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IS RESERVOIR A FAILURE?

ALDERMAN HUMBER DECLARES THAT IS Mayor Hall on the Other Hand Says There Is No Cause For Alarm.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
"The reservoir at Smith's Hill is a complete failure. You can say that from me." This statement was made to a Times reporter by Ald. Humber at the city hall this morning.

Ald. Humber went on to explain why he took that position. He said that though there is only a small quantity of water in the reservoir—about four feet—at the present time it is leaking at a great rate. Some time ago, when there was about thirteen feet of water in it, it leaked at the rate of 150,000 gallons every twenty-four hours.

Asked what could be done to remedy the matter, Ald. Humber said he was of the opinion that the only thing that could be done now was to construct another shell inside the area of the entire reservoir. Though he had no experience in constructing such works, he believed that clay puddle could be utilized to advantage and would favor coating the entire interior with this material and then building another cement wall on top of that.

Ald. Humber had been told that Capt. Warswick, who represents an asphalt company, who is now in the city, has said that he could make the reservoir watertight by coating the interior with asphalt. The captain is said to have had large experience with such works, and he may be asked to submit his views to the city council.

After hearing what Ald. Humber had to say about the matter, the reporter called upon Mayor Hall. His Worship denied that the situation respecting the reservoir was at all serious. Water was being constantly kept in it. He did not know to what it was leaking at a great rate, and contended that it was never hoped to have it completely watertight. There were no reservoirs undertaken, and he cited the experience of Vancouver with a similar public work.

Mayor Hall, in reply to questions, said it was true that a further effort would have to be made to stop the "seepage," and that possibly before anything was done Arthur L. Adams, the hydraulic engineer, under whose advice the work has been undertaken, and who had supervised the work in an advisory capacity, would be sent for.

"Adams is the responsible man," said the mayor; "and we will have to get him to come up here after a while." His Worship, continuing, said that the reason why the reservoir did not contain more water was because the higher portion of the walls had been cracked when it was empty during the hot weather, and these had not been effectually repaired. He reiterated his belief that adverse criticism of the work was not warranted by the facts.

It is undeniable that the opinion prevails amongst nearly all the civic officials who have anything to do with water works matters, that the majority of the members of the council, that the reservoir is a failure—that until a large sum of money has been expended in its repair it will never be used for the purposes for which it was constructed. One alderman, who spoke to the Times yesterday, went so far as to say that in his opinion it would require an expenditure of at least \$25,000 to make the reservoir watertight. The city engineer thinks that repairs can be effected for a much less sum.

The work cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000 and took about two years to construct. It was built to plans drawn by Arthur L. Adams, of San Francisco, who has advised the city in respect to all water works improvements for the past six years. It was constructed on the day-labor system, and there is therefore no one to hold responsible save Mr. Adams, and he has long since been paid for his services and will be only interested in removing a possible blot on his professional reputation.

There is a general demand on the part of the public that an official report should be made in respect to the efficiency or non-efficiency of the reservoir before the present civic administration vacates office. If it is a failure the public would like to know it, but what they object to is the temporary policy pursued by it in any way connected with the control of the work. It is not improbable, judging from the remarks of Ald. Humber this morning, that a motion will be presented at a meeting of the council very shortly calling for a rigid inquiry into the manner of the construction of the work and its present condition.

E. & N. TRAINS MAY RUN ON FRIDAY

GOOD WORK BEING DONE BY REPAIR GANGS Charmer to Stay on East Coast Run For a Few Days Longer.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
Excellent progress is being made by the repair gangs along the line of the E. & N. railway, and H. E. Beasley, the superintendent, said to the Times this morning that he had strong hopes that the passenger trains would be enabled to move to-morrow morning. He would make no definite promise in that respect, however, as everything depended upon the progress of the work, but judging from the outlook as it was this morning the line would be open to-morrow. In the meantime the Charmer will be maintained on the run to east coast ports, and will make another sailing to-morrow morning, carrying principally freight, if the passenger trains get moving.

Belated reports of the damage done by the recent floods are coming in from the districts. The Times Sooke correspondent writes: "The continuous rains caused the Sooke river to rise and become a raging torrent, sweeping a lot of logs into the bay. The Sooke Hills have been covered with snow, and the warm rains melting it, prevented the rushing water. The fine bridge connecting the bay with Milne's Landing was partially destroyed. A ferry service has been instituted to meet the situation. It is hoped that the break will be repaired with all speed, as the volume of travel between Shirley and Victoria is a heavy and continuous one, and will be increased before and during holiday time. What logs that went down have been recaptured, but fences belonging to Mr. Sanderson were carried away."

The steamer Iroquois is giving a service from Sidney to upper east coast ports as far as Nanaimo, and with the Charmer on the run from this city this week the situation growing out of the tie-up on the E. & N. The Victoria & Sidney Railway Company escaped but small damage being done by the floods. At only one point was any trouble experienced. This was near Elk Lake, where some culverts were washed away and a couple of hours' delay occurred there on Monday.

A great quantity of water is now stored at Elk and Beaver Lakes, and they are now higher than ever recorded in recent years for the month of December. All danger of a water famine for next year has been averted, and the same applies to Goldstream. In respect to the abnormal rainfall recorded at the latter point, Theodore Lubbe, manager of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, states that while November's rainfall at Goldstream Lake No. 1 totalled 25.98 inches, that of the 48 hours from Saturday until Monday noon was exactly 11 inches at this lake. The nearest approach to these record figures was on the 18th of November, 1896, when a rainfall of 5.39 for the 24 hours was marked, from 5 p.m. last Sunday the record for the same period was 5.36 inches.

OIL AS FUEL FOR SHIPS OF U. S. NAVY

Big Tanks to Be Built at Yards on the Atlantic Coast.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—Intimation of the coming use of oil as a fuel for ships of the navy is contained in the announcement that bids will be opened at the navy bureau of yards and docks December 4th for the construction of a concrete oil tank storage house, fifty feet by seventy-five feet and twenty-four feet deep. Similar tanks are to be constructed at other yards on the Atlantic coast, and the supply ship Arethusa, now at the Mare Island yard, is to be brought around to the Atlantic and go into service as an oil tank ship. A concrete sea wall nearly half a mile long, supported on round piles and sheet piling, will have to be constructed in front of the naval training station at North Chicago, in order to hold the shore line of Lake Michigan and protect the inner basin.

Rock Island, Dec. 2.—When going from here to his home at Pith Bay yesterday Niles Smith, a farmer, 55 years old, met death in a peculiar manner. When found his head was hanging out of the wagon and was struck by the spokes of a wheel every time the wheel revolved.

Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—Ed. Martin, president of the Martin-Bole-Wynne Drug Company, is solicited to oppose Mayor Sanford Evans in the civic election to be held next month. Mr. Martin is president of the board of trade, and would be a strong candidate.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Minnie Corrigan, a nurse in training at St. James' hospital, died yesterday as a result of injuries received on November 23rd by falling down an elevator shaft.



MAKING IT HOT FOR HIM. John Bull—"This WILL be a Merry Christmas."

NO DANGER OF COAL FAMINE

TIE-UP ON E. & N. WILL NOT AFFECT SUPPLY Local Dealers Getting Shipments Via the Water Route.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
Some alarm was occasioned here this morning because of reports being in circulation that there was a possibility of a coal famine following the tie-up on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway. The Times made enquiries of the coal dealers and found that there is no ground whatever for fear on that score. The local dealers, because of the suspension of traffic on the island line, find themselves compelled to make other arrangements to get shipments of fuel from the mines; beyond this embarrassment there is no danger whatever that all demands will not be promptly met.

Messrs. Hall & Walker say that orders are pouring in with such rapidity that they find it somewhat difficult to fill them all promptly, and their present supply is perhaps a little inadequate for the great demand which has suddenly set in, but they have made arrangements to replenish their bunkers immediately.

Kingham & Co. are, luckily, in the position of having one of the largest supplies of coal on hand in years at this season of the year, and therefore they are in a splendid position to fill all orders.

The Victoria Fuel Company, who get their supply from the Pacific Coast Co.'s mines near South Wellington, have run short owing to the breakdown on the railway, but have dispatched a scow for a load, and this supply will be available on Saturday.

One of the coal dealers, said this morning that the snow fall of last night had seriously interfered with the prompt delivery of coal. The block trains are rendered very slippery and it was difficult for horses to keep their feet. Blacksmiths were kept busy this morning putting sharp caulks on the shoes of the equines used to haul heavy loads.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 2.—The investigation into the disaster at McNeill's creek some weeks ago when two I. C. R. trains met in a head-on collision, killing five persons, ended last night. No blame is thrown upon any party except Driver Whalen, of the freight, who was killed, and Conductor Thompson, of the freight, who escaped.

ZELAYA READY TO GIVE UP OFFICE

STATEMENT MADE BY NICARAGUAN OFFICIAL President Willing to Allow U. S. Secretary of State to Name Successor.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 2.—President Zelaya is ready to give up his office and allow Secretary of State Knox to name his successor, according to a statement given out by Consul-General Aitschul, of Nicaragua, who is commissioned as Zelaya's personal representative in the United States.

The statement follows the arrival of two cable messages for Aitschul, which are believed to have been from Zelaya. The news that Secretary Knox had sent passports to the Nicaraguan representative at Washington was flashed to Zelaya from here last night. The messages received to-day are supposed to be his reply.

"President Zelaya knows the turn affairs have taken," said Aitschul. Overhauling Transports. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 2.—Although the navy transport officials at this port deny that orders have been received indicating the possibility of troops being sent to Nicaragua, the big transports Crook and Buford to-day are being overhauled and put into sea-going shape.

At the Presidio there is an evident unrecurrent of excitement and unusual enthusiasm is being shown by the enlisted men over the possibility of active service.

INCREASED MAJORITY FOR H. C. BREWSTER

Later Returns Gives Him Further Lead Over Conservative Candidate.
The majority of H. C. Brewster, the successful Liberal candidate in Alberni, over Dr. Morgan (Conservative), has been increased by returns from Quatsino and from Holberg. The official figures will probably show Mr. Brewster's majority to be about 37. In Quatsino the figures were M. C. Brewster 19, Dr. Morgan 15, one rejected. Holberg gave H. C. Brewster 8 and Dr. Morgan 7.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT VANCOUVER

WASHOUTS NUMEROUS ALONG CANADIAN PACIFIC Eastbound Engine and Several Cars Are Ditched Near Agassiz.

Vancouver, Dec. 2.—At 1:45 o'clock this morning the first train from the East since early on Sunday morning arrived in Vancouver. Engine No. 876 pulled in two mail cars, two express cars and eight passenger coaches, with one dining car. The train was filled with travellers, some of whom had been able to catch up from the other trains, which arrived from time to time after the first arrival.

Passengers were full of the story of their prolonged imprisonment, but praised the management of the railroad company, which had coped with the trouble as thought it were an every day occurrence. All classes of the travelling public were represented, from the well to do business men to the emigrant from Italy, Greece and other southern countries of Europe. There were also a number of Orientals seeking their home land, who had intended to return to the celestial empire on the steamer Onafis, which sailed yesterday from Victoria.

The train had been expected earlier in the evening, but train No. 2, which left here yesterday afternoon had been ditched near Agassiz. The engine and several cars had been derailed, and the engine had overturned. Fortunately there was no one injured.

Following closely on the first train came three others. Each had the same tale to tell, of rain and mud and imprisonment. Washouts were always being encountered, but the system of patrol along the line averted disaster. The first trouble was met with at Gladwin, and from there on there was continuous delay. Beyond being well tired with the journey (which lasted for the first arrivals almost 200 hours), passengers had not much to say, and hastened to their various homes and hotels, where, after so long a time, they could once again enjoy the fullness of a sleep, made deeper by the cosiness and warmth of a stationary bed.

To-day's trains are on scheduled time.

Huntville, Ont., Dec. 2.—Lying in the bush, frozen stiff, the body of John Middleton was discovered by a searching party. Middleton left his shoe shop at Spruceville on Tuesday last, when busily engaged in packing his effects for removal to Cochrane. Searching parties have been engaged scouring the woods ever since he disappeared.

Quebec, Dec. 2.—A new Roman Catholic diocese is to be formed on the Lower St. Lawrence, comprising Gaspé and vicinity.

BISHOP CONSECRATED. Toronto, Dec. 2.—At St. James' Cathedral Tuesday, Rev. W. C. White was consecrated bishop of Honan, China.

MANY INDUSTRIES AT STANDSTILL

STRIKE OF SWITCHMEN TIES UP TRAFFIC Thousands of Men Idle as Result of Blockade of Freight.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—Every line of industry in the Twin Cities, Duluth and Superior and all cities of the Northwest dependent on the movement of freight, is seriously affected by the strike of railroad switchmen, which began at 6 o'clock on Wednesday evening. It is estimated that upwards of 12,000 men are idle on account of the strike order. Thousands of freight handlers and teamsters are losing time by reason of the freight blockade in the terminal towns.

The railroad yards are filled with stalled cars, and an attempt to move a few by the aid of the men drafted as switchmen is making no impression. The railroad managers committee announced that it is bringing in new switchmen to replace the strikers and President Hawley, of the Switchmen's Union of North America, said: "All right; let them come. We will not object."

Situation at Spokane. Spokane, Wash., Dec. 2.—Freight traffic was almost completely tied up yesterday on the Northern Pacific and Great Northern lines and all their branches centering here. Eighty of the 200 Northern Pacific switchmen and 45 of the 200 Great Northern men have quit. The total number idle here is estimated at 250.

The most serious development here is a threatened shortage of fuel. The Great Northern car shops and repair works at Hilliard, a suburb of Spokane, were closed yesterday. About 500 men are thrown out of employment. "Shortage of material" is the explanation given by the company.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 2.—The immense Boston and Montana mines of the Amalgamated Copper Company closed down to-day as a result of the strike of the railroad switchmen that has paralyzed traffic and trade throughout this section. Three thousand men are thrown out of employment because of the action of the mine officials. The inability to secure transportation of ore to the smelters at Great Falls has given as the immediate cause of the closing of the mines. Because of the resulting shortage of ore the Great Falls smelters were compelled also to close and the fifteen hundred operatives are idle to-day.

Freight traffic on the lines of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads throughout Montana is completely demoralized. In many railroad centres members of the Brotherhood of Trainmen have joined the strikers and no relief from the present acute conditions is in sight.

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RICHARD'S OFFER FOR BIG FIGHT ACCEPTED

Jeffries and Johnson Will Meet In or Near San Francisco.
New York, Dec. 2.—It was announced to-day that the managers of Jeffries and Johnson have accepted the bid of T. M. Ricard, allied with Jack Gleason, for staging the world's championship fight. The proposition accepted was the first offered by Ricard, namely: A guaranteed purse of \$101,000 and two-thirds of the receipts of the moving pictures of the great battle.

It is understood here that Promoter Coffroth is in the deal with Ricard and Gleason, and that the fight will be held in or near San Francisco. The fighters are figuring a big income from the moving pictures, and it is understood that the two-thirds share of the receipts from that source was a big factor in the discussion. The only positive decision as to the location of the fight was set forth in the bid, when it was stated that the battle must be held "in California, Nevada or Utah."

Tom McCarey, of Los Angeles, claims that the deal was "framed up" against him, and that he never would have had a chance against the "combine" no matter what his bid might have been.

WILL APPEAL. London, Dec. 2.—Special leave of appeal was granted by the Justices of the Peace and the Privy Council in Burchell vs. Gowrie and the Blockhouse collieries.

ASQUITH SUBMITS RESOLUTION

PREMIER CRITICIZES ACTION OF LORDS National Liberal Federation Issues Manifesto on Situation.

London, Dec. 2.—The National Liberal Federation has issued a manifesto on the House of Lords, saying that if the present action of the peers is not repudiated swiftly by the people the rights and privileges won by their forefathers in great struggles will all be repudiated. The manifesto declares the peers' right of veto must be restricted, otherwise no Liberal ministry can ever hold office.

A clash in the press is taking place between Lord Curzon and Lord Rosebery. A call has been issued for a great mass meeting to be held in Trafalgar Square on Saturday when the warfare upon the House of Lords following the rejection of the budget will begin. The call says: "The Lords have declared against the people."

It urges the people to destroy forever the "power for evil" now exercised by the Lords. Parliament will be prorogued at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, if the present plans are carried out.

The prorogation will dissolve parliament only until January 1st, as it is considered unsafe to end the session irreversibly. The budget debate was resumed to-day in the House of Commons when Premier Asquith presented a resolution stating: "That the action of the House of Lords in refusing to enact the financial provision made by the House of Commons for the year is a breach of the constitution and a usurpation of the power of the House of Commons."

ADMIRAL A. WILSON NEW SEA LORD

The King Approves Appointment as Successor to Admiral Fisher.
London, Dec. 2.—King Edward yesterday approved the appointment of Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson, commanding the British Channel squadron, first sea lord, to succeed Admiral Fisher, who was recently elevated to the peerage, and who will retire from the admiralty on January 25th next.

Admiral Sir Arthur Knyvet Wilson, G.C.B., C.V.O., K.C.B., C.B., V.C., is one of Britain's most distinguished naval commanders, and was from 1903 to 1907 commander-in-chief of the Home and Channel fleets, and in the latter year became an admiral of the fleet. He is a brother of Sir R. K. Wilson, the second baronet. Admiral Wilson became a captain in 1880, rear-admiral in 1895 and vice-admiral in 1901. He has seen a great deal of active service and served in the Crimean war, 1854; the Chinese war, 1855; Egyptian campaign, 1882, and the Sudan campaign, 1898. He was A.D.C. to Queen Victoria from 1892 to 1896, and was a member of the admiralty and comptroller of the navy.

BOY SHOT. Toronto, Dec. 2.—Jean Buckley, 16 years old, was probably fatally shot by the accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of her brother at their home on Oster avenue yesterday.

TECHNICALLY GUILTY OF VIOLATING LAW

Fines Imposed on Sixteen Men Who Pleaded Guilty at Portland.
Portland, Ore., Dec. 2.—Judge Charles E. Wolverton, of the United States District Court, yesterday imposed fines upon sixteen Eastern Oregon men who pleaded guilty to having technically defrauded the government of part of the public domain.

Col. J. H. Raley, a prominent lawyer of Pendleton, one of the defendants, made a plea for leniency for all. Col. Raley declared while technically guilty of violating the law their acts had been done under the impression that they were within the pale of the law. On acknowledgment of Colonel Raley that his advice was responsible for the defendants violating the law, Judge Wolverton imposed a fine of \$10,000 on him. On the others graduated fines ranging from \$5,000 to \$500 were imposed.

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BUDGET IS REJECTED BY HOUSE OF LORDS

Lord Lansdowne's Motion to Withhold Assent Until Measure is Submitted to People Carries by Vote of 350 to 75.

London, Dec. 1.—In a manner characteristic of the proceedings in the glided chamber and in direct disregard of the advice of some of its ablest and oldest members, such as Lords Rosebery, Morley, James of Hereford, and Courtney, and the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the House of Lords yesterday created a situation unprecedented in English history for at least 300 years, by refusing formal assent to the budget by a vote of 250 to 75, and referring it to the country itself for judgment, thereby making it illegal to collect taxes and carry on the government.

After six days' debate, notable for the high standard of oratory, as well as for the able and convincing arguments arrayed on both sides for and against the budget, and placing in every possible light all the aspects of the great constitutional questions involved, the House of Lords cleared for division at half-past 11 o'clock.

The scene was impressive, but in no sense exciting, except that the House arrayed of strange faces were seen on the benches, owing to the presence of numbers of peers who only appear in the House in most exceptional cases. None would have supposed that the event, proceeding as it was, destined, not only to prove memorable in the annals of British history, but possibly also involving far-reaching changes in the British constitution.

The vote was of Lord Lansdowne's amendment, that the House was not justified in giving its consent to the bill until it had been submitted to the judgment of the country.

Nearly fifteen minutes were spent in clearing the House, the tellers for division being Lord Waldegrave, Lord Churchill, Lord Denman and Lord Coleridge.

When the vote was announced, just before midnight, as 350 to 75 in favor of the amendment, a few mixed cheers were heard.

An eager and expectant crowd was awaiting the result in the central hall, and when the figures of the vote became known, there was a slight attempt at counter demonstration. The officials, however, speedily cleared the hall, and in a few minutes the lobbies and precincts were empty.

It is worthy of note that Lord St. Aldwyn (Sir Michael Hicks-Beach), who was one of the ablest chancellors of the exchequer on the Conservative side, has ostentatiously absented himself.

Among those peers who came down especially to vote was Lord Wemyss, who is in his 52nd year. Lord Wemyss distinguished by oratorical excellence, particularly the speeches of Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the former viceroy of India, and the Archbishop of York, both of which were of exceptional brilliancy.

The Archbishop of York's speech was his maiden effort in the House of Lords, and his eloquence, added to Dr. Lane's fine presence and beautiful voice, made a deep impression. The Archbishop strongly opposed Lord Lansdowne's resolution, declaring that it would be unprecedented in the House of Commons with such a majority.

Lord Curzon was plainly suffering from his recent indisposition, and had to ask the indulgence of the House, but in spite of physical weakness which several times during his 90 minutes' speech threatened to overcome him, he spoke with all his accustomed vigor and art. He maintained that the Lords had an absolute right to reject the finance bill, and agreed that the country was on the eve of a momentous struggle, which might lead to the re-

form of the House of Lords, from which the Lords would not shrink.

Lord Cawdor, former first lord of the admiralty, who wound up the debate for the opposition, maintained that there had been an attempt to evade the Lords' ancient right to reject each tax by placing a tax on one bill.

They were told, continued Lord Cawdor, that the rejection of the bill would cause financial chaos, but Lord Lansdowne's offer of assistance in order to avoid inconvenience had not been cordially received by the government. Therefore, he said, if chaos came, the responsibility would rest upon the ministry.

The people, Lord Cawdor concluded, could get rid of the decision of the upper chamber by an election, but they would get rid of an autocratic single chamber only by revolution. Lord Crewe, secretary of state for the colonies and lord privy seal, closed the debate with a speech that was frequently interrupted by ministerial cheers. Lord Lansdowne's amendment, he contended, was the negation of all precedent and flouted all usage. All agreed that it was necessary this year to raise a large amount of extra money by taxation, necessitated by the claims of national defence, and the adoption of old-age pensions. The sum total of the long debate, he declared, was that the opposition considered the government's method of raising money illusory, and that that justified revolution.

T. P. O'Connor is Pleased.

New York, Dec. 1.—Commenting on the act taken by the British House of Lords in adopting Lord Lansdowne's amendment to the finance bill, T. P. O'Connor, M. P., one of the Irish Nationalist leaders in the House of Commons, and now in the country in the interests of Irish home rule, said last night that the rejection of the budget by the British peers pronounced their own doom, and he believed it would precipitate an uprising of the masses in one of the bitterest fights known to English politics for a century. In addition, the turn of events, he said, would act as a vigorous incentive to the cause of Ireland's independence, and mean the final emancipation of the English masses.

"I am greatly pleased, and so is everyone who is an enemy of the House of Lords," said Mr. O'Connor. "Every Liberal and still more every Irish Nationalist, has known for several generations that it was impossible to have anything like steady liberal progress so long as the House of Lords retained its power to defeat or postpone democratic legislation. Ireland has been the special sufferer from the present power of that body, for the House of Lords consisted almost exclusively of the landlords, and the enemies of Ireland and from the days of O'Connell downward, every single reform of the scores we have won, has had to be won in the face of the opposition of the House of Lords. Its hostility to Ireland has been maintained steadily to the end, for now it stands alone in the way of a home rule measure.

"As to the effect in England, I believe the rejection of the budget will lead to an uprising of the masses, the strength of which the Lords has failed to realize. They will realize it before many hours. I believe we are on the eve of the fiercest fight we have seen in British politics for a century; that the fight will go against the Lords; and that before two or three years from now their power of mischief will be so broken as practically to be non-existent.

"This means the final emancipation of the English masses from the grip of feudalism and of Ireland from government of an alien parliament."

EXPERT VIEWS IRON DEPOSIT

COLONEL ALLEN PLEASSED
WITH MAGNETITE

Narrow Escape of W. F. Best
and Party at Campbell
River.

An iron deposit sixty feet deep and extending for a long distance is what Colonel Allen, the Chicago mining expert, found a few days ago when he went into the Campbell River district. The expert was taken there to examine the property by W. F. Best and party, who are the locators. A government geologist is magnetite of a high grade, and the expert has taken a number of samples for test purposes. He is highly pleased with the prospect and considers it very valuable.

When seen on Wednesday Mr. Best said that owing largely to the efforts of the Vancouver Island Development League a good deal had been done to open up that country. There is at present a good wagon road to McGee Lake and from there to Lower Campbell Lake there is a good trail. On that lake there are a number of boats and canoes which can be hired by prospectors and others. A government geologist has just gone in to make an estimate of the cost of constructing a trail between the two Campbell Lakes. This trail will also undoubtedly be of great advantage to all who are inter-

ested in the opening up of this country.

On the wagon road two diamond drills are working, boring for coal. One hole was put down on the beach to a depth of 2000 feet but with no result. The coal dips down in that direction, so now the drills which are working six miles inland will probably reach the vein.

Some promising copper outcroppings have recently been found in the district around the upper lake and there are known to be coal outcroppings in the same district, so that in the near future the district is likely to prove very attractive, both to the investor and to others.

As the party was going in they met the government surveyors who have been working on the location of the boundary of the E. & N. land grant. Sixteen miles of the 60th parallel had been located and the party expect to return early in the spring to finish up the work. This will settle the dispute which has been located, and which is claimed are within the radius of the railway property.

When coming out Mr. Best and party had a very narrow escape. They had just passed over the bridge leading to the lakes, when an immense tree, overturned by the gale, fell across the bridge and smashed it to splinters. Had they passed one minute later there would have been no one left to tell the tale. Fortunately the drilling apparatus has all been taken in or there would have been very serious delays in the boring operations.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—Toronto clearings for November totalled \$14,014,400, compared with \$12,074,422 for the same month last year, an increase of \$1,939,978.



REJECTED
Lord Lansdowne:—"Out, vulgar brat."

FLOODS CLAIM SEVERAL VICTIMS

LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED
FROM WASHINGTON

Damage to Property Will Reach
Hundreds of Thousands
of Dollars.

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 1.—The restless flood waters that to-day continue to submerge the lowlands of Whatcom and Skagit counties, are known to have collected their toll of human life in the La Conner flats, although just how many have met death is not known owing to the demoralized condition of the telephone and telegraph lines, and the suspension of all rail and wagon traffic.

No lives have yet been lost in Whatcom county so far as can be learned, but the amount of property damage will reach into the tens of thousands of dollars. County Engineer Lindbergh said to-day he could not venture an estimate of the loss at this time.

Horses, cattle and other domestic animals have been drowned in both Whatcom and Skagit counties. The loss sustained by the railroads will amount into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

So far as train service is concerned Bellingham is isolated from the outside world. The railroads of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific are completely paralyzed.

Wholesale destruction along the Nooksack river continues though the floods are receding.

Seven houses have been carried away at Ferndale, the Great Northern swing bridge has been battered off its pier, and the waters have undermined the new \$125,000 school house.

Not one bridge in the county is unaffected and three large ones may have been taken away.

Town Inundated.

Burlington, Wash., Dec. 1.—Every house in Burlington with the exception of the Commercial hotel is surrounded by water, and the flood covers the streets from two to ten feet. Throughout the Mount Vernon neighborhood and the La Conner flats the water stands from ten to fifteen feet deep.

Several lives are reported lost in the La Conner flats and scores of heads of cattle, horses, sheep and other domestic animals have been drowned. Communication by rail, wagon road or telephone and telegraph is now cut off south of here, and there is no present indication that the flood is abating.

The Great Northern bridge, one mile south of here, has been destroyed and the town of Island, west of Burlington, is cut off and the property loss is reported to be severe.

Eight miles of railroad track is either destroyed or in an unsafe condition between here and Hamilton. The damage sustained by the railroad, it is estimated, will reach hundreds of thousands of dollars.

In some places in Burlington the flood wave caught the occupants of low lying residences sleeping. Several of these buildings were plunged in water to the eaves, and none knows how all the imperiled ones got out of their homes.

All over the countryside are farmers and ranchers in distress, unable to get away from their water surrounded property.

In this city there is much need of relief and rescue work, and an appeal was sent to Anacortes for boats. From that point a carload of rowboats was dispatched but the washed out track prevented delivery here.

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LIVELY CHASE ON WATERFRONT

DARING ATTEMPT AT
ROBBERY IN VANCOUVER

Two Longshoremen Are In Jail
on Charge of
Theft.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—A running fight on the waterfront, in which a shot was fired at one fleeing member of a trio of longshoremen whose efforts last night to get away with a large amount of valuable goods stolen from the Weir Line Oceana, ended one of the most daring attempts at robbery on the waterfront in several years. As a result of the affair, two longshoremen named Charles Alexander and Oscar Erid, are now locked up in the city jail awaiting trial on the charge of theft, and one companion, whose name is unknown to the police, is congratulating himself on his escape.

Owing to the heavy rains in this city Saturday, Sunday and Monday the steamer Oceana was unable to finish discharging her Oriental cargo at No. 3 shed, C.P.R. wharf, and consequently the clear day of yesterday was made the most of. Men were put to work early in the morning and kept at it through the greater part of the night, so that the steamer could leave this morning for Puget Sound ports. No. 3 shed where the freight was being unloaded, was naturally kept open and lighted nearly all night, or until 2 o'clock this morning, when the chase of the would-be thieves took place.

According to the stories told this morning of the affair the three longshoremen had been quietly stealing valuable pieces of freight all night and catching it outside the shed, where they got it after finishing work. The freight consisted of Oriental goods. However, the three constables who do night duty for the C.P.R. along the wharves, observed the men's curious actions, and tumbled to the fact that something was amiss. Consequently they waited quietly until 2 o'clock when the lights in No. 3 shed were extinguished and the longshoremen dismissed, so that the shed could be locked up until morning.

When the longshoremen emerged three of the men walked off together to the place where they had cached their booty, on the outside of the wharf towards the C.P.R. depot. After observing the location of the cache the constables suddenly pounced down upon the men and demanded their surrender. Alexander and Erid submitted with a short struggle, but the third man took to his heels down the tracks with one of the three constables after him.

"Stop or I'll shoot," yelled the constable, but the man kept running. Drawing his gun from his pocket the C. P. R. man took a shot at the fleeing figure, but evidently did not hit him, as the man kept on at full speed, and succeeded in making his escape across the tracks.

Alexander and Erid were turned over to the city police.

THREE FATALLY INJURED.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 1.—More than a dozen persons were injured, a number seriously, when the Uniontown and Pittsburg express train No. 100, on the Pennsylvania railway left the rails yesterday at Manor, Pa., near here and ran into a ditch.

The fatally injured are George M. Scott, mail clerk; W. E. Quize, baggage man; Chas. Stizey, signalman. Among those slightly hurt was State Senator J. M. Jameson, of Greensburg, Pa., bruised about the body.

GRAND TRUNK RETURNS.

London, Dec. 1.—The Grand Trunk October statement shows gross receipts of trunk proper increased \$24,000 and working expenses increased \$22,500. Canada Atlantic net profits increased \$14,600. Trunk Western net profits decreased \$2,500. Grand Haven net profits increased \$2,400. Net profits for the whole system increased \$16,000.

About 45,000,000 pounds of raw silk are produced in the world every year.

REMARKABLE EXPANSION IN VICTORIA'S COMMERCE

Bank Clearings for November Establish a Record—More Than Doubled in Five Years—Increase is Steady.

When the bank clearings for November were made up by the officials of the Victoria clearing house Tuesday afternoon it was seen that all previous records had been surpassed, and that the prosperity of the capital continues to increase at a steady rate.

For November the clearings total \$7,200,485, as compared with \$5,049,844 for the same month last year. But even this increase of \$2,150,641 in a year is eclipsed by the rate of increase over October. In that month the clearings amounted to \$6,878,887, showing an increase last month of \$236,618, a rate of annual increase of close on four million dollars.

In five years the clearings have much more than doubled. For past No-

members the totals have been: 1904, \$3,283,037; 1905, \$4,024,506; 1906, \$5,049,844; 1907, \$5,052,519; 1908, \$5,049,844; 1909, \$7,200,485.

For the eleven months of the present year the clearings aggregated \$62,596,301, as compared with \$50,407,335 for the corresponding months of last year. The returns by months for the two years were as follows:

January	1909	1908
February	\$4,235,476	\$4,591,066
March	4,231,397	4,271,712
April	4,940,269	4,290,782
May	5,529,870	4,634,079
June	5,407,596	4,066,369
July	6,452,155	4,590,912
August	6,051,953	4,940,912
September	5,718,680	4,259,231
October	5,864,552	4,310,210
November	6,878,887	5,065,639
December	7,200,485	5,949,844
Totals	\$62,596,301	\$50,407,335

RESUME TRAIN SERVICE SOON

BIG REPAIR GANGS
WORKING ON E. & N.

Line Open Between Ladysmith
and Wellington—Slide at
Waugh Creek.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

H. E. Beasley, superintendent of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, said this morning that good progress was being made in the work of repairing the damage done along the line by the recent severe floods. The company had now trains running between Ladysmith and Wellington, thus allowing the coal trade to be handled, and it was hoped that conditions at Waugh Creek, near Goldstream, would permit of trains running by Friday morning. At Waugh Creek there have been heavy landslides and the work has been impeded by other slides occurring just when some progress was being made in clearing the track. A large gang of men is at work under J. Goodfellow, at Shawinigan Lake the water shows signs of receding and it is hoped that the tracks will be clear at this point by Friday also.

After being stalled at Shawinigan Lake since Saturday in consequence of the cancellation of the train service, M. A. Wyde and a number of other Victorians reached home last night, having walked the whole distance. They bring a tale of destruction due to the floods which will bear very heavy on the railway company; and despite the heroic efforts which are being made to repair the damage, there would appear to be small prospect of resuming the train service for several days yet.

At Waugh Creek, near Goldstream, there is a very serious landslide. The track is covered for a distance of 400 feet to a depth of four feet, and the earth is reported to be still coming down. J. Goodfellow, traffic superintendent of the railway, is at this point giving his personal supervision to the efforts to clear the tracks. It was expected that the work would be completed by the end of the week, but despite the fact that the company is paying fifty cents an hour they find it impossible to get all the men they need. They are hydraulicking the earth away which has come down and, in some places, track, but as small slides are constantly recurring there is no guarantee when the road bed will be cleared.

The section of the government wagon road which was constructed by John Haggerty, has in many places been swept out of existence, landslides covering it up in some sections and in others the water undermining it and allowing it to fall out of position. As the government has already taken over this road from the contractor the loss to the provincial treasury will be considerable.

At the 13-Mile Post there is also a small washout, and another one at the 24-Mile Post; and all along the line between here and Shawinigan the track in numerous places is either covered with slides or else undermined by the flooded streams which are now raging torrents.

Grave fears are entertained for the safety of the big trestle over Arbutus canyon. This structure is nearly two hundred feet in height, and it is reported that already one "bent" has been misplaced by the rushing torrent of water. Just this side of the big bridge is a tunnel, and to find foundation for the end of the big bridge a great deal of brattice work was used on the face of the bluff. This has been dislodged and the cost of repairing the same will be very extensive. Should the big trestle go, however, the loss will amount into some thousands of dollars at that point alone.

At Shawinigan the lakes are higher than ever before recorded. The water is over the bridge connecting the Strathcona hotel with the small island near the property, and at Koenig's the water is up over the lawn. All the houses along the banks of the lakes have been flooded. In Mr. Wyde's house he found it necessary to raise the bed up a couple of feet, and he was enabled to retire on Sunday night by stepping from his boat right into his bed.

On Sunday night there was a crowd of forty people assembled at Shawinigan anxious to go to Victoria. Thirty came down yesterday, having walked

the entire distance, and the balance remain.

From all points on the lower Island comes similar tales of unprecedented rainfall and flooded districts. Four inches of rain is said to have fallen during twenty-four hours at Jordan River. Conditions in this district were aggravated owing to the fact that before the heavy rainfall there was a severe snow storm.

IKEDA MINE HAS BEEN SOLD

PROPERTY ACQUIRED
BY C. P. R. INTERESTS

Smelting Plant Will Probably Be
Erected on Moresby
Island.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—Confirmation of the report published of the sale of the well known Ikeda mine on Moresby Island, is now at hand. The purchaser is the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, of Trail, in which C.P.R. interests predominate. It is understood that the price approximates \$200,000. A. W. Davis, of Trail, has returned after a trip of inspection which he made of the property in company with Mr. Ikeda. The negotiations lasted a long time, and the Granby Company, of Grand Forks, was also negotiating for the purchase. It is understood that a smelting plant will be erected near the mine.

The property is the largest mine worked in this province by Japanese capital. It was discovered some four or five years ago by some fishermen of Japanese nationality and 47 claims were staked. All these showed great wealth, but only one has been worked to any extent. This, which is known as the Lilly claim, has produced values running from \$1 to \$12.50 in gold, up to 186 ounces in silver, and from 14 per cent. to 17.2 per cent. copper per ton. The mine was floated by a syndicate with headquarters in Yokohama and was capitalized at \$75,000. The cost of shipment and treatment averaged \$1 per ton.

RAILWAY EXTENSION.

Amoy, China, Dec. 1.—The Imperial board of communications has advanced \$500,000 for the extension of the Amoy and Ching Chow railway.

PARLIAMENT TO BE PROROGUED

FINAL SITTING OF
COMMONS FRIDAY

Premier Asquith Will Move Reso-
lution Censuring the
Lords.

London, Dec. 1.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that he would move a resolution to-morrow that the action of the House of Lords in refusing to pass the budget constituted a breach of the constitution and a usurpation of the rights of the House of Commons.

The premier's schedule for to-day includes a conference with King Edward for the consideration of the speech from the throne proroguing parliament. Prorogation is announced for Friday.

THE INTERURBAN DISASTER.

Inquest Will Be Resumed at Vancouver on Thursday.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—The inquest held on the accident on the B. C. Electric railway near Cedar Cottage was again adjourned Monday afternoon and will not be held until Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. This third adjournment was due to the absence of Jurymen MacNab, who was forced to be present at an action of the Supreme court, where he will be detained until Wednesday at least.

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W. E. OLIVER STATES POSITION ASPIRANT FOR MAYOR

MAKES APPEAL He Advocates Settlement of Water Question and Street Improvements.

Some time ago the announcement ... candidate for the position of mayor ...

I have been asked by many people ... what my civic policy is, and I have ...

The quality of our water and the ... want of a sufficient supply are the root ...

I don't mind where the water is ... so long as we get it immediately in ...

My own view, which the ratepayers ... may be of use to them, is that more ...

With the latter object we ought to ... have all the water supply within ...

The arid town it has so far been ... benefited if it has barely enough water ...

It is no part of the qualification of ... a mayor or councillor to be either an ...

Having made their selection, the ... execution of the work ought to be left ...

WILL REMOVE TO BLANCHARD CITY AND RAILWAY REACH AGREEMENT

Extra Train Promised on the Victoria & Sidney Line Shortly.

at Monday night's meeting of the city ... council W. J. Taylor, city barrister, ...

1. Remove from the market building ... and take up the rails on Fisguard ...

4. Remove its present line of track ... on Blanchard street to the westward ...

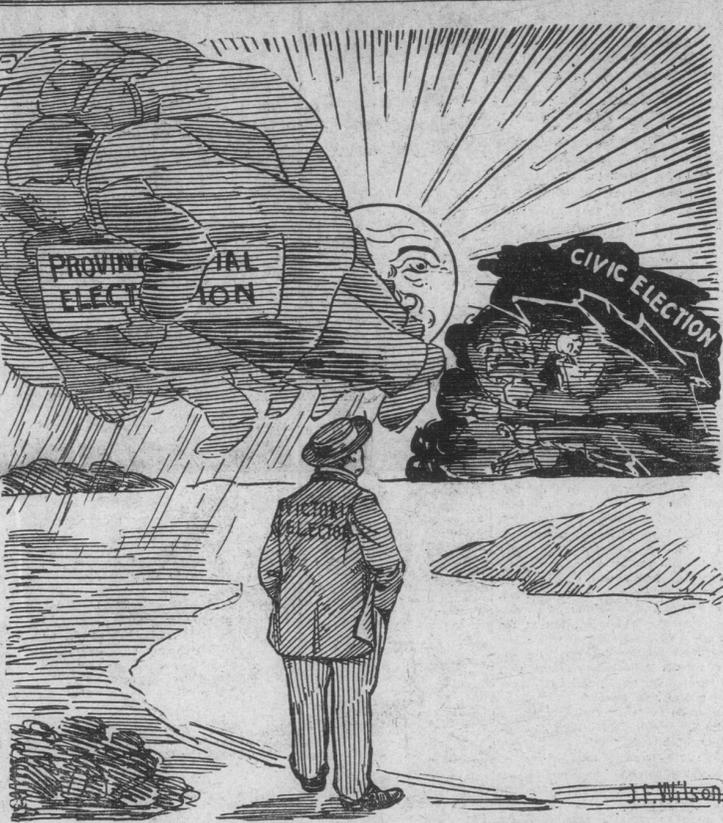
7. Release the city from all possible ... claims for arrears in respect of the ...

10. The company will run an extra ... train, giving three trips each day ...

11. The company pays the costs of ... the city in this action.

1. Close a portion of Blanchard street ... a street.

2. Release the company from obligation ... to maintain a railway ferry steamship ...



ANOTHER STORM CLOUD APPROACHING.

C.P.R. TRAINS ARE STILL BLOCKED

DELAYED BY SLIDES WEST OF NORTH BEND

Pitt Meadows Are Flooded—Workmen Keeping Dykes in Order.

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—This city was ... isolated last night but for the special ...

On Broadway, where a washout ... occurred on Sunday, there has been an ...

At West Westminster the floods did ... great damage. Part of Collier's ...

The weather in Vancouver is bright ... to-day and there are no signs of more ...

NUGGET FOUND IN PUMP OF DREDGE

Recovered From Rubber of Tubing When Repairs Are Being Made.

New Westminster, Nov. 29.—Curious ... articles are from time to time found ...

JAPANESE LINER WRECKED IN GALE

ALL THE PASSENGERS AND CREW PERISH

Number of Small Vessels Go Down in Storm Off the Coast of Japan.

Tokio, Nov. 30.—The Japanese liner ... Kisheo Maru was wrecked in a terrific ...

Twenty-five bodies have already been ... cast ashore.

Many smaller vessels went down in ... the storm and the loss of life will be ...

TWO ALDERMEN TENDER RESIGNATIONS

Members of Kelowna Council Regard Adverse Vote as Lack of Confidence.

Kelowna, Nov. 29.—At the last regular ... meeting of the city council the ...

Immediately following the reading of ... the minutes, the subject of the defeat ...

Ald. Rowell, the other member of the ... light committee, also handed his ...

On looking over the material removed ... a small nugget of gold was found ...

CRY IS STILL FOR MORE LIGHTS

CITY UNABLE TO MEET ALL DEMANDS

New Batch of Lamps Recently Acquired Almost All Exhausted.

When the report of the electric light ... committee was received at Monday's ...

Ald. Marble, chairman of the committee, ... said that everything was being ...

The report of the committee was then ... adopted as follows, an amendment ...

1. That electric lights be installed at ... the following points, viz: Lewis street ...

2. Re communication from C. E. East ... regarding a proposal respecting the ...

3. Recommended that the purchasing ... agent secure quotations for the supply ...

4. Recommended that the purchasing ... agent order 12 magnetic arc lamps for ...

5. Recommended that the contract ... for supplying steel poles be awarded to ...

6. Recommended that Mrs. Lee be ... informed that provision has been made ...

Imperial Tokay is about the most costly ... of a bottle.

MAY GET TRAIN SERVICE FRIDAY

HOPE OF MANAGEMENT OF E. & N. RAILWAY

Many Men at Work Effecting Repairs—Charmers on East Coast Run.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) H. E. Beasley, superintendent of the ... Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, said ...

The steamer Charming will leave to- ... morrow morning for points along the ...

The break in the water main at the ... Gorge Road ravine has been repaired, ...

The services of the fire engines of ... the city have been utilized in many ...

MUNICIPAL CONTEST AT NEW WESTMINSTER

Five Members of the Present City Council Will Seek Re-election.

New Westminster, Nov. 29.—The city ... election for next year has yet begun ...

However, there will undoubtedly be ... some changes in the council as Aldermen ...

VANCOUVER HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION

New Directors Elect Officers for Year—S. L. Howe is President.

Vancouver, Nov. 28.—The new directors ... of the Vancouver Horse Show Association ...

The assets of the association are ... now computed at \$50,000. This is not ...

SATISFACTION IS EXPRESSED

NAMING OF JUDGES RELIEVES SITUATION

New Court of Appeal Regarded as Model Body.

There is a general rejoicing in legal ... circles that the Appellate Court judges ...

The Appellate court, as named by the ... Dominion government, is one which will ...

Mr. Justice Irving and Mr. Justice ... Martin, who now go from the Supreme ...

MARSH WINS RACE FROM STANLEY

Winnipeg Runner Has Easy Time in Defeating San Francisco Sprinter.

Running in excellent style John D. ... Marsh, of Winnipeg, holder of the Canadian ...

Marsh led from the start, and Stanley ... followed him closely, but Stanley hung ...

Throughout the race Marsh ran a ... wise race, and his graceful stride was ...

TWO HUNDRED PERSONS REPORTED DROWNED

Lisbon, Nov. 30.—A terrific hurricane ... raged off the Azores Islands on Saturday ...

According to reports received here ... two hundred persons perished during the ...

ELECTRIC FILTRATION PROCESSES SUCCESS

Regarded as Only Hygienic Method---Action of Ozone on Water---Result at Plants in German Cities.

What is ozone? How is it made? And what happens when it is put into the water? And how do you put it there? There are questions that are asked as soon as ozonization is mentioned, says the Toronto Evening Telegram.

Dr. G. Erwein, chief electro chemist of Siemens Schuchert, Werke, Berlin, Germany, says with regard to the nature of ozone:

"Ozone is an active modification of oxygen, a gas with an odor similar to that of phosphorus trichloride. It is soluble in small quantities in water, and thus dissolved has a sterilizing action on the bacteria and at the same time by oxidizing a portion of the organic substance remove any color and improve the taste."

How Ozone Acts on Water.

Ozone differs from oxygen in that its molecule contains three atoms instead of two as found in oxygen. When ozone is forced into the water and comes into contact with bacteria and other substances the ozone parts with one of its three constituent atoms and instead of ozone we have simply ordinary oxygen so that after the treatment of water by ozone only ordinary oxygen remains.

In the preparation of ozone the electrical method is now almost exclusively followed.

Electricity's Alchemy.

Enclosed by parallel plates the air or oxygen is driven by means of a blowing apparatus through a discharge chamber, where it is treated to a discharge of electricity at a high voltage. The velocity of the passage of the air through this chamber is so regulated that the air leaves the chamber with a percentage of ozone great enough for the purpose of sterilization.

Kills Germ Life.

The ozone is then driven into the water towers and is brought into close contact with the water and by dissolving in the water it destroys the bacteria, leaving water that is freed from any contamination of carrying disease-bearing germs.

In the purification of water by ozone, the water is first passed through a special rapid sand filter to eliminate all solid matter. After this the water is pumped into towers and as the water passes down through the towers the ozone is forced into it from below and burns up an organic matter, such as bacteria, which is contained in the water.

In German City.

The water thus freed from bacteria then passes out from the towers and is ready for consumption. A number of municipal plants have been in operation for some time in Germany, and an examination of the results obtained is exceedingly interesting. In 1902 an ozonated plant was installed in Germany, a town of about 60,000. The water was drawn from the River Pader.

The water was usually good, but in times of great atmospheric precipitation the increase of bacteria became alarming.

The water commissioners of Paderborn because of a favorable report of the government board of health, decided to investigate the Siemens, Schuchert Ozone System. As a result they decided to put in an ozone plant.

Result of Ozone Plant.

This plant has worked continuously night and day since 1902, and so results can be studied through a consistent period.

Detailed results are at hand, from July 13th, 1904, to July 30th, 1907.

Bacteria Per Cubic Centimetre.

Date.	Raw Water.	Ozonized Water.	Date.	Raw Water.	Ozonized Water.
1-9-04...	124	4	2-6-06...	300	3
2-1-04...	188	4	3-6-06...	215	2
3-1-04...	739	3	18-6-06...	103	2
8-10-04...	154	4	17-7-06...	696	3
4-11-04...	123	6	25-7-06...	3,869	1
21-11-04...	2,712	2	7-8-06...	714	5
12-11-04...	3,069	13	27-7-06...	714	5
13-11-04...	826	11	15-8-06...	1,032	4
24-11-04...	209	1	18-8-06...	888	1
30-11-04...	209	2	17-9-06...	1,285	1
19-12-04...	110	4	4-9-06...	89	1
7-1-05...	1,580	4	18-9-06...	178	1
26-1-05...	103	2	4-10-06...	257	4
7-2-05...	198	3	18-10-06...	146	3
20-2-05...	132	1	7-11-06...	492	1
7-3-05...	87	3	19-11-06...	574	3
23-3-05...	181	2	30-11-06...	1,188	14
3-4-05...	134	2	1-12-06...	664	17
19-4-05...	124	5	2-12-06...	1,086	11
7-5-05...	167	3	14-12-06...	696	5
20-5-05...	128	4	24-1-07...	84	1
5-6-05...	156	3	10-1-07...	121	1
6-6-05...	744	2	4-1-07...	394	18
17-6-05...	169	1	4-10-06...	788	1
8-6-05...	180	2	11-2-07...	197	6
21-6-05...	154	2	14-2-07...	222	2
37-6-05...	307	2	16-2-07...	296	2
18-7-05...	227	3	18-2-07...	1,020	10
19-7-05...	386	7	19-2-07...	2,200	7
23-7-05...	1,800	5	27-2-07...	159	1
30-7-05...	2,632	9	28-2-07...	125	1
31-7-05...	998	1	1-3-07...	188	1
8-8-05...	279	6	8-3-07...	62	3
19-8-05...	122	4	28-3-07...	67	12
29-8-05...	698	2	15-4-07...	163	2
23-9-05...	137	4	29-4-07...	71	3
10-10-05...	718	2	25-4-07...	82	1
28-10-05...	1,490	1	26-4-07...	91	1
17-10-05...	1,338	1	27-4-07...	84	1
19-10-05...	228	1	4-5-07...	66	1
4-11-05...	121	3	5-5-07...	92	4
20-11-05...	104	2	11-5-07...	100	1
6-12-05...	103	1	12-5-07...	100	1
20-12-05...	147	2	16-5-07...	49	2
1-1-06...	235	1	17-5-07...	114	3
15-1-06...	320	3	18-5-07...	90	2
51-2-06...	127	1	3-6-07...	376	2
20-2-06...	108	1	4-6-07...	84	3
3-3-06...	756	4	5-6-07...	65	1
10-3-06...	293	4	12-6-07...	469	2
5-4-06...	182	1	14-6-07...	275	10
25-4-06...	81	1	15-6-07...	198	2
8-5-06...	135	2	25-6-07...	369	2
15-5-06...	242	3	4-7-07...	2,343	8
14-5-06...	177	1	5-7-07...	667	11

Official tests of water in ozone plant, Paderborn, Germany, were not examined immediately after it was ozonized, but a period of two days was allowed to elapse before the examination was made, giving the bacteria every possible chance if any were left in the purified water.

It will be seen in the experience of Paderborn that they have had since 1904 from 200 to 3,000 bacteria in the raw water, that is in the river water, before it was treated by the ozone. The detailed chart show that in 124 examinations covering a period of three and a half years the water has shown a general average of five bacteria to the cubic centimeter after treatment.

At Wiesbaden the ozone works are put in on much the same plan as at Paderborn. The works are constructed for treating 1,534,000 gallons every 24 hours. The population of Wiesbaden is slightly over 100,000. It is a health resort and the water is taken from springs.

Excellent Results.

The results obtained at Wiesbaden are in every way as satisfactory as those at Paderborn in relation to the destruction of bacteria in the water. The plant here is seven years old.

At Martinkendorf the Siemens put up an experimental ozone waterworks. This plant was put in for the treatment of surface-water and has served as a model for the equipment of the ozone works erected in Germany. Here also were conducted the experiments of the Imperial health office and Koch's Institute.

Dirty Water Treated.

This plant consisted of a rapid filtering department, sterilized towers and the ozonizers. The water treated was taken from the River Spree. It was of a quality such as to contain a million of bacteria to the cubic centimeter.

The experiments were continued over a period of several months, and were especially directed to discover the action of ozone on the bacteria of cholera, typhus and dysentery, if the water contained a greater number of germs than the water of the Spree usually contains.

Water was taken from the Spree and infected with cholera bacteria to the extent of 600,000 per cubic centimeter.

Koch Institute Test.

This water was then passed through the ozone plant, and an examination by Koch's Institute failed to reveal one disease-bearing bacteria.

Exactly the same results were obtained in the cases of water infected with typhus germs and the bacteria of dysentery, to the extent of 600,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter in every case after the most elaborate tests made by the Imperial health bureau and the Koch Institute. No disease-bearing bacteria were found in the water after it was ozonized. The results obtained show that so far as the purifying of water is concerned the ozone system, when properly constructed and applied, is the most scientific and successful in the known world.

Paris Will Adopt Ozone.

The municipality of Paris, France, has had a water problem on its hands for years. Some time ago experiments were made with a variety of ozone plants. These plants were reduced to two, and these two are now in operation in Paris. At the end of the year the results from each plant will be obtained. Then the city will put in a plant, with an immediate capacity of 11,880,000 gallons a day.

St. Petersburg has had an epidemic of cholera. The sand filtration plant broke down, and during the present year the city has placed an order for an ozone plant, with a capacity of 1,267,200 gallons a day, which will be increased at once sevenfold as soon as the establishments can be erected.

Used in War.

During the Russian-Japanese war the Russian government ordered some portable ozone establishments. These were constructed. The whole plant was contained in two wagons. Each plant had a capacity of from 600 to 1,200 gallons an hour. Two of these were taken to Mukden, one to Harbin, one to Vladivostok, and it is interesting to know that they are in operation at the present time.

Such a system would greatly recommend itself in cases like Cobalt, where fever has been epidemic, and where the question of water is of such paramount importance.

The Cost.

The question of cost is a difficult one to settle. In Germany there is no such waste of water as here. Then, again, power costs more there than here. At Paderborn producer gas is used to generate electricity. In Wiesbaden steam power is used. In Ontario electric power generated from waterfalls would be used and be much cheaper.

Low for Big Plant.

The experience in Germany shows that the larger the plant the smaller the cost per gallon, and the decrease of cost is greater when a large number of gallons per day is treated.

Relative to sand filtration, Dr. Erwein, after an experience of 14 years, says that considering the whole cost of putting in both plants and cost of

TWO STEAMERS FOR THIS COAST

C. P. R. DECIDE TO BUILD AT ONCE

Million and Half to Be Spent and Vessels Ready Next Season.

A special dispatch from Winnipeg states that the C. P. R. have definitely decided to build two new steamers for this coast to cost a million and a half dollars. They will be ready for next season and will be laid down immediately.

Before leaving for the East on route to England, Captain Troup, superintendent of the C. P. R. coast service of the C. P. R., stated that the vessels to be built would be smaller than the Princess Charlotte, as such vessels would not be so costly to operate. One of these is to be used on the northern or ferry service.

The Charmer, according to Captain Troup, must either go out of business altogether in the near future or be rebuilt. It is practically decided that the former will be the course adopted, investment in the latest Loyalty rebuilding her would be too great to warrant its being done.

MORE WARSHIPS FOR NICARAGUA

UNLCE SAM PREPARES FOR DRASTIC ACTION

Diplomatic Relations With Zelaya's Government Are Broken Off.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—There is every indication to-day that Uncle Sam intends to force the immediate solution of the Nicaraguan situation, and the action of Secretary of State Knox in discontinuing diplomatic relations with the Zelaya government means an immediate movement looking toward a domination of the situation.

Secretary Knox handed Nicaraguan Minister Rodriguez his passport to-day. In a letter he says he holds Zelaya personally responsible for the deaths of Americans.

The order for the transport Prairie to sail this afternoon with 700 marines from Philadelphia for Central American waters, and orders from the navy department for the cruiser Albany and the gunboat Yorktown, now at Magdalena Bay, to proceed to Corinto, on west coast of Nicaragua, means that this country has decided that war measures are necessary. The action of Secretary Knox, known to be with the full approval of the president, is as near an open declaration of war as could be possible under the circumstances.

A declaration of war would have to be by congress, and congress will be in session next week by the time the ships dispatched to-day are nearing their destination.

If it should develop that actual use of force will be required to restore peace, the matter can be quickly and effectively presented.

The marines sailing from Philadelphia to-day are fully equipped with ammunition and supplies for a hard campaign. In every way their departure has the appearance of "meaning business."

The gunboat Yorktown and the cruiser Albany are ordered to proceed southward to-morrow. They will join the Des Moines on the west coast of Nicaragua. Manila to deal with the representatives of Rodriguez, who is near the west coast and it is probable that any movement made by him would be in the direction of the Pacific.

It is known that the state department is in possession of much more information than has been made public, and there is probably more reason for the statement of Rodriguez than are apparent on the surface.

In some quarters it is believed that the United States, acting in conjunction with Mexico and other Central American states, will not only force Zelaya to retire, but will demand that a new state of affairs be established, and that the whole country be renovated morally and politically.

Everything points to the probability of the United States having determined to treat with Zelaya only as an enemy. The positive refusal of Rodriguez to deal with the representatives has settled that point.

It is understood that Senator Rodriguez, who received the notification of this government through the letter of Secretary Knox last night, has been in receipt of a number of cipher cable messages to-day, and it is generally believed that Zelaya has admitted that he is at the end of his resources.

The statement of Rodriguez last night that he was crushed was supplemented by similar expression of disappointment to-day. If there were any means of gaining an audience there is practically no doubt that Rodriguez would plea for a diplomatic settlement upon any terms.

DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED.

Boston, Dec. 1.—A commutation of sentence from death to life imprisonment was the recommendation which the pardon committee of the executive council made yesterday to Governor Draper in the cases of the two Chinamen, Warry Charles and Joe Guey, who were convicted with three others of murder in the first degree in connection with the tong war in Chinatown in this city in 1907.

MORE STEAMERS FOR PACIFIC COAST TRADE

Seattle Man Looking for Vessel in New York City.

The Alaska Coast Company, operating the steamers Portland and Bertha regularly, and the steamer Jeanie when the traffic demands it, between Seattle and Prince William Sound ports and Southwestern Alaska, will purchase another vessel to replace the Bertha on the run. The company is reported to have an option on the steamship Kentucky on the Atlantic coast, and H. F. Alexander, general manager of the company, is now in the East, where he has been joined by P. L. Plasket, chief engineer of the company.

"The Alaska Coast Company has not yet closed a deal for a new steamship," said Marcus Talbot, manager of the Alaska Pacific Company, an allied company, when asked as to the reported purchase of a new vessel. "Mr. Alexander is in New York, and if he sees a boat that looks good to him he may buy it."

While the Kentucky has been freely mentioned as the steamship that will be ultimately purchased by the company, local officials refuse to authorize a statement admitting that she is the vessel they are after. The Kentucky is a Bertha, built, twin screw, wooden steamer, and has been in the Atlantic coast trade for some years, part of the time running to Cuba, and at one time running to Cuba. The vessel was launched as the Lincoln, and on changing hands was renamed the Maximine when she went South. Her last purchasers changed the name again to the Kentucky.

The vessel is a big passenger carrier, but not a heavy freighter, her net register being only 832 tons. She is 203.5 feet long, has a beam of 39.5 feet and a depth of hold of 23 feet. She carries a crew of forty-three hands and her engines have an indicated horse power of 1,600. Her registers are the Hartford & New York Transportation Company.

The remarkable fact that the crew had an insurance interest in the Glasgow steamer Longwood came out at the Board of Trade inquiry at Newcastle into the stranding of the vessel. She went ashore on the Mouse Bank, at the mouth of the Thames on Sept. 3rd.

Judgment was delivered by the court on Monday, the inquiry having lasted eight days.

The evidence was that the Longwood left the Thames for the Tyne on Sept. 3rd, and twice during the day a pin controlling her steering gear mysteriously dropped out. The first time was in the Gravesend reach, and the second led to her stranding. After getting off the bank she proceeded towards the Tyne, and about an hour or two later began to fill and was eventually towed into Lowestoft in a sinking condition.

The mystery was that upon examination no trace could be found of any means by which the water got in, there being no leak.

The court found that the crew had no insurance on the vessel, and that there were suspicious circumstances pointing to the chief engineer having deliberately let the water into the vessel, but, while giving him the benefit of the doubt on that point, the court was satisfied that he must have known the cause of the vessel making so much water and neglected to take adequate measures to prevent the influx.

The court also found the master—Capt. Alexander Duncan—at default in not taking steps to ascertain the cause of the influx of the water, (2) for not making effort to keep the water under, (3) for not heading the vessel to shore while its propelling power worked; and (4) for refusing assistance when the vessel was in a sinking condition.

The court further found the chief engineer at fault (1) in not keeping the suction pipes and pumping arrangements clear and in working order; (2) for not making arrangements to prevent an influx of water; and (3) for not making every possible effort to keep the water under.

The court therefore ordered the master to pay £50, and the chief engineer, John Park, £40 towards the cost of the inquiry.

RETURNED UNOPOSED.

Quebec, Dec. 2.—Mr. Dupuis, government candidate in Kamouraska, was elected yesterday by acclamation. Mr. Morin, his opponent, having withdrawn from the contest.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT WINS PRIZES

Carries Off Honors at the Colonial Show in London.

London, Dec. 2.—Princess Louise opened the colonial fruit show at the horticultural hall yesterday.

The following prize winners were announced:

The government of British Columbia, for apples, a gold medal.

Kaslo district, silver and gilt Banksonian medal.

Salt Spring Island, silver and gilt Knightian medal.

C. T. Cooney silver Knightian medal.

UNITED STATES CROP REPORTS

PRICES HIGH, SAYS SEC. OF AGRICULTURE

Value of Farm Products Placed at Nearly Nine Billions.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, has presented to the president his thirteenth annual report, covering the work of his department for 1909. "Most prosperous of all years," is the secretary's estimate of 1909 in its relation to the farmers. "The yield has been bountiful with most crops, and prices have been high."

"The value of farm products," says Secretary Wilson, "is so incomprehensibly large that it has become merely a row of figures. For this year it is \$8,760,000,000; the gain of this year over the preceding one is \$688,000,000. The value of the products has nearly doubled in ten years."

"Eleven years of agriculture, beginning with a production of \$4,417,000,000 and ending with \$8,760,000,000. A sum of \$70,000,000 for the period."

"The most striking fact in the world's agriculture is the value of the corn crop of 1909 in this country. It is about \$1,720,000,000.

"This corn came up from the soil and out of the air in one hundred and twenty days—\$14,000,000 a day for one crop, nearly enough for two bread-noughs daily, for peace or war. The value of this corn crop is the highest on record. In quantity of production this year's corn crop stands second, with 2,767,000,000 bushels, being exceeded by the crop of 1906.

"Cotton is now by far the second crop in value, and this year's crop is easily the most valuable one that has been produced. With cotton selling for about \$25 per ton, the lint and seed of this crop are worth about \$850,000,000 to the farmer."

"Third in order of value among the crops is wheat, worth about \$725,000,000 at the farm, and this exceeds all previous values by a large amount. The November farm price was almost an even \$1 per bushel.

"For years hay and wheat disputed with each other the honor of the place next after cotton in value, but this year the separation is distinct, and hay, with its value of about \$655,000,000, is considerably below wheat and far below cotton.

"The fifth crop in order of value is oats, worth this year at the farm about \$400,000,000, which is considerably above high water mark, and is greater than the five-year average by 28 per cent."

"This year's crop of potatoes is more valuable than any one before produced, and is worth about \$230,000,000, or 15 per cent above the five-year average by 25 per cent."

"A shortage in the world's crop of hops this year raised the price to a high figure, about 33 cents for New York and about 24 cents for the Pacific Northwest. It happened, however, that a large proportion of the Pacific coast crop had been contracted for last year at about 9 cents, so that the average price paid for hops in 1909 is not as high as market prices indicate.

"The farm value of all cereals in 1909 has never been equalled in a previous year. It is almost exactly \$3,000,000,000, or 34 per cent above the five-year average."

"The value of the agricultural exports of domestic products for the year ending June 30, 1909, has been exceeded in four years—in 1901, 1906, 1907 and 1908. The value for 1909 is \$983,000,000, or \$151,000,000 below the highest record in 1907, and \$114,000,000 below the next highest in 1908.

"There is general agreement that wheat consumption for food has increased from about 4.2-3 bushels to 5 1/2 bushels per capita during the last twenty-five years. Sugar, a concentrated energy-supplying food, increased in consumption per capita from 14.1 pounds in 1840 to 75.4 pounds in 1908."

After giving details of the price fluctuations of various commodities, the report says:

"The general fact is that in the upward movement of prices since 1899 the products of the farm have fared better than any other class of commodities, the only large item that is an exception being unfed beef cattle, the farm price of which has now barely begun to rise above the price level of 1896-1900 for beef cattle."

PROPERTY LOSS EXCEEDS MILLION

RAIL COMMUNICATION STILL DISORGANIZED

Floods Which Have Wrought Havoc in Washington Are Subsiding.

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 2.—Whatcom and Skagit counties are to-day emerging from the worst flood in the history of the country. Over a million dollars' worth of property has been lost, at least one life has been forfeited, and there is not a town on the Nooksack or Skagit rivers but has been inundated by the waters. The losses can be estimated only roughly, but the following figures are conservative: Whatcom county, \$223,000; Skagit county, \$380,800; damage to railroad property, \$900,000.

The floods started some days ago, but subsided before doing great damage. Snow then fell in the hills and warm winds with rains again set the waters raging down upon the settlers. Every town went under water. The towns along the Nooksack were under from two to four feet of water, while those in Skagit county suffered as greatly.

La Conner saw six feet of water and the damage there will reach more than \$100,000. Bridges have gone out, railroad tracks have been washed away, all rail communication is cut off, acres of farm lands have been washed away, houses have been ruined or carried away entirely, stock has been drowned, the rivers have cut new courses, leaving some valuable bridges standing over two foot streams.

To-day dawned clear with a good north wind, and while this will take the waters down it will also cause much suffering.

THE BURGLARY AT THE BROWN'S

Everything in the Brown's house was new, brand new. Mrs. Brown sitting amid shining furniture in her small but dainty drawing-room, heard the click of Mr. Brown's new latch-key in the front door. A cynic might suggest that the impulse of affection, which sent her darting into the hall to welcome him, was also new. Personally, I reserve my opinion.

I also drew a discreet, judicious veil across the greetings. When they were satisfactorily over, Mrs. Brown drew her husband into the dining room, and indicated a large deal box lying unopened upon the table.

"Something has come for you, dear," she said.

"Why didn't you open it, darling?" he asked.

"It was addressed to you, Gilbert," said Mrs. Brown, with some little dignity. "And, besides—I recognized your Aunt Felicia's handwriting."

Mr. Brown looked pale. "I really don't see what that has to do with it," he remarked, quite vexedly. But it was plain that he did see.

"She doesn't like me, you know, Gilbert," said Mrs. Brown, severely. "She considers me a Philistine, I'm afraid."

She had settled herself with clasped hands in a huge arm-chair before the fire. It may have been pure chance, or it may have been due to an artistic instinct unrecognizable by Aunt Felicia, but it is certain that the freight was producing very dainty effects in her bright hair.

"Of course, she likes you!" exclaimed Mr. Brown, whose griefed eye had been cheered by a glance at these effects. "I should like to meet anyone who could help it!"

"Well, your Aunt is almost bound to visit us soon," Mrs. Brown murmured dreamily, apparently in answer to his sweeping challenge. "She would have loved you to be an artist, you know. She considers that I made you go into business. I did, of course, but this house is nicer than a garret, darling."

"Would you have gone to a garret with me?" Mr. Brown asked, kneeling down by the arm-chair, and those blank represent several extravaganzas with which I will not tax your patience.

I also pass over the sheer folly of the next few minutes. At the end of that time Mr. Brown rose up, with one slight sympathetic glance at his wrinkled knees, and returned to common sense.

"All the same, darling," he said, "I think you might have opened that box." "It was a matter of pride and self-respect, dear," Mrs. Brown informed him. "And, besides—the chisel was missing, and I was afraid that Sarah would cut herself if she tried to do without it."

Mr. Brown produced the chisel from behind the bookcase, with a slight but annoying air of complacency.

"I put it there, remember?" he said. "If you put a thing away yourself, when you have done with it, you know where to find it."

"Yes, dear," Mrs. Brown reminded him, "but no one must forget where you have put anything. But do let us see what your artistic work has sent."

Mr. Brown was a willing rather than experienced carpenter, but the scroll he had received in time the futility of resistance. Sucking a thumb which had received a trifling but painful wound, he proceeded to clear away a mass of shavings which still lay on the floor. Then, with a slight muscular effort, he drew forth Aunt Felicia's gift.

It was a small plaster statue of quite peculiar ugliness. No one has ever been able to inform me exactly what it represented, but Mrs. Brown has a theory that it was animal rather than human. I think myself that it was possibly a figure of the great god Pan. But, whilst advancing this suggestion as a palliation for Mr. Brown's infatuated conduct, I yet have much sympathy with Mr. Brown. For Aunt Felicia had a lofty artistic reputation to

sustain, and apparently considered that true beauty was only to be found in what was hideous to untrained eyes. The theory gave her great and abiding satisfaction.

Mrs. Brown gave a little scream at the sight of the statue, and at the sound Mrs. Brown frowned slightly. From early childhood he had been brought up to reverence his Aunt Felicia's artistic judgment. Aunt Felicia had always insisted upon this.

"Oh! do put it back again, dear," cried Mrs. Brown. "What a dreadful, dreadful thing to send us!"

"Nonsense, darling!" answered Mr. Brown, almost with sharpness. "It is a very fine—er—cast."

"What is it meant to be?" asked Mrs. Brown, as one who craves earnestly, but without much hope, for information. Her husband found the question quite difficult to answer.

"Er—probably a Greek god—or goddess," he answered, with a hasty assumption of authority. "But here is a letter inside from Aunt Felicia."

Mrs. Brown watched him as a sore open the envelope and ran his eye down the contents. It did not occur to her that afterwards he thrust the sheet into his pocket without offering it for her inspection.

"What does she say, darling?" she asked, carelessly.

"Oh, nothing of importance," Mr. Brown answered, even more carelessly. "She just sends her love to you, and hopes we shall appreciate the—er—cast."

Mrs. Brown fixed him quite sternly with her eye.

"Gilbert," she said, firmly, "I must see that letter!"

Mr. Brown recognized the folly of resistance.

"Just as you please, darling," he said, unwillingly. "But I'm afraid you'll misunderstand Aunt Felicia's undoubtedly kind meaning."

He produced the letter, and Mrs. Brown took it without speech. I have been privileged to read that document. In it Aunt Felicia described at vague length the beauty of the statue, and recommended that it should be placed in the drawing-room. She added that she hoped Gilbert was gradually educating dear Barbara's rather neglected taste up to the level of his own.

It was not everyone who had had the inestimable advantage, such as he had himself enjoyed, of an early guidance towards a knowledge of the Truly Beautiful. The letter ended with the promise that an early visit to see the site selected for the statue.

Mrs. Brown's treatment of the offending scroll was natural and perhaps excusable. She cast it crumpled upon the floor and stamped upon it with an exceedingly small foot.

"Horrid, horrid woman!" she exclaimed indignantly. "How dare she say that my taste is neglected!"

"She's just meaning an artistic matter, darling," pleaded Mr. Brown. "She is more highly trained than most, and she does not see things quite like other people. You know she is quite famous in a small circle for her advanced views."

"But not with anyone who knows anything about it, Gilbert," Mrs. Brown retorted, darkly. "She can only impose upon ignorant people. She's never deceived me—for a moment!"

Mr. Brown was a trifle hurt, but he found argument difficult.

"You would see the letter, darling?" he murmured.

"Of course I would!" cried Mrs. Brown. "It is right that I should know what she thinks of me! But I am resolute about one thing. That good woman shall never stand in any room of mine."

"But, my dear, it may be valuable," suggested her husband. "And what are we to say when Aunt Felicia comes?"

"I don't know," said Gilbert, "but Mrs. Brown, with the air of one who declines responsibility. "She is your aunt, thank heaven not mine! You must deal with her when she comes."

Mr. Brown fingered the statue with a slight air of helplessness.

"I think you are a tiny bit unreasonably, Barbara," he said. "For my part, I can see no deal to admire in this statue. It is the sort of thing that would grow up with you."

"It will never grow upon me, Gilbert!" declared Mrs. Brown. "It will never have the chance. Please put it back into the box."

Mr. Brown obeyed, but he was growing a little cross and more than a little hungry. Experts in married life inform me that the average male, although he never really doles, is far more tractable than it is generally supposed to be. "I'll put it back for the time, Barbara," he said; "but I hope you will think it over, and be more reasonable."

Mrs. Brown sprang to her feet upon the hearth-rug—a small, dainty, determined figure.

"And it was necessary to shake him quite severely."

"Er—ah—what is it?" he asked sleepily.

"There are burglars downstairs, Gilbert!" whispered Mrs. Brown. "But I won't be left up here! Get out and lock the door, and let them do their worst!"

"I expect you've imagined—" Mr. Brown began, and then he also heard an unmistakable sound.

He got out of bed with a slight groan, and took an old revolver from a drawer. Mrs. Brown gave a faint cry that was almost a squeal, at the sight of it.

"Oh, do be careful with that dreadful thing!" she said.

"It won't do much harm," Mr. Brown told her in a grim whisper. "I haven't any cartridges."

"They're always most dangerous when they're not loaded," Mrs. Brown warned him. But he had put on a dressing gown and was moving toward the door. "Oh, Gilbert, don't go!" she whispered. "They'll kill you! I feel sure they'll kill you!"

"They shall not kill me, Barbara," Mr. Brown retorted fiercely. "If prudence on my part can prevent such a tragedy, there's nothing to be frightened about."

He passed through the door, and for three long minutes Mrs. Brown lay with her head beneath the bed, snatched a dressing-gown, and, with a devotion worthy of a Roman wife, followed her husband to a certain and painful death.

Mr. Brown reached the foot of the stairs, with his heart jumping lightly, and noticed to his amazement that there was a light in the dining-room. He crossed the hall noiselessly, and pausing upon the threshold, peeped through the half-open door.

One of the electric lights had been turned on, and beneath it a man was sitting at the table. He was a small, rather degenerate-looking man, dressed in rough but serviceable corduroy. He might have been a bricklayer, or one of those devoted gentlemen who tear up a portion of a crowded London thoroughfare and then camp above the ruin, eating chops and steaks at all hours, and with a fierce avidity that never flags. Upon his face was a three days' growth of blonde hair, and upon the table was the whisky decanter, and a most empty tin of marmalade.

Mr. Brown stepped without hesitation into the dining-room, holding his empty revolver in a martial attitude.

"Throw up your hands, you rascal!" he said fiercely, the language of robust fiction recurring to him in his hour of need.

The effect produced upon the burglar by these words exceeded his most sanguine hopes.

The little man seemed to spring three feet into the air at the sudden sound, then fell upon his knees before his outraged host, with his large dingy hands outstretched to the utmost limit of his arms. His small eyes were fixed with a fearful intensity upon that empty tin.

"Don't shoot, don't shoot! For ev'ning's sake, don't shoot!" he cried, in a voice rendered hoarse and tremulous by whisky and emotion. "Think of my wife and children!"

"What do you mean, you scoundrel, by talking of your wives?" demanded Mr. Brown very sternly, and yet with a certain curiosity. "Are you a bigamist?"

"No, I ain't," rejoined the burglar, with some righteous indignation. "Lawfully married to my Jane these seven years, and five poor little children, and she's a good woman, and she walks the streets, asking and demanding that you should give me work, our wives and children sets at 'ome, 'owling for food."

"Oh, I see!" said Mr. Brown. "I apologize for my mistake. But you're not walking the streets now, demanding work. You're sitting in my dining-room, half ruddled with my whisky."

"What do you mean by it, you scoundrel?"

"I ain't ruddled," the little man answered, with an indignant but slightly glassy eye. "When you put a mouthful of sperrits takes 'old of you quite curious. But I ain't fuddled. I'm starvin'—downright starvin'!"

"You may be starvin', but you've eaten onions very recently."

"Injuns?" asked his guest, with the air of one who hears of a rare fruit.

"Injuns? So 'elp me, I haven't so much as seen an injun for a week!"

"I don't accuse you of falsehood," said Mr. Brown judiciously. "But someone in this room has eaten onions, and a peculiarly ferocious breed of onions, within the last few hours."

"Ah! and I envy you, you can afford such luxuries," his guest remarked. "It's well enough for them as can. It ain't much as we ask and demands from them as grinds our faces. Bread for our owlin' wives and children, and work for ourselves, is all that we'll 'ave. May I put my pore 'ands down, guv'nor? Me arms is achin' something cruel."

"Yes," said Mr. Brown. "You may. And now, before I call the police, I want to know if you've anything to say."

"The little man lowered his yellow moustache and a heavy sigh of relief, and got slowly to his feet.



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ave the heart to separate me from them for ever!"

A little sound that might have been a sob, or a laugh, or both, came from behind the door. Mr. Brown heard it and hid a smile, but the burglar was engaged with higher thoughts.

"If you choose to break into houses, and—and drink whisky," remarked Mr. Brown rather calmly. "I'm afraid you must take the consequences."

"I haven't done no 'arm," pleaded his guest. "The temptashun came to me quite sudden, as you may say. I was despart and I seed a winder and went through it. Before I knowed rightly what 'ad happened, I was setting at this table with this 'andsome glass bottle in me hand. I expect I made an 'ideas note about it; I ain't a regular burglar."

"No," agreed Mr. Brown, glancing at his hobnailed boots. "I don't believe you are. But you've made a beginning."

"Think of your own dear wife," suggested the burglar; "think of your own pore in your 'ome."

"Er—I haven't a family," Mr. Brown put in, rather hastily.

"Then I don't know as 'ow you ain't to be envied, sir," remarked the burglar, warmly. "But you can pity them as 'ave. Oh! Great Moses!—I thought as 'ow it was a ghost."

Mrs. Brown had glided into the room, a very charming vision in pink and white. She came up to her husband, and put her arm through his.

"He's done very wrong, Gilbert," she said, softly. "You'll have to let him go, if only for the sake of Jane and Martha and—the others!"

Mr. Brown laughed a little. His heart was gladdened by the knowledge that the burglar's period of politeness was ended. The burglar's heart was also gladdened.

"May 'ev'n bless you, lady," he said, enthusiastically.

"I'll be 'ere for your tongue," said Mr. Brown sharply.

"Gilbert, dear," whispered Mrs. Brown, "there's half a crown under the vase on the mantelpiece."

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AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE BILL

COMPULSORY TRAINING IS ONE OF THE CLAUSES

Critics Say Term of Military Training Is Inadequate.

An interesting account of the Australian defence bill is given by a Sydney correspondent, who writes: The long-expected bill for the creation of a genuine Australian defence force, the absence of which has been, and still is, the Commonwealth's most immediate danger, proves to have the defects and qualities which were to be expected in it as the product of a "fusion" of an intimate alliance of two parties which were bitterly opposed to each other on the very principles of the bill itself. Consequently, it is less thorough in many ways which involve the principle; it delays the beginning of compulsion, it minimizes the amount of training.

Summarized, the new scheme provides for: (a) Two years' junior cadet training—120 hours per year in physical drill, elementary marching drill, and the use of miniature rifles; (b) four years' senior cadet training—four whole-day drills, 12 half-day drills, 24 night drills (at least 96 hours in all) per year, in elementary naval or military exercises, and musketry up to 500 yards; (c) two years' training as "citizen forces"—16 whole-day drills, or their equivalent (1.e., at least 96 hours), of which a camp seems to account for eight days. Men for the navy, artillery and engineers get 25 whole-day drills.

The child of 12 is thus put into training which lasts till he is 20. For six years longer he remains a member of the citizen forces, but, unless there is imminent danger of war, he is liable during those six years to only one "registration or muster parade" each year. He then passes into the reserve, which can be called out in classes in war time. But he may, directly he has completed his two years' training between 18 and 20, enlist in the militia, which it is hoped to make more or less a corps d'élite.

The militia training at present amounts to 12 days per year, but this will be altered to provide a more thorough course of advanced instruction. The only exemptions allowed by the bill are for medical unfitness, non-European descent, though non-European will be put to non-combatant duties, and membership of the permanent forces; school teachers who have qualified as cadet officers or instructors need not undergo further training.

Those convicted of infamous crimes, or known to be of bad character, will not be allowed to serve; and whole districts may be exempted from training, in order to avoid the expense and difficulty of calling in men from the sparsely populated areas. The exemptions only apply in time of peace. Non-efficiency after any year's training involves an extra year's training. For evasion of personal service the penalty varies from £5 to £100, having regard to the means of the person offending, and those of his parents; or the offender may be committed to some "prescribed" institution for training and discipline equivalent to the training evaded.

This penal training need not be continuous; the object is to get the offender trained, not necessarily to punish him; and, if it can be arranged, the culprit may follow his occupation alternately with serving his sentence. Employers who penalize their employees, by dismissal or reduction of wages, for absenting themselves from work to undergo training may be fined £100. Power is taken to register and requisition horses, vehicles, forage, etc., and to use any private lands for manoeuvres—compensation being subsequently awarded. The naval forces get first pick of recruits.

The obvious criticism to make on this scheme, according to the ideas of enthusiastic advocates of compulsory training, would be that the training provided for youths of from 12 to 20 is quite inadequate. The bill's defenders say that four years' training as senior cadets will so insure the regularity of ordinary military work that the proposed 15 days per year for "citizens" will suffice. As no other nation seems to have put a compulsory senior cadet scheme into practice, it is difficult to see what objection; but discontinuous training of the kind indicated does not strike the practical Australian as likely to produce real efficiency.

"Lord Roberts" bill demanded three months' continuous drill, followed by a month in camp, for boys of 18, and 15 days' camping for the next three years. The local National Defence League, whose scheme does include cadet training, asks for at least 42 days' continuous camp in the first "cadet" year (18), and at least a week's camp and five days' drill in addition every following year till the soldier is 25. (All these figures, of course, represent the minimum training for the infantry man; cavalry, engineers, artillery and the naval forces are to get more.) By the side of these proposals those of the government look meagre, and Australians will welcome expert advice from home as to their adequacy.

Perhaps a more serious objection to the bill is its dilatoriness. This feature was foreshadowed by the budget statement. The government proposes to devote the next two years (1939-40 and 1940-41) to preparations, the acquisition of the necessary arms and equipment, the training or provision of the instructional staff, and so forth. This would be admirable procedure, if we could spare the time. But what the public feels is that the government's arguments and its methods do not fit.

If the danger is so imminent as the prime minister says, and as most people believe, it is surely worth while beginning at once, and beginning with the young men, not with the children. We have instructors and material available for some men, if not for all. To await impending quietness is more important of our commercial visitors do not shrink from calling it that—by training children of 12 in 1911,

DENIES SALE OF ELECTRIC STOCK

Rumor Circulated in the City is Discredited by Local Shareholder.

There has been a great amount of speculation locally during the past few days in respect to alleged pending changes in the control of the B. C. Electric Railway & Lighting Company, based on the following, which appeared on the financial page of a recent issue of the Montreal Star:

"Thousands of shares of B. C. Electric have been sold by insiders within a year."

"Mr. R. M. Horne Payne, the chairman, sold 348 preferred ordinary and 8,500 deferred ordinary shares, reducing his holdings to 848 of the former class and 500 of the latter. A holding of 5,000 preferred ordinary, in the name of Messrs. Horne-Payne, Sperling, and another, was completely got rid of, and 4,500 deferred ordinary, in the names of Messrs. Horne-Payne, Sperling, and two other persons, was reduced to 1,500. Mr. M. R. Gifford, a director, also sold. There were other interesting sales besides these. Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Barnard, of Victoria, B. C., who are 'on the spot,' sold heavily."

"The Rev. F. H. Sperling, of Nice (presumably a connection of the M. R. G. H. R. Sperling, who is a director since the name is not a common one), sold 2,470 of the deferred."

"Messrs. E. Welton and J. W. Strang, of Bond-court House, E. C. (the office of Messrs. Sperling & Co.), held £2,824 of the perpetual preference stock, 612 preferred ordinary, and 2,410 deferred ordinary."

"During the year they sold £2,640 of the first (reducing their holdings to 184)."

"While this was going on, Mr. R. R. Slade, care Sperling & Co., had got rid of his entire holding of 583 preferred ordinary shares, and Mr. J. Milne, a gentleman 'on the spot,' at Vancouver, and a large holder of the same stock, had pursued the same course."

"Attempts have been made to boom the shares in England lately."

The Times ascertained on Tuesday that when the extract from the Montreal Star was brought to the attention of P. S. Barnard, the latter at once cabled to Mr. Horne-Payne. The reply came: "I have sold no stock." Mr. Barnard denies also that he has sold any stock; and the theory is therefore that the whole story has been started by some designing person in an effort to bear the stock.

MUST NOT SHOUT WARES.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The city council has passed the anti-noise ordinance, prohibiting peddlers and hucksters from shouting their wares in the street.

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and youths of 18 in 1912, seems a little incongruous, not to say futile. In this regard the attitude of the National Defence League is worth noting. That body has decided to come out during the federal elections as an active propagandist force.

According to the league the essential features of a defence bill based on compulsory training are as follows: For infantry, rank and file. In the eighteenth year, recruit training of 60 days' continuous camp, or at any rate of not less than 42 days, and five detached day parades, or their equivalent, in subsequent years up to the twenty-fifth year inclusive, annual continuous camp of not less than seven working days, and five detached day parades (or equivalent) in active army; service in organized reserve up to the fortieth year at least, musketry and inspection arms annually, and at least one continuous camp of four days in the thirtieth year.

Longer training for other arms and higher ranks will be necessary. Some small scale of payment should be arranged in the case of privates; for instance, 10s a week for men while in camp. There should be an annual physical training for boys up to 14, and annual elementary military drill for boys of from 14 to 18.

A small income tax should be payable up to their fortieth year, but exempt from training. Compulsory adult training should take precedence of compulsory cadet training if both cannot be proceeded with simultaneously.

TEN CENT STORE

TO ESTABLISH HERE

'Premises Taken by Promoters on Government Street.

That the city is growing and has a great future before it is shown by the fact that a large five and ten cent store is to be opened here at the beginning of the new year. The stores occupied by the Baker Shoe Company and the store of Finch & Finch have been taken for this purpose as well as the premises occupied by the Cosy Corner tea rooms. This large store will sell nothing but five and ten cent goods. Stores such as the one to be opened here are being conducted in all the large cities on the continent and particularly in those places which have a future before them. That Victoria has been chosen as a location, and that the promoters have seen fit to pay the Government street prices for their store is an indication that Victoria is to become a busy place, or at any rate that outside people think so.

RUEF SEEKS BAIL

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 30.—Claiming that his heart and lungs are affected and that he cannot live longer unless he is removed to a more healthful place of abode than the county jail, Abe Ruef to-day filed a petition in the Superior court for admission to bail pending the disposition of his case.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Section 8, Renfrew District.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention, on the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof, to issue a Duplicate Certificate of Title to above lands, issued to Henry J. Kirby on the 29th day of September, 1937, and numbered 173c.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 19th day of November, 1939.

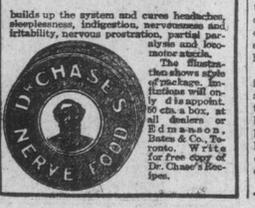
At present it is claimed that it is practically useless to the city, as it does not run continuously but is cut up by intervening lots, which are owned privately. An application will be made to the Dominion government simultaneously for the foreshore rights.

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COMMISSION ON REAL ESTATE

JUDGE LAMPMAN GIVES INTERESTING DECISION

Sale of the Colwood Hotel Gave Rise to Some Litigation.

An interesting judgment in a real estate case was handed down on Wednesday by Judge Lampman. The case, which was heard a few days ago, was that of Campbell vs. Cuthbert, and arose out of negotiations for the sale of the Colwood hotel. The case was argued for the plaintiff by R. S. Elliott, K.C., and for the defendant by J. A. Alkman. His Honor's judgment was as follows:

"This is an action by a real estate agent for commission. The employment of the agent is admitted, and the main question of fact for decision is whether Campbell agreed to sell to Taylor the Colwood hotel premises, including everything with the exception of a horse, colt, two buggies and a set of harness (hereinafter referred to as the horse and buggy) or whether Campbell included in the exceptions 'a few personal things and some things I don't own.'

"Cuthbert and the intending purchaser, Taylor, went through and looked over the hotel premises, and then met Campbell in Cuthbert's office. Cuthbert, Campbell and W. J. Robertson, who was then associated in business with Cuthbert, had a preliminary talk before Taylor came in, and in this conversation Robertson says that Cuthbert asked Campbell if the price of \$18,000.00 included everything, to which Campbell said 'Yes.' Cuthbert says when Taylor came in he told him that Campbell agreed that everything goes just as it is, and Campbell said, 'hold on a bit, there are a horse and buggy which are going to keep, and then they discussed terms, etc., and went over to Mr. Moresby's office to have the necessary documents drawn, and gave him instructions to draw them. The next day, he says they returned in connection with the papers, and he then asked Campbell who owned the slot machine, and he said he did, and that it went with the house and was worth \$600. After the papers were drawn by Mr. Moresby, Taylor submitted them to Mr. Higgins, who expressed his approval, and Taylor got a \$5,000 (the agreed cash payment) cheque marked at his bank, and Cuthbert and Campbell met at Mr. Moresby's office on the afternoon of Friday, July 30th, and they then arranged to go out in company with Mr. Lowe and make an inventory and take over the property, and Mr. Lowe was to receive the cheque, and his firm was to pay some debts against the business and complete the transaction so far as the papers were concerned.

"When they arrived at the hotel at Colwood and commenced the inventory, Campbell said the slot machine was not included in the sale as he only owned half of it, he also wanted to include a graphophone which he said belonged to his daughter, a sewing machine and a bedroom suite as belonging to his wife, and also some guns. Taylor was dissatisfied with the exceptions, and as it was night they agreed to meet next morning at Mr. Moresby's office.

"They met, and Cuthbert says that Taylor told Campbell, 'You have stooped out of the original deal stuff that I value at \$1,000, and if you put them in O.K., but if you don't I think you should deduct \$1,000.' They could not come to an arrangement then.

"At 5 P. M. of Campbell's examination for discovery it would appear that he was firm in his resolve to except the slot machine, graphophone, etc., from the sale.

"A. Well, he says, if this is the case the deal cannot go through, we will want a thousand dollars taken off for that, that is what Taylor said. He said, I would like to have a thousand dollars taken off if you are going to keep all those things out. Taylor said the price, he says, then, and you can keep these things, I says, no, I will do nothing of the sort. I says, I want those things or nothing at all, and the price to stand as it is.

"Cuthbert went on and endeavored to have a modified arrangement put through, as Campbell afterwards agreed to include the slot machine, etc., but Taylor had left the city and would have nothing more to do with it.

"Campbell contends that he excepted some things in addition to the horse and buggy, but in his examination for discovery he, in effect, admits it was several days after they had started to make the deal before there was any talk about exceptions other than the horse and buggy. Now, the first day Campbell, Cuthbert and Taylor met they went at once to Mr. Moresby's office, and it is admitted Mr. Moresby took instructions to draw the necessary papers. This was probably on Thursday—on Friday the question arose on the taking of the inventory, and on Saturday they met in Mr. Moresby's office. Cuthbert swears that he or Taylor said that Campbell claimed he was entitled to keep out the horse and buggy, and Mr. Moresby said he would soon straighten that out, and he thereupon got his memorandum made the day before and read it out saying 'writing to go with the exception of the horse, colt, two buggies and harness.'

"Mr. Moresby was called as a witness by the defence, and neither he nor the plaintiff was asked a question about this by counsel for the defence. Needless to say, Mr. Elliott left the matter severely alone in his cross-examination, as the evidence already given by Cuthbert was sufficient for his purposes and had not been contradicted.

"For the defence it was not admitted that Mr. Lowe was to receive the \$5,000 cheque, but Mr. Lowe was in court during part of the trial and was consulted by counsel for the defence, and I have no doubt that if he had been

prepared to contradict Cuthbert on this point he would have been called. "I think it is quite clear that Campbell never referred to any exceptions other than the horse and buggy until the evening meeting at Colwood. Mr. Alkman lays great stress on a mistake which Cuthbert apparently made about the rate of interest on the deferred payment, and on the fact that Campbell would not be likely to agree to sell the things which did not belong to him. As to Cuthbert's mistake, it was on an immaterial point, and as to Campbell's act, I do not think it was at all unusual as he had control over the things and the next week did agree to include them all in the sale.

"On the facts I have no doubt that Cuthbert is entitled to succeed. It is contended that as the sale did not actually go through he cannot succeed, but as the contention of counsel for the plaintiff is based on a state of facts so much at variance with the true facts, it is useless for me to deal with it. Cuthbert found a purchaser who had a certified \$5,000 cheque in his pocket, which he was going to hand over when the property was handed over to him, but when he went to get possession the defendant refused to give it to him, and the next morning continued to refuse.

"If the agent did not earn his commission here it is difficult to imagine a case in which he does earn one. There is nothing more for him to do as the conveyancing was being done by a solicitor. Even the exact amount of his commission had been agreed on at \$550, and for that amount he is entitled to judgment.

"P. S. LAMPMAN."

TAKING BALLOT ON SCHOOL RECESS

Parents Are to Be Asked to Vote on Extension of Time.

Within the next week parents of pupils attending the Victoria public schools will receive ballot papers entitling them to express an opinion as to whether the pupils shall be given an extra half hour for their lunch or not. If the extra half hour is given the time will be added to the end of the session, so that the children would get out at 3:30 instead of 3 at present, and in the summer at 4 o'clock. The argument in favor of the longer recess is that many who have to take their lunch to school under the hour recess system would be able to go home if the time were extended.

A number of parents are entering rather serious objections to the change. They say that their children take music lessons after school hours, and if the change were made they would be unable to give them that part of their education which they consider as essential as grammar and history. Others say that the boys want to earn a few cents after school by delivering parcels or papers, and that if they are unable to do this they must leave school altogether. Parents of dull pupils also say that their boys and girls do not do their school work every day, and that if the change is made these children will not be home until after dark.

BRUTAL OUTRAGES BY NICARAGUAN TROOPS

French Citizens Lodge a Complaint With Consul in Costa Rica.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 1.—A cable from San Jose, Costa Rica, says: The French government has been drawn into the Nicaraguan trouble in a way that promises serious consequences for Zelaya, as a result of brutal outrages committed on French citizens residing in Nicaragua. An official complaint has been lodged with the French consul general in Costa Rica by Faustino Montiel, a Frenchman. Montiel, who was manager of a farm owned by M. Menoche, of Paris, and situated on the southeast coast of the great lake of Nicaragua, says: "On the 22nd of October last we were surprised by a large detachment of troops commanded by a gentleman called Larios, who were told in an alde de camp of the president. Immediately Mr. Ruinat and myself were bound and dragged to the edge of a lake, where, after a mockery of a trial, they threatened to shoot us, a threat which they repeated three times. As soon as we were safely in the lock-up the soldiers returned to sack the farm, wresting the keys from the housekeeper and carrying off all objects of value on which they could lay their hands, some of which were recognized later in Lortuga. We had to regain possession of our own horses by purchasing them from those to whom they had been sold. During the operations at the farm the housekeeper was brutally treated by Larios, and it was with difficulty that she saved herself from being killed. They completely stripped the farm, not taking into account the French flag, which was at the time hoisted over the house."

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Having at full speed from Pichilingue Bay, the transport Buffalo was reported yesterday as having arrived at Panama. It will be her mission in case of a demonstration against Zelaya in Nicaragua to take marines from the Isthmus of Panama to Corinto, on the Pacific coast of Nicaragua. Orders for the movement of the marines to Nicaragua have not been issued by the navy department, nor will they be until the state department gives the word.

"A high-class concert has been arranged for by the Victoria Hockey Club, and will be given on Wednesday evening, December 15th, in the Institute hall. Already an active committee is making preparations for the affair and are outlining an excellent programme. As the concert is in aid of the funds of the club it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. Tickets may be secured from the secretary, J. E. Sears.

BUSY TIME AT OUTER DOCK

CHINESE LEAVING FOR SOUTHERN CHINA

San Francisco Steamer Took Fertilizer and Passengers From This Port

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The outer dock was a busy place this morning. Three large steamers and several small ones were tied to the wharves and hundreds of Orientals crowded the place with their baggage, eager to board the Oanfa which would carry them to view once more the scenes of their childhood. There were five or six hundred Chinese went aboard the steamer which left early in the afternoon.

Steamer Bellerophon, which yesterday and this morning discharged 750 tons of freight to England and China, left for Vancouver at noon, where she has a large quantity of iron, Christmas goods and general merchandise to discharge. From there she will go to the mines for a short time, to take on cargo before making her last visit to Puget Sound. The last call is made at Victoria, three or four weeks hence, just as she is leaving for the United Kingdom.

The San Francisco liner Umatilla spent the morning at the dock loading a quantity of fertilizer, which had been manufactured at the whaling stations on the West Coast. She took south about fifteen passengers from this port, among them being A. J. Burford, of the United States Immigration service.

PIONEER GUESTS OF NATIVE SONS

An Enjoyable Smoking Concert Last Evening in K. of P. Hall.

At K. of P. hall on Tuesday the Native Sons and the members of the Pioneer Society held an enjoyable smoking concert. The attendance was large and a most pleasant evening spent in song and story. Among the pioneers present were Mr. Justice Irving, who received the congratulations of all present at his elevation to the bench of the Appellate court, Hon. J. S. Holmbeck, Robt. Ward, formerly of Victoria, but now of London, Eng., Monroe Miller, and H. E. Levy.

Dr. Helmbeck was prevailed upon to make a speech, and he entertained all present by recounting some of his experiences in Victoria in the early days when the place was nothing more than a Hudson's Bay post. He predicted that great as had been the growth of Victoria since it was founded, it was destined to occupy an even more prominent position among the chief commercial centres of the Pacific Coast.

Monroe Miller, who has resided in Victoria for 40 years, also gave some of his experiences in the early days, and he was followed by H. E. Levy, who is the last of the police force which was constituted in 1860.

Mr. Justice Irving spoke of the work that had been done by the native sons in the rebuilding of Victoria and the wine. He dealt at some length with the voyages of the early discoverers, and deplored the spirit of adventure and the strong among the native sons to-day as it was when those hardy seamen first visited these shores.

A splendid musical programme was rendered during the evening. Songs were given by Messrs. Gosse and Peich, characterized by the spirit of Melba and J. Wall, and a number of musical selections by the Three Keltons, from the Grand theatre.

COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING PROPOSED THEATRE SITE

Board Agreeable to Giving Site at Rear of Empress Hotel

The proposal made to the city by the committee of the board of trade dealing with the project of erecting a new theatre in Victoria, that consideration should be given to the matter of securing the lots at the rear of the Empress hotel, is receiving the attention of the mayor and aldermen. Mayor Hall said Wednesday that he would consult W. J. Taylor, city barrister, in regard to what disposition the city could make of the property.

It is understood that all the members of the council are favorably disposed to the plan to utilize the property for the purpose suggested, and should the committee of the board of trade, who has the matter of a site in hand, so desire, a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers at the forthcoming municipal elections.

On Friday afternoon the Daughters of the Empire will hold a meeting in the city hall, commencing at 4 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as business of importance is to be transacted. Any who are desirous of joining the society are invited to attend this meeting.



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ST. ANDREW'S DAY HONORED

BANQUET GIVEN IN BROAD STREET HALL

Scotsmen and Their Friends Gather—Speeches Appropriate to Occasion.

The fifth annual dinner and dance of St. Andrew's Society was held Tuesday night at the Broad street hall, where about one hundred and fifty sat down to dinner. Through a mistake on the tickets, however, the diners were kept waiting over an hour, but when once the banquet appeared things went along merrily, and all spent a most enjoyable time. After the banquet and toast list and a number of songs had been sung the guests danced until a late hour.

Piper Wishart heralded the Haggis with the pipes and the time-honored custom was done—full justice to Piper Wishart was carried three times round the table, shoulder high, while a welcome was being accorded the dish.

President P. J. Riddell occupied the head of the table, and on his right were Mayor Hall, Rev. W. L. Clay, R. F. Green and Rev. Dr. Campbell, and on his left U. S. Consul A. E. Smith, W. Oliphant and Ald. Turner.

The president, who is retiring to give place to president-elect T. M. Brayshaw, gave the guests a welcome in a few well chosen words, and shortly proposed the toast of "The King," which was loyally honored with the National Anthem.

The president-elect, T. M. Brayshaw, offered the toast of the "President of the United States." Mr. Brayshaw said "if we honor the president, why also not the heads of other nations?" He regretted Mr. Taft was not a Scotchman, and said all residents of Victoria were proud of A. E. Smith, as he was one of their citizens, and a good and popular man. Referring again to the president, he said Mr. Taft must have a grain of the Scot somewhere in him, otherwise his countrymen would not be so proud of him.

In response to the toast, Mr. Smith having thanked the gathering for the honor done his chief, said that he appreciated from the bottom of his heart the fact that he was consul of Victoria. The longer he lived here the better he liked it. In all parts of the world, said Consul Smith, the Scot was to be found. He had met him in every state of the Union. The Scot came to him as captain of American vessels; in fact the Scot was everywhere, and where he was he made a mark. Referring to King Edward, Mr. Smith said his Majesty had done more to secure the peace of the world than any other monarch. He thought that a good thing to hear from Mr. Riddell, who recently returned from Scotland, that there was no place like Canada, but all the same that great little island called Britain hadn't an equal in the world, said Mr. Smith. The combined strength of England and the United States, he said, would be able to command the peace of the world. Concluding, he thanked the guests again for the honor done the president.

The chairman read a letter from Premier McBride, who expressed his regret that business on the Mainland prevented his being present. Greetings were received from sister societies at Portland, Ore.; Philadelphia, Seattle, Vancouver, Winnipeg, Ottawa, and Hamilton. "The Day and all Who Honor It"

was proposed by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. St. Andrew, he said, was little commemorated in the history, but his life had been his country's, and Scotland honored him as a patron saint. He also referred to the spreading of Scotsmen throughout the world, and the parts his countrymen had taken in the prominent history of the world.

W. Oliphant replied to the toast, "The Land We Left and the Land We Live In," in a short speech that was to the point in every word.

"The Mayor and Corporation of the City of Victoria" was the toast of W. E. Oliver, which was responded to by Mayor Hall and Ald. Turner.

"Sister Societies" was proposed by Rev. Dr. Campbell, who congratulated the society on the success of its annual celebration. This was responded to by Walter Walker, and R. F. Green responded to the toast of "The Press" S. Baxter proposed "The Ladies" and R. Morrison responded.

There was a long vocal programme, in which R. Morrison, Mrs. Butler, James Taylor, J. G. Brown and Peter Gordon took part. The accompanists were Mrs. Lewis Hall and Mrs. Reid. Miss Murray gave an exhibition of Highland dancing. An excellent orchestra supplied the music for the dancing.

T. N. Hibber & Co. have just received the first copies of "The New North," written by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron. The work should be of especial interest to Victorians.

BUILDING RETURNS FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Total for Eleven Months is Ahead of Figures for 1908.

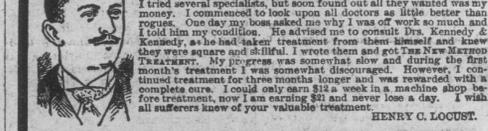
The complete building returns for the month of November amounted to \$55,885, as against \$104,710 for the same month last year. November is the first month this year in which there has been any falling off as against last year's figures.

The total figures for the year, however, are in round figures about \$600,000 ahead of last year, as shown by the following table compiled by the city building inspector.

Table with 2 columns: Month and Amount. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and Total (11 mos.).

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HYDRAULIC COMPANY TO BUILD BIG DAM

Water Will Be Carried 26 Miles to Mining Property on Quesnel River.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—H. B. Ferguson, of the firm of Burr & Ferguson, is in town for a few days. Mr. Ferguson is chief engineer for the Quesnel Hydraulic Gold Mining Company, which is constructing this winter a dam across the Swift river, 600 feet long and 45 feet high, for the purpose of bringing 4,000 miner's inches of water a distance of 26 miles to its properties on Quesnel river. The company will construct its 35-mile water system in the spring, necessitating two miles of five-foot diameter pipe. The balance will be ditch, tunc and tunnel.

The company has about 300 men at work now, and will have 800 next summer. The work will take two years to complete. Seventy thousand people use the ferry boats of Paris daily.



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BIRD LIFE OF THIS ISLAND INTERESTING ADDRESS ON NATURAL HISTORY

H. F. Pullen Entertains Members of Local Society Last Evening.

A well attended meeting of the members of the Natural History Society was held Monday when a paper was read on the "Bird Life of Vancouver Island."

"No less than 12 varieties of birds have been identified on Vancouver Island, and, doubtless many of the feathered visitors to the central and northern end of the island have been properly studied."

"Most of the birds that come here or that live here are useful, some as scavengers, such as the gulls and crows; but most of them because they devour countless numbers of destructive insects, while a few are killers of vermin."

"No bird so far as can be ascertained is entirely harmful. During the past summer hundreds of robins were shot by the fruitgrowers in the neighborhood of Victoria because they were convinced a preference for the strawberries and other fruits, yet this bird lives almost wholly on worms and insects. The crow is often shot for killing chickens or stealing fruit, yet the pheasant, which is a large game bird, is not so much of a pest."

"During the few years that Vancouver Island has been inhabited by white people several varieties of birds have been acclimated. Of these the pheasant, which is a large game bird, is the most numerous. It is a native of the mountains and valleys, from California, and the skylark and house sparrow from England. The former, which were introduced by the first settlers, have flourished so well, and may be heard singing almost any time in the fields between the Jubilee Hospital and Mount Tollymore. They have scattered somewhat, but have been heard also at Gordon Head and Cadboro Bay."

"The house sparrow, more commonly known as the English sparrow, is usually a subject for the anatomist of the ornithologist, but I have nothing against him, and he is not guilty of bad behavior, although I must believe those who say he does not always treat the less vigorous native races well. He is a type of the Anglo-Saxon, for he conquers wherever he sets his foot, is very commonly unscrupulous in dealing with his less powerful rivals, and does not always make a living in as clean a manner as could be desired. Yet he is a sturdy fellow wearing his black cravat with a jaunty air, enjoying life all the time, even when he is fighting and braving the rigors of our winter, as well as delighting in the balmy air of summer. He lives in the midst of the cities, gathering his food from the streets and chattering and scolding within a few feet of the passer by. He is a friend of mine, and I like him, for he is the most intensely human of all the bird family."

"Arrivals from the countries of Europe talk about the bird song of their home land and the scarcity of bird life here. This to some extent is true, for the thick woods do not invite the song birds, and the fields are still scarce, and probably have not yet been found by many birds that would like to make their homes in them. In the older settled districts, however, such as the neighborhood of Victoria, many birds nest during the summer, and it is principally these which I wish to illustrate to-night. They seek to delight in building their nests right inside of the city or on its outskirts. They are wonderfully trusting, but often their trust is betrayed. While large numbers safely hatch and rear their families, mortality is high among the young, for they have many enemies. Not only are there boys and cats to avoid, but snakes, hawks, owls and other enemies are to be avoided. Often when a boy finds a nest he does not disarrange the leaves and boughs which surround it, but when the next owl or other bird of prey comes along it is immediately seen and the young are not the mother bird herself. In the Half-grown birds, too, usually leave the nest if frightened and then they become an easy prey to any of their enemies."

LAST MINE LOCATED. Skeleton Clue to Rich Property in Idaho.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 30.—Prospectors throughout the state are preparing for a spring rush to the Brunson country, a somewhat isolated district, where one of the famous "lost mines" of the west has just been relocated. For 30 years there has been a tradition of a prospector who came to civilization with samples of quartz, yellow with free gold and told his friends of a great ledge from which the samples were taken. Starting back alone, he disappeared and was never heard of again. The finding of a skeleton recently in the region where the shepherd ranged caused a revival of the story and the renewed search for the ledge.

DOWNWARD TENDENCY IN GRAIN FREIGHTS

Halewood and Senator Still Disengaged, the Former Alone at Esquimalt.

General indications seem to point to the ship Halewood being left for another year at Esquimalt harbor, where she has been leading a lonely life since the Senator went away to Bremerton. This vessel missed getting a charter last year and is still lying in the harbor idle, but all ready to move at two days' notice. The Senator moved to Puget Sound in the hope of getting a charter, but failed and is still waiting there. Speaking of the prospects of the San Francisco Daily Commercial News says:

According to exporters there will be very few ships chartered for grain until after the first of the year, and there is also a strong belief on the part of the exporters that there will be a decline in rates by that time, as the markets abroad do not justify paying the present union freight rates. There are about thirteen vessels under charter to arrive to load grain at Northern ports and there are twenty-two vessels at various coast ports on the disengaged list, with a pretty good supply of disengaged tonnage on the way, all of which would seem to bear out the opinions of the exporters.

The offshore lumber business is far from active. Portland to Sydney and Newcastle (all) has been done at \$13 3d, which is considered a fairly low rate, due largely to the vessel's desire to get to the coal port. Coastwise rates hold firm at former figures, although an advance is expected.

Offshore lumber business is still showing a fair amount of activity, with rates about the same as a week ago. Offshore lumber rates are quoted as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound to British Columbia to Sydney, 3 1/2 @ 3 3/4; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 3 3/4 @ 3 1/2; Port Pirie, 3 3/4 @ 3 3/4; to Fremantle, 3 3/4 @ 3 1/2; to Japan ports (steamers), 3 3/4 @ 3 1/2; to Callao, 3 3/4 @ 3 1/2; direct nitrate ports, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; Valparaiso, for orders, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; with 2 1/2 d less to direct port; to South African ports, 5 1/2 @ 5 3/4; to U. K. or Continent, 5 1/2 @ 5 3/4; Guaymas, 4 1/2; Matanzas, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; Santa Rosa, 3 1/2; Honolulu, 3 1/2.

The Siberian bean trade is proving of considerable importance; eleven steamers have been taken for this business, most of them at 2 1/2 d. Daily loading and 2 1/2 d. Vladivostok. Steamers are also paying a little more attention to the nitrate trade, the ruling rate being 1 1/2 d. for December loading, 1 1/2 d. for January loading, 1 1/2 d. for February loading, 1 1/2 d. for March-April loading, and Melbourne to U. K. (sail) at 2 1/2 d. to 2 1/2 d. for new crop loading. In coal business Newcastle, N. S. W. (steam) at 1 1/2 d. to 1 1/2 d. down at 1 1/2 d. and (sail) at 1 1/2 d. to San Francisco (steam) at 1 1/2 d.

SHIPOWNERS FORM BIG FEDERATION

Six Countries Already Joined and Others Coming in.

Two years ago the English Shipping Federation invited representatives of shipowners' associations in various European countries to meet in London in order to discuss the possibility of forming an international federation. Delegates from France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Italy, Denmark and Sweden accordingly met in London in October, 1907. The proposal to form an international combination was agreed to and it was decided to summon another meeting, at which delegates from the various countries represented should bring forward suggestions for rules and regulations. This meeting was held in London in January, 1908, and then a special commission, consisting of delegates from Great Britain, Germany, Holland, Belgium and Sweden—countries which already possessed local organizations of the same character—was entrusted with the task of drawing up rules. At a meeting in London in May last these rules were accepted, but it was decided to postpone the inauguration of the international federation until the autumn in order to allow the national federations to discuss several outstanding questions concerning practical working arrangements.

During the past few weeks the negotiations have been brought to a conclusion at meetings held at the offices of the English Shipping Federation, and the International Shipping Federation has now been constituted and registered. The federation of Great Britain, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Holland and Belgium were joined to the International Federation, which already represents between sixteen and seventeen millions of tonnage. It is expected that France and Norway will join at an early date, and that the shipowners of other maritime countries will fall into line with the movement as soon as they have established local federations for the purpose. The International Federation has been formed for purposes of protecting shipowners and shipping generally during labor disputes, enabling ships to load and discharge during strikes and lockouts, and indemnifying its members from losses sustained in consequence of such disputes.

Mr. T. L. Devitt, president of the English Shipping Federation, has been elected president of the International Federation, and Herr C. Leist, of the North-German Lloyd Company, is the vice-president. The manager and secretary are Mr. Cuthbert Laws and Mr. M. Brett, manager and secretary of the English Federation.

NEW LINE FOR PACIFIC COAST HIGH SPEED VESSELS TO BE OPERATED

Peruvian Capital Exclusively Interested in the New Enterprise.

During the coming month a new steamship service is to be inaugurated between West Coast ports, according to advices brought north by the Norwegian steamer Hornum, now at the Tacoma smelter discharging her ore cargo. The steamship line is to be known as the Peruvian Steamship Company and early next month its two new steamers will begin to ply between Callao and Valparaiso on the south and between Callao and Panama on the north. These vessels were built in England and are of high speed. They are the Ucayali and the Huallaga, and were especially constructed for service in Southern Pacific Coast conditions. The distance between Callao and Panama will, it is stated, be accomplished in less than five days, thus greatly reducing the time between New York and Callao.

Accommodations are provided on each steamer for more than 100 first class passengers, and for an equal number of second class, as well as for a considerable stowage.

Peruvian capital exclusively has made the line possible, and the government of that republic has come forward with an annual subsidy of \$150,000. The company owns an extensive floating dock at Callao bay and has placed in France an order for four more steamers in anticipation of a rapidly increasing business along the South American Pacific coast from port to port.

Two companies on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus, that is, the Panama Railroad Company, the United Fruit Company, Hamburg-American line, Atlas Service and the Royal Mail South Pacific Company, all plying between New York and Colon, will carry freight and passengers to be shipped to the Isthmus to the Peruvian Steamship boats.

ATTEMPT TO KILL FRENCH GENERAL

Would-be Assassin Overpowered by Officers After Hard Struggle.

Paris, Nov. 30.—A man believed to be insane and having a imaginary grievance against the war department, shot and seriously wounded General Verand on the steps of the Hotel Continental as the General was entering the building to attend a banquet. The man, having fired, was shot and killed by the police. It was learned that he had mistaken General Verand for General Brun, minister of war.

OLD MAN BEATEN AND BOUND BY ROBBERS

Left Helpless by Thugs, Who Secure Only Three Dollars.

Seattle, Nov. 30.—Crowding their way into his room at the Grand Central hotel, First and Main, three unknown robbers, each displaying a revolver, robbed an elderly man in the bed. After taking \$3 from his clothes, a cravat, a watch and a suit case filled with clothing, they left.

WORKMAN ESCAPES WITH FEW BRUISES

Falls Several Stories While at Work on Building in New Westminster.

New Westminster, Nov. 30.—A peculiar coincidence is the fall of Victor Johndro, a workman engaged on the six-story Dominion Trust building. Just three weeks ago the man fell ten stories in the new structure of the company in Vancouver and was picked up unconscious. Yesterday Johndro fell several stories and escaped with a few bruises.

U. S. TROOPS LIKELY TO GO TO NICARAGUA

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—The longest message ever sent to the island navy yard arrived to-day and it is believed that orders will be given to send United States troops to Nicaragua to-morrow.

HORSES CREMATED

Kansas City, Nov. 30.—One hundred and forty horses were cremated when the Blue Front livery stables caught fire. Two of the animals were high class driving horses that had taken blue ribbons at horse shows here and in Chicago and St. Louis. They were Lord Gallant, for which \$2,500 had been refused, and Blackstone, worth \$1,500. The total loss was \$60,000.

TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IN PORT ALEXANDER

Vadso Joined Other Vessels in Seeking Shelter From Gale.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) After being forced to lie up for 24 hours at Port Alexander in order to escape the gale of Saturday last, the steamer Vadso, of the Boscowitz line, arrived in port shortly after midnight. She had just crossed Queen Charlotte Sound when the wind began to blow, and Capt. Morshouse was lucky in being able to find a suitable shelter at short notice.

At Port Alexander the Vadso found the big barge Georgian with the tug Escott. The load of over twenty flat cars, with the locomotive and caboose were quite safe so far, and were waiting for fine weather before crossing the Sound to the westward. The Lorrie was at the same port waiting. A great many survey men came down on the steamer. A government party of 18 men who have been surveying in the interior joined the steamer at Prince Rupert. They came out by way of Bella Coola, were taken by tug to Bella Bella and joining the Prince Rupert steamer were taken to Prince Rupert. There were also several mining experts who joined the steamer at Goose Bay. The Vadso having made a trip especially for the purpose of bringing them out.

The Vadso brought but a small cargo south, 1,000 cases of salmon being the largest item. She has already taken on three car loads of cargo for Foley, Welch & Stewart, and will have a good cargo when she sails for the north on Thursday night.

Mrs. Morehouse came over from Vancouver with the captain, and is staying in the city a few days.

HAVOC WROUGHT BY RAINSTORM

Streets in New Westminster Are Damaged—Reports From District.

New Westminster, Nov. 30.—The present rainstorm has proved to be the most severe experienced in this district for over 25 years, the rainfall being nearly seven inches for 48 hours. As a result considerable damage has been done in all parts of the district.

The railways have suffered most. The Great Northern railway meeting with considerable trouble in addition to the awful wreck near Sapperton caused by a washed out culvert, both the Cloverdale and the new Elanor cut-off lines were blocked with slides. The Cloverdale line, however, is now clear and the trains are coming in from Seattle over the old route.

The electric car service was also affected for some time by the rails being covered up with mud and sand washed down the hills, but service has now been resumed on all lines.

Thousands of dollars' damage has been done to streets in all parts of the city.

DOUGLAS STREET TO STAND OVER

NO MORE PAVING FOR THE PRESENT

Further Works of Local Improvement Authorized at Monday's Meeting.

A large quantity of additional works of local improvement was authorized at Monday's meeting of the city council and work will be commenced on the same just as soon as weather conditions permit. Douglas street owners are very anxious that the work of paving that thoroughfare should be commenced immediately, but it is improbable that their wishes will be agreed to in that respect, as the board is of the opinion that good work cannot be done at this season of the year. It is therefore a likelihood that the job will lay over until February at least. However, the by-law authorizing the work will be advertised for the necessary fifteen days and on the expiration of that time the matter will receive further consideration.

The city assessor reported that no adverse petition had been received against the following works of local improvement:

Grading, draining and rock surfacing Langford street, and constructing permanent sidewalks on both sides of Catherine street from the easterly line of lot 1, to the easterly line of lot 11, and constructing curbs, gutters and sidewalks on the south side of Russell street to Front street; a wood block pavement on concrete foundation on Yates street from the east side of Douglas street to the west side of Blainhard street; permanent sidewalk on the west side of Moss street from Port street to Rockland avenue; permanent sidewalk on the north side of Niagara street from Beacon Hill park to South Turner street; permanent sidewalk on the north side of Niagara street from Menzies street to Oswego street; permanent sidewalk on the south side of Niagara street from Menzies street to Boyd street; permanent sidewalk on both sides of Gladstone avenue between Shakespeare street and Belmont avenue with curbs, gutters and boulevards; permanent sidewalk on the west side of Douglas street from Comorant street to Flag street; boulevards with curbs and gutters on the north side of Yates street from Quadra street to Harrison street, and on the south side between Quadra street and Port street; permanent sidewalks on both sides of Glasgow street from Oswego street to Rendell street and to grade, drain and rock surface the said street.

The city assessor reported that sufficient adverse petitions against local improvement works on St. James street and Rendell street had been received to stop the proposed work.

The report of the streets committee was adopted as follows:

1. Re application of John Thomson to the department of marine and fisheries for a water lot in Victoria harbor. Recommended that the council offer no objection to this application.

2. Re petition from the B. C. Land & Investment Agency, et al., calling attention to the dilapidated condition of the block paving on Bastion square. Recommended that this matter be left in the hands of the city engineer to make such repairs as he may deem advisable or necessary.

3. Re communication from the secretary of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, complaining of the condition of Mount Tomlin road, and of the lack of drainage. Recommended that this matter be referred to the city engineer.

4. Re petition from R. F. Milne et al. in reference to the condition of King's road between Fourth and Prior streets. Recommended that this matter be referred to the city engineer.

5. Re communication from Mrs. E. W. Carlow requesting the repair of the surface drain through her property, 2393 Douglas street. Recommended that this matter receive attention.

TWO WOMEN FIGHT DUEL WITH KNIVES

One Receives Four Wounds and Dies in Few Minutes.

Bradford, Ask, Nov. 30.—In a street duel with knives at Alicia Miss Nora Owen was injured fatally by Miss Stella Belk, and died a few minutes later.

The duel was the result of an old quarrel. Miss Owens was cut in four places, the fatal wound being in the left breast, where an artery leading to the heart was severed.

Miss Belk was arrested.

FATAL MISTAKE

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 30.—By mistaking medicinal tablets on a stand in a bedroom for two-days-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hess, residing a few miles below Bridgeport, Wash., at Bridgeport Orchards, was accidentally poisoned. On the stand in the mother's room were three kinds of tablets. Among them was one being given the infant for colic, and by mistake a tablet was taken from the envelope containing antiseptic tablets and given the baby.

RECORDS EXPECTED FROM GRAIN CARRIERS

British Barques Sail Within Ten Minutes of Each Other.

Giving the British barque Matternhorn, Captain Satter, 10 minutes' start of her British barque Howard D. Troop, Captain Durkee, which broke the world's record coming from Yokohama to Portland, crossed out of the Columbia River Saturday bound for Europe. The Matternhorn got away at 10.30 and the Troop at 10.40 o'clock. Both have grain cargoes which they took on at this port, the former clearing for Queenstown and the latter for Ipswich direct.

Old salts in Portland are certain that anything like favorable weather conditions prevail there will be some new world records established when this pair of famous windjammers reach their destination. Each skipper is a recognized expert in his calling and knows how to take every advantage of wind and wave. They are expected to scurry down to the Horn in less than 40 days and if they keep up the same pace the remainder of the voyage, they will show up at the European ports in less than 100 days. The record passage for a sailing vessel from this port to Queenstown is 89 days, and that was completed more than 20 years ago, when the old American clipper ships were antagonizing the world with their performances.

The Howard D. Troop came from Yokohama to the Columbia River in 20 days when on her recent trip to Portland. About 50 miles off the coast the captain says he encountered most nasty weather or he would have made the run in 18 days. The regular Oriental liners plying out of this port seldom make as good a showing. Usually they are more than 20 days out from the Japanese port.

Numerous fine passages have been completed by the Matternhorn since Captain Satter has been directing her movements for the past 10 years. He and Durkee believe they have the speediest ships afloat and the rivalry between them is expected to break out afresh on this trip.

PROSPECTORS MISSING ON WEST COAST

Long Absence of Rhodes Brothers Causes Anxiety Among Friends.

Clayton, Nov. 29.—About six weeks ago the Rhodes brothers of Trout river, went up the San Juan river prospecting. They expected to be out in three weeks. As nothing has been heard of them considerable anxiety is being felt by their friends here.

The polling went off quietly here Thursday, giving H. C. Brewster a majority of 40. The plebiscite also received a large majority.

Mr. Baker and Mr. Anderson, came up on the last boat to look at some mining property. Mr. Baker was here two years ago trying to get the Kolapama mine operated.

The men returned home this week from Extension Point, where they have been working on the construction of the new lighthouse.

FLOOD CLOSES DOWN WELLINGTON MINE

Damage to Railway Leads to Suspension of Mining.

Nanaimo, Nov. 30.—The Extension mines of the Wellington Colliery Company will be closed next week, but not more than a short time it is hoped. This has been rendered necessary by the damage done to the railway by the flood and the consequent impracticability of shipping coal by rail for a few days.

RAIN INTERRUPTS WORK

Ferne, Nov. 29.—The large gang of men who have been employed on the construction work of the C. P. R. yards here for some days, have been withdrawn, owing to unfavorable weather conditions. During the season many miles of new sidings have been laid in Fernie and the accommodation greatly increased, but the work is only commenced and will be continued in the spring. The amount of traffic and freight handled in the local yards is enormous, and the railway authorities being fully aware of the fact, have decided to make all the improvements necessary to handle same.

LAI D AT REST

Interment of the Late Mrs. W. W. Northcott Took Place Monday in Ross Bay Cemetery.

The remains of the late Mrs. Northcott, the beloved wife of W. W. Northcott, city assessor, were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery Monday afternoon. The funeral took place at 3 o'clock from the family residence, 239 Menzies street, and at 3.15 o'clock at St. James church, where Rev. J. H. S. Sweet conducted an impressive service. His made touching reference to the lovable character of the deceased, and gave words of comfort to the bereaved family. At the church the choir rendered the 4th Psalm, and the hymns "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" were sung.

Among those who attended the funeral were the mayor and council and city officials. A large number of friends of the late Mrs. Northcott were also present and numerous and beautiful floral tributes covered the casket. The following acted as pallbearers: A. D. McKee, A. D. Stewart, F. Riddell, S. W. Edwards, J. Taylor and W. Scowcroft.

TO ENLARGE THE CEMETERY

COUNCIL TO SUBMIT BY-LAW AT ELECTION

Twenty Acres Have Been Offered by Pemberton & Son at \$52,000.

At the forthcoming municipal elections a by-law will be submitted to the electors providing for the acquisition of about twenty acres of land for cemetery purposes, adjoining the present property at a cost of \$52,000. Monday evening's meeting of the city council the cemetery committee submitted a report making this recommendation, and the same was adopted, though the details of the proposition will be further discussed at a meeting to be held on Friday evening.

The property it is proposed to acquire is owned by Pemberton & Sons, and is composed of lots 1 to 7, in section 17, Fairfield estate, and the price asked is regarded as a fair one. The report points out that this is the one available piece of land for cemetery purposes in the locality and that now is the time to buy if the city wants to get a bargain, as land is increasing very rapidly in value in that locality. Reference is also made in the report to the fact that with the growth of the population of the city and the increasing number of deaths the cemetery is being rapidly filled up, and the day is not far distant when it will be absolutely imperative to get additional land.

A letter was received from A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company protesting against the proposal to amend the Hired Vehicles Act to allow of heavy trucks to go without lights. Mr. Goward said that inasmuch as many of the streets of the city were badly lighted the danger of collision with street cars would be considerable. The council decided to adhere to its decision to amend the by-law, and on motion of Ald. Stewart Mr. Goward will be informed that it is hoped that the streets of the city will be better lighted in the near future.

Herbert Haynes, agent of the Haslam Paving Company, forwarded a long letter, which, on motion of Ald. Turner, was taken as read and filed.

Ald. Turner objected to the time of the city council being wasted with hearing the views of agents of paving companies. The matter of selecting pavements was now in the hands of the city engineer, and Mr. Haynes could lay his views before that official. Mr. Turner's personal remarks led it to appear that the gentleman did not wish to lay before the board any argument on behalf of his pavement, but merely wished to correct errors in the various newspapers' reports as to what he had said in his several interviews with the city council.

The work of laying grantold pavements on Broad street, from Johnson to Pandora, and on Pandora avenue from Government street to Douglas street, will be postponed until something more is known of the wearing qualities of that pavement as laid down on Comorant street.

Tenders for lead pipe and brass goods for the water department were referred to the water commissioner and the purchasing agent for report.

John Colbert and A. Sherey, forwarders of lead pipes at \$4.30 per cwt. each. For brass goods three tenders were received: J. Colbert, \$2,520; E. G. Prior, \$2,757.90; A. Sherey, \$2,620. A bid of the Victoria Machinery Company for brass goods was also received, but the amounts were not worked out to a total.

THREATENING LETTERS WRITTEN IN BLOOD

Chinaman, Fearing Vengeance of Tong, Attempts to End Life.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 30.—Believing his life already forfeited and unable to await the executioners whom he had been warned would carry out the sentence of one of the warring Chinese tong of San Francisco, Long Ny I, a Chinese laundryman, made a desperate attempt to kill himself.

Upon his body, writing from the effects of a large dose of laudanum, were found a series of letters written in Chinese characters and what the police surgeons declare is human blood. Local interpreters finally told the police that the letters notified Long Ny I that his life was forfeited to the "On Yick tong, and threatened vengeance on any who should disclose tong secrets."

Long Ny I was removed to the county hospital and may recover.

STREET CARS COLLIDE

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 30.—Wet, slippery tracks, and a prevented the prompt use of the emergency brakes, resulted in a collision at Indiana avenue and Howard street, between an east-bound Indiana avenue car and a north-bound Corbin park car, both belonging to the Washington Water Power Company system.

As a result of the accident four persons were injured, one seriously.

MAY BE TOTAL LOSS

Baltimore, Nov. 30.—The steamer Brewster is ashore and will be a total loss. The lifesavers went out in face of a terrific gale and took off the crew of twenty-eight.

They had a hard fight to get back ashore, and were buffeted about on the waves for twenty hours.

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\$25,000 CASH and balance easy, for a good lot on David street, near 2 car lines.
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\$2,600—MENZIES STREET, 7-ROOMED DWELLING with modern conveniences; terms.

\$3,000—QUEBEC STREET, MODERN 7-ROOMED DWELLING, newly painted and in good order; easy terms.

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3 ROOM COTTAGE, modern, Hillside Ave., price \$1,900; \$300 cash.

TO LET.
6 ROOM HOUSE, fully modern, \$24 per month, Johnson street.

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5 ROOMS, lot 50x125.....\$1,550
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EXCHANGE.
5-ROOM COTTAGE for outside acreage.

20 ACRES OF FRUIT LAND at Vernon, planted in orchard. This is a first-class place. Owner will exchange for city property.

THE BURGLARY AT THE BROWN'S
(Continued from page)

In the same moment she whisked up that large deal box from the sideboard, and put it into the burglar's astonished arms.

"Gilbert, darling," said Mrs. Brown, very softly, "if—if he takes that horrid thing away—and sells it, or keeps it—as as a punishment no one can say anything, and—you'll make me very happy!"

Mr. Brown looked at her for a moment, and, personally, I can and do blame his weakness, but I cannot wonder at it.

"Then he'll just have to have it," he said, shortly. "Come along, you rascal, and get off!"

He put the half-crown into the burglar's hand, and led him to the front door.

Then he shut and locked the door, and walked cautiously along the darkened hall. Mrs. Brown had switched off the lights, and he prepared to follow her upstairs.

But in the darkness someone caught his hand with a soft laugh, and kissed it as though in gratitude.—Black and White.

MAYORALTY CONTEST.
Nelson, Dec. 1.—Mayor Selous has announced his intention of seeking re-election in January. He is certain to have at least one opponent, and if the moral reform party can agree on a candidate, there will be three men in the field for the mayoralty.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."
I, E. Marshall, hereby give notice that one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police, at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as "The Gorge Hotel," situated at Tilikum road, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1901.

(Signed) E. MARSHALL.
Dated this 3rd day of November, 1900.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."
I, Charles J. McDonald, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police, at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Mayne Hotel, situated at Mayne, in the district of North Victoria, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1901.

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BYLAWS PASSED BY ROYAL CITY COUNCIL

Proposed Waterworks Agreement With Richmond Again Discussed.

New Westminster, Dec. 1.—The principal matter under discussion at the regular meeting of the city council was the condition of the streets as a result of the recent heavy rains. The worst complaints came from Sapperton, the dwellers on Hospital street in particular claiming that their case merited immediate attention.

Reeve Bridge of Richmond, addressed the council regarding the proposed waterworks agreement between the city and municipality. He desired that the city construct a 12-inch main for the use of the municipality along, instead of a 18-inch main, from which water would be taken by residents of the island within the city limits. He suggested that the city lay a separate pipe to supply the city portion of the island.

Mayor Keary replied that the council had been advised by engineers that the extra inch in diameter would supply all water that the city portion required for a long time to come and the 12-inch main would not be tapped. Reeve Bridge gave assent to several minor changes in the agreement with the city requested by the council. The city objected to the municipality owning the pipe lines among other things. Mr. Bridge stated that tenders for debentures were to be opened next Monday, and he wanted to get the details of the agreement settled before that time. He especially objected to the cutting out of the clause granting the use and control of the main in perpetuity to the municipality. Richmond would be in bad position were this removed. To this the mayor replied that water would be supplied in perpetuity; the clause only concerned the main. He suggested delaying the matter until the return of City Solicitor McQuarrie.

The council was notified that the postponed meeting of the Union of B. C. Municipalities will be held in North Vancouver on Thursday, December 16th. Mayor Keary and Ald. Jardine, as delegates, were instructed to represent the city.

The Columbia street sidewalk assessment by-law, the Columbia street sidewalk assessment by-law, and the liquor license amendment by-law were reconsidered, finally passed and ordered to be signed by the mayor. The date of debenture issue in the first two was set at January 1st, 1901.

BENEFIT CONCERT PROVES SUCCESS

Aid for Families of Sufferers From Recent Interurban Wreck.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—The handsome sum of \$1,271.75 was realized at the benefit concert which originated with Con Jones, and was held at the opera house. The mayor, as secretary of the relief committee, announced to the audience the amount that had been realized, and added at the same time that Leon Melekov and the Vancouver Breweries has each promised a contribution of \$100 besides, so that they would have considerably over \$1,400 to give to the families of the sufferers from the recent tram accident on the interurban.

In addition to the assistance for sufferers already obtained, he read the following letter from R. H. Spurling, general manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, the sincerity of which he vouched for from his own observations:

"Mrs. C. S. Douglas, Honorary Secretary, Relief Committee, Vancouver. Dear Madam: It appears by press notices that a benefit concert will be held in aid of those who have suffered from the unfortunate interurban tram accident of the 10th instant. This company has made efforts to ascertain the immediate needs of the bereaved and injured, and has offered pecuniary assistance but, always willing to accept, our offers were declined.

Our proffered assistance may have been rejected from motives other than those which actuated the offers, which were solely to afford immediate adequate relief to any willing to accept same, without prejudice to any legal rights. It may be that the concert committee, which is to be commended, has knowledge of necessities cases, willing to accept a public benefit as proposed.

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MELTED WOOD IS NOW A POSSIBILITY

Product is Hard Substance With Apparent Future.

It is now possible to melt wood by heating it in a vacuum, producing a hard homogeneous substance that apparently has an industrial future before it. The history and present status of the process are given by Francis Marre in La Nature, Paris, August 14th. To melt wood "appears at first sight to be an impossibility," he remarked, "but it is, in fact, possible and practicable. Melted wood has been hitherto only a laboratory curiosity, but it may well be that industry shall presently discover practical applications of the greatest interest. He continues:

"Although wood is eminently inflammable, it melts at a relatively low temperature, but in precise conditions, and only when it is absolutely removed from contact with oxygen, so that its combustion is impossible. This may be understood when we remember what its composition is. When its immediately soluble constituents have been removed, by means of alcohol, for instance, it gives on analysis organic acids, water, oily essences, silicates, sulphates, phosphates, chlorids, and hydrocarbonates of lime, potash, soda and magnesia, carbonic acid, carbonated hydrogen, etc., that is to say, solely bodies susceptible of being evaporated by chemical affinity in the formation of determinate substances.

"Starting from these data, Messrs. Risoaur and Lenoir, the former an electrical engineer, the second a printer, studied in 1891, the problem of the fusion of wood, and after a year of investigation succeeded in producing a sample of melted wood which, although obtained without special apparatus, still had remarkable peculiarities. The details of the process are not exactly known; they operated in a closed vessel at a relatively low temperature; this is about all that we can gather from the technical journals of the period.

"But their work has been taken up by others, and now there is a full operative technique that enables us easily to obtain excellent results. A metal receiver, a sort of boiler having a double bottom through which superheated steam passes, is filled with bits of wood; it is closed by a lid similar to that used in autoclaves, and provided with a tube and stopcock communicating with an apparatus for exhausting the air. When the wood thus kept in vacuum is heated above 234 degrees F. the water and other volatile substances are given off first, and are drawn off by means of the exhausting apparatus, after which the heating is continued for about three hours.

"There then takes place a complex series of reactions and phenomena analogous to those that accompany the distillation of wood in a closed vessel, and in this way all the so-called pyrogenous products are separated; these in turn are drawn off, condensed, and separated so that they may be utilized commercially. There then remain in the receptacle only the fibrous skeleton of the wood and the mineral salts, which, taken together, constitute a friable mass. This is allowed to cool slowly, out of contact with the air, and then placed in a second boiler which, after the air has been exhausted, is filled at nitrogen under a pressure of 15 to 2 atmospheres. The whole is heated to 1500 degrees F. for two hours, and at the end of this time the wood is melted into a homogeneous, hard mass.

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formed, we are told, without drawing off the distillation products, resulting in about two hours, in the formation of a solid amorphous mass of fused wood. Melted wood, the writer goes on to say, has an undoubted industrial future, as it has a fine grain, takes a high polish, and is hard and resistant. It takes printing in readily and may be cleaned with potash, soda and turpentine.

It may also be easily cast and molded into all sorts of shapes, and by adding preservatives to it during the melting process it may be rendered practically indestructible.—The Literary Digest.

A little borax should be put into water for washing hands at this time of the year; it keeps the skin soft and white.

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