will always need to keep hedge, every bank, every ditch. We have not mountains like the Boers, but we ficient condition within these islands. have our labyrinths of enclosed fields, and behind these our men might learn to fight as effectively as if they were rocks and kopies. Given that these two things are done and that we make our artillery

likely to be costly in the end. But when he lays down the office he will be Sir Samuel Chisholm, and, free of municipal cares, he may seek with greater chance of success the parliamentary votes of the people of Camlachie, who rejected him as a Radical at the last election. A teetotalist lord provost is of course a novelty in Scotand, and the experiment is being very closely watched.

SON OF AN OHIO MERCHANT OURED OF CHRONIC DIAR-RHOEA.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrohea. Some time rgo persuaded him to take some of Chamerlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited .-Thomas C. Bower, Glencoe, O. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

A Washington dispatch says the govern ment of Great Britain has designated F. (a) liability to be called out for the de- King, the government astronomer at Otfence of Great Britain or Ireland, ac- tawa, as its representative in the delimiording to your residence, but in no case | tation in the provisional boundary line be to be sent out of these islands; (b) put- tween Alaska and Canada about the head ting in an appearance every quarter at of the Lynn Canal, under terms of the the military denot nearest to your place modus vivendi of October 20th. The government of the United States has desigpated O. H. Titman, assistant superintend to life imprisonment. He is believed to be year; (d) going through such military ex- ent of the coast and geodetic survey, to

MABEL, TEXADA AND CHEMAINUS MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situate in the Nanaimo Mining Division of Nanaimo District. Where located—On Lot 15, Texada Island.

ments.
Dated this 13th day of October, 1899.
A. S. GOING.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an applicasembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway for the conveying of passengers and tolls for the same, and to generate elec-tricity for the supply of light, heat and power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, muni-cipal corporation or other persons of bodies; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passes. bodies; and to levy and collect toils from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, rallways, tramways and ferries, wharves and vessels built by the company; and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with rallway, steamboat, telegraph, telephone or other companies, and to have all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at the City of Victoria, this 4th day of December, A. D. 1899.

BODWELL & DUFF, Agents for the Applicants.

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also because it is the only force in which an army without the conscription can hope to rival one which has got the conscription. A nation which relies on volunteers can practically have as large a force of artillery as a nation in which military service is universal.

We shall be told, no doubt, that these bleas are crude and ill-digested, and that they are so in detail we are quite preager of the Heather Belle, says that he has a force of seven men at work, and a stock of supplies in, for the purpose of continuing work on the purpose of continuing work on the property all winter.

Paris Belle.—The first shaft on the Paris Belle has been abandoned temporarily on account of surface water, and another started at the interrection of the northwest and main east and west ledges.

Iron Coit.—It is now cleaning time at the Iron Coit property, and everything is being put in shape to resume operations. Norway Mountain.—The shaft on the Norway, Mountain property is being continued down and the values have doubled.

Norway Mountain property is being continued down and the values have doubled. Dated at the City of Victoria this twenty-

third day of November, A. D. 1899.

BODWELL & DUFF.

Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

are done and that we make our artillery the most numerous and effective in the world, the bulk of our regular army may be quite safely left to its essential duties of Imperial police.—London' Spectator.

GLASGOW'S LORD PROVOST.

Samuel Chisholm, who has been elected lord provost of Glasgow and lord lieutenant of the county of the city of Glasgaw, is the embodiment of all that is progressive in the civic life of the second municipality in Britain. One of his first official acts was to open the Rev. John McNell's daily prayer meeting for business men. He is so ardent a temperance reformer that he believes in nothing short of abolition, and so logical a philanthropist that almost from the first his influence and healthler surroundings. As the civic head he will be expected to entertain on a large scale, and, as neither salary nor expenses go with the office, the honor is likely to be costly in the end. But when he level down the office he will be Sitted.

A. L. BELYEA. Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated in Carlboo district Commencing at a stake planted two chairs north from French road and six miles in an easterly direction from the Carlboo trunk road, thence westerly 100 chains, thence southerly 50 chains, thence consterly 100 chains, thence northerly 50 chains to the point of commencement, containing 500 acres more or less.

Quesnelle Forks, B.C., Nov. 1st, 1899. WANTED-We will pay \$12.00 a week sal-WANTED—We will pay \$12.00 a week salary to either a man or woman to represent the Midland Monthly Magazine as a subscription solicitor. The Midland is the same size as McClures or the Cosmopolitan. It is now in its sixth year and is the only Magazine of this kind published in the great Central West. A handsome premium given to each subscriber. Send 10 cents for a copy of the Midland and premium list to the Twentleth Century Publishing Co., St. Louis, Mo.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.-In the NO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—In the matter of 3,187 acres of land on Pender Island held by the undersigned under Crown Grants. By victous misrepresentation and lileral process certain persons have assumed a right to advertise this land for sale. Be it known that the undersigned has neither sold, mortgaged, assigned nor otherwise authorized the sale of this land. Notice—Any person or persons found cutting timber or running up sheep on this land will be prosecuted according to law. H. J. Robertson, Moresby Island. Moresby Island.

Empire Building

Statements Showing How the Powers Are Increasing Their Territory.

Great Britain E sily Maintains the First Place-American Expansion

A writer in the New York Herald points out that the present day and generation is witnessing the most colossal process of empire building the world has ever seen. As if by concident recent events in different parts of the world have contributed simultaneously to this Empire movement. These are:

1. The South African war and its effects on the three great empires of Africa-French, British and German. 2. The break up of China and the mapping of "spheres" for new empire.

3. The Philippine insurrection and its effect on the American possessions in

the Pacific.

4. The British Venezuela award, extending the British Empire in South American authority in Cuba, Porto Bico, Hawaii and the proposed partition of Samoa.

Raughly estimated the British Empire in Africa embraces 2,300,000 squares miles, a region equal in extent to all that portion of the United States east of the Rockies. This includes the white man's country of South Africa, with its high table lands, its diamonds and its gold; British Central Africa, or Rhodesia, British East Africa, stretching from the Indian Ocean to Lake Vic-toria, and having within its borders Uganda, "the pearl of Africa," discov-ered by Henry M. Stanley, and now fast developing into a prosperous and modern community, with merchant and war ships alding its commerce on the lake and railroads connecting it with the

ocean and the interior. ocean and the interior.

On the west coast, is the Niger Territory, holding the mouth of the great waterway of Western Africa, under the control of the British Royal Niger Company, having such absolute away that it makes war and peace, concludes treaties with the natives and exercises all the attributes of sovereignty under the protecting care of Great Britain. Then there are the minor colonies the fold there are the minor colonies, the fold Coast, Sierra Leone, scarcely worth speaking of, as they are relics of past greatness during the slave trade days, It is in East Africa, however, from the Cape to the Mediterranean, that one sees the present imperial sway of the Briton, as well as the potential import-ance of this new empire. It extends practically in an unbroken sweep from the northernmost to the southernmost points of the continent. Egpyt continnes to be nominally indeper though under the protection of the Brit-Egyptian anances and British officers leading Egyptian armies. Essentially therefore, Egypt is to be regarded as a British sphere of influence and Kitchener at Khartoum it will be only short time before Egypt's lost colonies in the Soudan will be brought back to her and to the British sphere of influ-ence. The area of Egpyt and the Soudan was not included in the 2,300,000 square miles given as the British Em-pire in Africa, and if these dependencies are added the total is brought up to almost 3,000,000 square miles, equal to the area of the United States not including

A glance at the British possessions in Africa shows how strong the impulse of British statesmen has been to knit together his African empire into the

Homogeneous, Whole instead of detached parts Each part is reaching out to its neighbors. This has been going on motil the chause of a "Cairo to the Cape" route, entirely under British control, is no longer a dream. Already the railroad is Buluwayo, twelve hundred miles fro the Cape, while from the north Kitchhas pushed the railroad even fur ther. The Nile and the lakes give added means of transportation. At presept there is a gap of less than three hundred miles in the connection of Brit ish Central Africa, and the British East Africa, and with this gap filled the rule of the British Empire will in fact reach from Cairo to the Cape. It will be from Germany or from the Congo Free State that this gap will be made up, either by cession or lease.

Considering the steady development of this new empire in Africa and the manifold benefits springing from it, it would seem to be a part of this general plan that the Transvasi and the Orange Free State should be absorbed by the larger power. But it may be that these small communities will show a Spartan forti-tude and courage which will resist this hitherto irresistible tide of empire. Such result would be of doubtful value to the world at large, for thus far with empire have come development and pro-

French Empire in Africa. The French explorers and statesmen seem to have chosen Western Africa as their field of influence, as Britain has chosen Eastern Africa. The nows reach the enormous total of 3,000,-000 square miles. This includes the French possessions, free from contro versy and dispute with other powers, flourishing colony of Algeria, on the north, which, like Cape Colony at the other extremity of the confinent, is naturally adapted as a home for the white man. South of this is that vast sweep of country once known as the Desert of Sahara, and still referred to with derision by Lord Salisbury as "very light

But France has found unknown wealth in these sands. Already a railroad has crossed Algeria and is pushing into this former desert for the purpose of opening up the whole western section and bringing forth its latent riches. South of the desert France controls the headwaters of the Niger, with its fertile valleys, Further south is the French Congo. with the Congo River and its valley along the southern border.

It was from these western possessions | American process of expansion is a that Marchand pushed forward to Fa-

shoda, while another French expedition, starting from Obok, on the east coast, sought to join hands with him, thus demonstrating to the world that England's dream of a British Africa inseparable from Cairo to the Cape, was not to be realized. But while these plans were not fully carried out, France has developed her possessions in other directions, until she rightly makes claim of holding first place in the extent of possessions in Africa. German Empire in Africa.

The German Empire in Africa covers about 1,000,000 square miles, but, while this is small in comparison with France, and Great Britain, these powers have been long exploring and colonizing, while Germany came on the scene only 16 years ago. In 1883 the German flag was raised for the first time in Southwast Africa German East Africa was added soon after. Thus far, however, t cannot be said that any marked development has followed this movement, as Germany, coming late, took the least as Germany, coming fair, took the least desirable desert country, and even the scant possibilities of this have been further weighed down by officialism and militarism, which are the main characteristics of German colonizing, as against the local civil administrations which the British and French put into

which the British and French put into force.

In West Africa Germany has also set her foot—in the Kameruns, not far from the Riger country, and at Togo Land, running from the Gulf of Guinea back to a rich interior. With Germany's industrial awakening and her need for new markets, this German Empire in Africa is viewed at Berlin as a seat of future greatness.

Other Pawers—Italy, Portugal, Spain and Belgium—have their possessions in Africa but they do not rise to the dignity of empires, although Italy, but for the reverse by the Abysshian mountaineers, would have vied with Germany in the extent of possessions.

The Break Up of China.

The Break Up of China. Turning now to China, another field of Empire is disclosed. Here, however, the process of empire-making is still in eighty over wide extent of territory has upper Xukon river next summer, not yet occurred. Already, however, the planting of the flags on the coast Bennett from the upper end of the

The Russian "sphere" centres in north, in Manchuria, and reaches down to Port Arthur, where, thus far, the Russian rights are those of entry and exit. The needs of Russia are well known, and her moves in China are strictly ofollowing hers needs. Until China offered an outlet Russia was practically without a port on the Pacific open the year round although her vast possessions sought an outlet there. The

to her naval station, and the whole province of Shantung was made a special field of activity—railways, mining and agriculture—for German citizens—in

short, a German "sphere." In the same way France secured the harbor of Kwang-Chan-Wan, and concessions in the province of Yunnan, constituting the French "sphere," alongside French Tonkin. This much in the em-pire building in China is already ac-complished, and it remains to be seen how soon these "spheres" broaden into more substantial seats of empire.

Extension in South America. In the hurry of other world events the recent decision of the British-Venezuelan court of arbitration at Paris has attracted little attention. The territory in dispute covered about 75,000 square so that its permanent attachment to one or the other contending parties is a matter of considerable concern, not only to them, but also to the American devotees of the Monroe doctrine. The recent decision brought about two

essential results: First-The delta of the Orinoco, with its strategic and commercial importance as commanding the interior, passes inthe possession of Venezue'a. Second—The great sweep of country couth of the Orinoco delta, between the Essequibo River and the advance claim of the British passes, in the main, into

In short, Great Britain gains the bulk of territory, and Venezuela gains a strategic position which is valueless to a weak nation. But the overshadowing fact of the award is that Imperial Britain continues on her way, extending, expanding, and that her latest acquisition is within the Western Hemisphere. The good influence this will exert, opening waste tracts of the Uruan and carrying the white civilization of Demerara and Georgetown into the desolate reions of Barima, is another story, but is not to be doubted that the world will be the gainer for this conclusion of the Paris conference.

American Expansion.

This glance at the empire building throughout the world indicates how the part of the world movement. A hun- and Thomas W. Prosch.

dred years has brought marvellous growth to the area under American control. In 1789, when the constitution went into effect, the area of the United States was 827.844 square miles. In 1803 the additions of the Louisiana and Oregon tracts increased this area by 1,171,931 square miles. In 1819 the Florida purchase added 50,268 square miles. Then came the acquisition of Texas, 376,163 square miles; the Mexican cession, 545,753 square miles; the Gadsden purchase, 44,064 square the Alaska purchase, 531,000 square miles, and last, within recent months, the extension to the West Indies and the

Pacific Islands. But the most significant fact of this latest movement is that it is not a part of the slow accretion of territory upon the American continent, but is distinctly a part of the world movement-the reaching for markets, for territory.

News of

Homer Bird Convicted of Murdering His Partners on

esterday from Skagway and ports. Al-Ki. They bring news that five or six men arrived at Skagway December 5th group Dawson. They left Dawson No-vember 17th and walked nearly all the way, but fole a few stations with mall came. They report the trail good in places. Take LeBarge and Lake Bennett are both open yet. Lake Bennett is frozen up about a mile out from the head, but they have a channel cut through the ice about twenty feet wide. The staunch little steamer Alpha, which is owned and operated by Capt. Armthe process of empire-making is still in a formative stage, and, while the flags have been planted at Kiao Chon by the Germans, at Port Arthur by the Russians, at Wei-Hai-Wei by the British and at Kwang-Chan-Wan by the French, the actual assertion of sover-this wireter to run on the lakes or the Valvanian way. Steamers are still running on Lake the planting of the flags on the coast has been fellowed by the laying out of "spheres of influence," in which these powers will idirect their energies and their commence, these "spheres" being the roteshadowing of coming empires. The British sphere in China, like that in Africa, centres about the great waterways and harbors. By a recent convention with Ohina, the valley of the Yang-tse-Kiung river, 'tapping the inriver will be in shape to travel on. At several particular, bad places on the several particular, bad places only well-planted strategically, on the north with Wel-Hai-Wel and on the south with Hongkong, but she has the arteries which command the greater part of the interior of China. system of derricks will also be constructed and several new warehouses will also

be buit. of New Orleans, charged with the foul the United States district court, most southerly Russian port on the Pa- jury returned a verdict of guilty, Tues-

meeting is said to have been most pathetic.

Though Bird had to all intents and purposes deserted his wife for a woman named Yoma Strong, upon whose testimony, mainly, he was convicted, the mony, mainly, he was convicted, the wronged but faithful wife followed from New Orleans to Juneau, where she was in attendance on the trial from the day of its beginning.

Jealousy of the Strong woman and

quarrel with his partners regarding a division of their outfit and other property is supposed, to have led to the murder. The evidence tended to show that a third partner, Charles Sheffler, had supplanted Bird in the affections of the woman. Sheffler was also a witness against the

accused. He, too, it is said. narrow'y escaped being murdered by Bird, Sentences were imposed Saturday, De cember 9, by Judge Johnson on convictmiles about twice the area of Cuba- ed; Alaska prisoners as followks: A. Frank Temple, assault and attempt to wound, six years at McNeil's Island, this state; Indian Jack, five years; Indian Harry, three years; James Carroll, of Dyes, murder, second degree, twenty years; Chas. Johnson, known as Account Kid," one year for petty lar-ceny. Carroll the twenty-year man, is now 49 years of age. Capt. W. J. Rant, who has been min-

Capt, DeBrissay, of, Victoria, and for the last several months chief of police in the Atlin district, succeeds Mr. Rant. According to reliable reports the promoters of the Chilket railroad have selected Skagway as the coast terminus. This will practically kill the town of Dyea. The line will be built around the base of the mountains separating Skagway and Dyea. The terminals will centre at the foot of State street in Skag-Sylvester's wharf will afford the way, ded water extension.

The report that indictments had been brought against eight memebrs of the businessmen's excursion for theft of the totem pole is confirmed Their names were as follows: N. H.

Thousands

quake and Tidal Wave in the Molaccas.

Russian Troops Preparing in Case of War With Japan.

Details of the terrible death dealing earthquake which visited Ceram-meagre particulars of which were reported in these columns on the arrival of the Miowera-were brought by the R. M. S. Empress of India. The following is the Java Bode's account of the recent earthquake and tidal wave: "In the clear still night of 29th and 30th September last at about 1.40 a.m.,

have been some metres high, as it went over some fairly high trees, sweeping all before it, so that the coast now is a mud pool. A lot of people frm Saparola who were there for the sago harvest lost their lives. Those who escaped have dreadful stories to tell. One man said bodies had been found wathout heads and the suspicion exists that they were beheaded after death by the Head-hunting Hill Alfurese, another said a body had been found on the top of a sago palm, and a third had stories to tell of bodies swallowed by sharks.

"Great lumps of stone came out of the sea with the tidal wave. "At Hatossoea over 100 are killed and 40 wounded. The bulk of the people have fled to safer regions.

"There is a panic amongst the people on account of the hill tribes.

"The Positioner Mocross was inland

at the time of the earthquake, and owes into the affairs of South Atrica. Several his life to that fact. He reports scent-ing su phur fames both at sea and on which I am persuaded are not sufficient-tween columns and bases, and for overing suphur fumes both at sea and on land on and about 30th September. Other details go to show that the com-bined sea and earthqueke was very widesprend, but that the greatest dam-age was in and about Epapoetih Bay." 爱发发 Yusterday the Times reported the pre-

armtions being made by Japan as told by the Japan press. Herewith is an acount of Russian military movements as old by the correspondent of the N. C. Daily News at Pekin. He says: "The Tsungli Yamen received the other day a dispatch by courier from the Tartar general of Kirin (Central Manchuria) to the following effect: Officers commanding mounted patrols in the vicinity of the east coast report that a ground restrong, fortified position held by possessions sought an olike there. The most southerly Russian port on the Pacific, Viadivostock, is tee bound for six months of the year, so that neither the war ships nor the commence of Russia could depend upon this port. In this energency Russia has been awaiting a favorable opportunity to secure a more southerly port from China.

The German sphere in China grows of the wender, to have broken but of the seizure of Klao Chou in November, 1808. In the ninety-nine year lease, which followed. Germany was lease, and although apparently completed the moeting is said to have been most pathetic.

These troops had been quietly mobilized, coming from various parks of the territory, including those at Viadivostock, an operation lasting only four days. The manoeuvres began in the first week of October and lasted about three weeks, and although apparently completed the troops are still staying in their encompanies. As of the warlike openations took place so mear the Chinese borders a dispatch was sent from Kiran to the Russian general in command at Possiet Bay asking the maining portion of the army corps. in command at Possiet Bay asking the meaning of the mobilization. The answer was as follows: "Preparing for invasion of Japan."

That the situation is very serious in apan is shown by the warlike tone of the Japanese press. The Japan Mail in the course of a long article, says: "In the Far East we know that Russia

striving to gain a foothold in Corea and that in this she is being strenuously tion, as in the case of Ladysmith, Kim- is the beginning of the dismemberment opposed by Jupan. Japan evidently sees berley and Mafeking being taken before of the whole nation, a fact, it is hoped, clear to every Briton, as it is at least blows sooner or later, and Japanese papers have expressed regret at the fact that Great Britain, whom they regard of those places the numbers quoted will as the policeman of the Far East, should be very materially diminished. From at the present time be engaged with the these 80,000 troops have to be deducted South African campaign, as they fear from those required for keeping open that Russia may take advantage of this the requisite base lines as well as the to carry out her wishes, and that Japan forces necessary for checking the risings will be deprived of British aid in oppos- in the Cape Colony and in Natal and ing her advance. It is asserted by some, those need for garrison duty in the chief and probably with more than the pro- centres. I am of opinion, one which is verbial grain of truth, that a secret un- freely shared by my brother staff offiderstanding or agreement exists between cers, that not less than 40,000 to 45,000 Great Britain and Japan to the effect will be absorbed by such considerations that in the event of the latter being en-gaged in a war with Russia the aid of 35,000 to 40,000 for active military opthe British fleet will be forthcoming."

A Corean correspondent of the Kobe Herald says: It may sound absurd to ing recorder and stipendary magistrate at Bennett resigned and quit the service on December I, and is in Skagway by strong powers, Corea has obtained hear of Corea adopting a strong foreign usual percentage of sickness may therea good training in diplomacy. As is the case with a tyro on any subject, this in- have been removed into the military itiation has amboldened her: and she has gained greatly in her diplomatic dealings. The adoption of a conciliatory is unjustified—viz.: How can England policy won't do for her, she thinks; she expect to crush a force of at least 50,ought rather to present a firm front, and 000 Boers with an army comprising at only make compromises according to circumstance. It is exceedingly likely that fence? Consider that these 50,000 Boers Corea has acted in pursuance of this policy in several of her recent diplomatic of the country and all dealings. Apparently this new departure has been crowned with success, as witness the negotiation about the Chino- for the brayest, most competent Eurotowards Russia's demand concerning the they are manocuvred with astonishing land at Massanpho; the Ul-lung affair strategical ability, already revealed in batimer, George H. Highbee, Edgar B. Bubbleed by the success Corea has out; they can ignore question of fool apparently decided to try, a similar polarity d

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SOUTH AFRICAN WAR. German Military Officer's Criticism-He Contends That Britain's Force is Too Small.

German military officer writing to London Times from Berlin, under date of November 14th, says: Aided by a thorough personal know-ledge of the military conditions existent in England, and that to an extent perhaps possessed by very few non-British Double or Treble Her Power officers, notwithstanding the latter's in South Africa without in any way reproneness to most exhaustive criticism, ducing her power in India or in her col-I am naturally following your military onles. I mean thereby the blousands of operations in the Transvaal with the greatest interest. So much the more as who are able and willing to proceed circumstances have, during the past few years, afforded me an accurate insight ly taken into account in England. I take it as granted that you sufficiently under-

stand at home the immense gravity of

the war as regards the continuance of the British Empire as Weltreich, and that you are consequently resolved ou victory, cost what it may in time, life or money sacrifice. Assuming the foregoing there can be no doubt that England.

with its exhaustless sources of power, will be able to Achieve Its End, even should the whole of Southern Africa rise rebelliously against her might. The other and the real question is, however, whether England is not again, as murder of his two mining partners, J.
H. Herling and R. H. Patterson, on the Yukon, eighty-five miles above Anvil, over a year ago, has terminated in a conviction of the accused. The trial was had at Juneau before Judge Johnson, of of the forces which at first sight seem to be in employment. One is apt to overlook that just as little as the conditions of the South Africa of to-day can be contrasted with those of a decade rifles, their quick-firing guns, and strategical science comparable with that displayed by them in 1881 and 1884 when those aids were wholly wanting. Again, it appears that England is wholly de-ceived as regards the number of efficient combatants at the disposal of the Transvaal and Orange Free States of to-day. You continue to appraise their number at 35,000 to 40,000 men, when it actually amounts to at least 60,000. This body of armed efficient opponents you expect to defeat with a force of, all told, in-cluding the Cape and Natal Volunteers, hangs neither less nor more than the say, at the most favorable estimate, 80.able with the fullest possible considera-

> Can Raise the Sieges erations. It has further to be taken into account that the majority of the men are unused to the climate, and that an unfore be expected; that the local geography is a scaled book to most, and that an unusual number of reserve men have been pressed into use before they condition necessary for such a campaign. I do not consider that our German view the outside 40,000 men available for of-

Its Capacities for Traps

Corean treaty, and probably her attitude pean troops. They shoot admirably, in connection with Japan, and so forth, the triffing operations hitherto carried Emboldened by the success Corea has out; they can ignore question of fool Clise, E. F. Blaine, George W. Fischer fer in regard to what she considers as question with British-fed troops, and an obnoxious nuisance from which she they are contending for their rotten oli- Garnot election case.

"In the clear still hight of 29th and 30th September last at about 1.40 a.m., we were a woke from our sleep by a heavy horizontal earthquake in the discretion N. E. and S. W. which lasted about one minute. A half an hour later the water streamed forcibly into the Bay of Ambolina, without however submerging the land. The tidal wave only stopped at 7 a.m. There was lift e damage at Ambolina. The postholder at Anabolina. The postholder at Anabolina. The postholder at Anabolina of the postholder at Anabolina of the postholder at Anabolina. The postholder at Anabolina of about 1.700 soils, of whom only about 40 remain alive. The beach was strewn with corpses. In Elpapoetih Bay the fidal water must have been some metres high, as it went. able manner that an almost insignificant defensive force will be able to hold the place, whilst the main army can be deveted to other duty. Taking all the foregoing into due account, the conclusion has to be arrived at that if England means to come out victorious she will have to be represented in South Africa by an immensely increased numerical force, at any rate one quite beyond the proportions of anything as yet conceived by the public. Happily for her she

Double or Treble Her Power

onies. I mean thereby the thousands of trained men in all parts of her Empire south. Judiciously mixed with your able regulars they would be quite efficient for garrisoning the chief places in Cape tween columns and bases, and for overcoming any treachery of the natives, white or black. Such judicious strengthening would have the result that the regularly trained and seasoned men could be dispensed from such duties and would be available for the offensive operations of your regular army. Such men are to my knowledge to be had in England and in your various colonies in thousands. and an appeal from your Queen to her people in all climates would convert thousands into hundreds of thousands, from which only the best material might

And when one takes into account the remendons balance which is at stake on this war for England, surely the increased expense of transport and such like is justifiable. The fitting out, and payment of an additional 50,000-60,000 present issue, notwithstanding the extent for a moment: ce will be vastly less than will result if England continues to push on the war with her present insufficient troops, all too good to be exhausted slowly by an immediate imprudent parsin ago, much less is the military power of the Boers in 1890, with their Mauser tary mishaps during the present century have to be ascribed solely to her

Persistent Under-Estimation of her opponents' resources. Will your lenders repeat the fault in view of an enemy furnished with every modern advantage of war, or has she at last realized the advantages and responsibilities which attach to the government nt of 400. 000,000 of British subjects—the latent power at her disposal with which to safeguard the latent possibilities of a nawhole future and destiny of the British 000 men. I use the words most favor- Empire. An untoward end of the present military operations in South Africa clear to every Briton, as it is at least to every thinking European. An Engand which is impotent to reduce and hold South Africa is destined, not only to become the scorn and victim of all other nations, but is safe to lose all her colonies and fall to the rank of a thirdclass state.

GAINING A WIDE REPUTATION.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnston of Richmond. Ind. bas been troubled with that silment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me intil I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts ske magic with me. My foot was swolen and chiped me very much, but one good applica-tion of Pain Bain relieved me." For sale by Henderson Bros. Wholesale Agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

The unal Maditoba government crop bulletin Issued by the agricultural department reduces the August estimate of the wheat crop from 33,000,000 bushels to about 28. 200,000. The principal causes of shrinkage were a period of draught in August when he wheat was filling and the ravages of the Hessian fly.

The Emperor of Russia has probably finer hunting forest than any other living sovereign, but he has not time to visit it often. The name of the forest is Bjelowes! kaja Puschtcha, and it takes 1,500 feresters take care of it. It is in this forest that August the Strong was nearly killed by a

A dispatch from Winhipeg says F. H. Turnock and James Hooper, of the Tele gram, were arrested last hight charged with conspiracy in connection with

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