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IRISH ISSUE

Its Introduction May Mean Trouble for Mr. Redmond and Premier

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NATIONALISTS MAY CONTROL SITUATION

Humorous Scenes Attendant on Oratorical Efforts of Peers

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Irish situation is developing with exciting rapidity. The pronouncement of the National directorate of the United Irish League, advising Irishmen to vote for the government, is of little moment, for it will only affect votes which have gone to the Liberals in previous contests. What Mr. Redmond has really done is to put a powerful weapon into the hands of his bitter opponents within the Nationalist party who hold that he has given away the citadel without securing guarantees as to what Premier Asquith really means. They are the has given away the citadel without securing guarantees as to what Premier Asquith really means. They are using with marked effect. Redmond's own previous declaration that home rule stands no chance at all if prior place in the Liberal programme is given to a bitterly contested and long drawn out constitutional conflict over the House of Lords and such questions as Welsh disestablishment. Even if the Radicals are returned these two questions must occupy the two first sessions of parliament, leaving Ireland the merest crumbs from Liberal feast. Mr. Redmond's hope is that Mr. Asquith will be returned with so small a majority as to leave the balance of power in the hands of the eighty Nationalists, in which case they could compel Mr. Asquith, at the risk of his political life, to place Home Rule even before the lords questions.

Meanwhile the land purchase schemes of Unionists and Radicals alike have been creating a new Ireland with protectionist ambittons, to which it is believed farig r form makes a street of the control of

Comment on Canadian Budget
LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Pall Mall
Gazette says the outstanding features
of the Canadian budget cannot fail to
be a source of satisfaction to all imperialists.

SUTTON, Dec. 15.—Joseph Ruiter, sixty years old, and a well-known lumberman of this district, was run over and killed by an express train last night while crossing the railway

COATICOOK, Que., Dec. 15.—Eugene Guerin bled to death last night as the result of the slipping of a knife, which cut the main artery in his abdomen. He was engaged in dressing a calf at the time of the accident. He was 24 years old and married. Bled to Death.

Shelters and Waiting Rooms. OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—The railway commission proposes to order railway companies to construct within six months freight shelters and waiting rooms at all flag stations. This order will form a basis for discussion at the meeting of the board here on January 4th.

Magistrate Takes Holiday. Magistrate Takes Holiday.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Magistrate
Williams of the police court, will leave
for New York on Friday morning, and
from New York will take passage to
England. He intends to make his vacation an extended one, and does not
expect to return to Vancouver until
next May. During his absence C. J.
South, J. P., will sit in the police court.
Except for one hearing Magistrate
Williams has finished his work for this
week. Owing to the necessity of an Williams has finished his work for this week. Owing to the necessity of an adjournment of a case against Albert Smith, who is charged with having a stolen watch in his possession, Mr. Williams will sit on this case in the morning. This is made necessary by reason of his having taken all the evidence. There still remains some rebuttal evidence by the prosecution to be taken.

Public Accounts Committee Finds Another Raid on

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Hatteras With Loss of

Five Men Are Drowned Through Foundering of Large Dredge

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 15 .- The five-masted schooner Governor Ames, bound from Brunswick, Georgia, to New York, with a cargo of railroad ties, grounded and went to pieces off Wimbledon shoals, 25 miles north of Cane Hatters, on Monday effection Cape Hatteras, on Monday afternoon about six o'clock and the captain, his wife and the crew of 12 men were

wife and the crew of 12 men were killed or drowned, according to the story told tonight by Josiah Spearing, the sole survivor of the wreck, who was brought here tonight by the steamer Shawmut.

Spearing was picked up yesterday morning badly battered and half dead from cold. He says that the schooner struck about midday on Monday in a high wind and heavy fog. All attempts to launch rafts failed. The captain's wife was lashed to one part of the ship and then to another, a mast finally falling upon her and killing her. Spearing was thrown into the sea, but struggled up to some ties and hung on until rescued.

Pensions for Employees

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—One of the first of the large surface transit lines in the United States to follow the example of several of the railroads and large industrial corporations and adopt a pension system is the Breoklyn Rapid Transit company, which today announced the adoption of such a system for its veteran employees. The road employs 13,000 men, and a large road employs 13,000 men, and a large industrial to be in line for number are said to be in line for participation in the benefits of the president of the Chicago and Eastern plan.

Pailway Desi.

Rumored Railway Changes

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The province of the Main important changes are pending in the management of the Lehigh Valley (Quebec will put an export tax into effice of the Phoenix Fire Insurance for the the announcer announced the adoption of such a system for its veteran employees. The road employs 13,000 men, and a large and the election of H. I. Miller, now participation in the benefits of the provincial government may bring on the threatened tariff war disruption of trade relations with the neighboring of trade relations with the neighboring nation.

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Schooner Wrecked Near Cape
Hatteras With Loss of tary. L. P. Geolifich, M.D.P. Ghe and Dr. John T. Finnie, M.P.P. for the St. James division of Montreal, arrived here yesterday afternoon and were in conference today with the Ontario cabinet over interprevincial mat-

tario cabinet over interprovincial matters.

The two Quebec ministers and Dr. Finnie were tendered a luncheon at the parliament buildings by Sir James Whitney and his colleagues in the Ontario cabinet.

At the last interprovincial conference, held at Ottawa, the premiers of Ontario and Quebec were instructed to call the next meeting. Premier Gouin said this morning that another conference next summer had been talked of, and possibly he and Premier Whitney might discuss the matter.

Fire Damage in Toronto TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The fire which last night did damage to the extent of \$35,000 to the premises occupied by White & Co., fruit dealers, Church and Front streets, broke out afresh today and did damage to the extent of \$150,000 before it was under control.

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Provincial Premiers and Ministers
Meet—Talk of Another InterProvincial Conference.

TORONTO

More Frauds on U.S. Treasury Discovered in New York

ARBUCKLE BROS.

Amounts Paid by Refiners Now Total Nearly Three

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Arbuckle Bros., generally credited with being the largest independent rivals of the American Sugar Refining company, having acknowledged that from 1898 to 1907 they benefitted by reason of short weight on imported sugar, in settlement of all civil claims against them they have offered and the U.S. Treasury department has accepted a payment of \$695.578, with the concurrence of the attorney general. But criminal prosecution will in no way ince of the attorney general. But iminal prosecution will in no way hampered or conditioned by this

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Chief Liberal Whip III

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TELEGRAPHIC RIVALS

resident Nally Talks About Relations of Postal and Western Union Companies NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- The relation of the two great telegraph companies were discussed with apparent frank-ness today by Edward J. Nally, presi-dent of the New England Telegraph

ness today by Edward J. Nally, president of the New England Telegraph company, at the investigation conducted by the state legislative committee with a view of putting telegraph and telephone lines under the state public service commission.

Mr. Nally said that the stock of his company was owned by the Commercial Cable company, which controls the Postal Telegraph Co. of Connecticut, which in turn acts as holding company for the 41 postal subsidiaries. It is generally understood, he said, that the Mackay company, a Massachusetts business association, owns practically all the Commercial Cable stock. Asked about "a community of interests" between the Western Union and Postal Company, Mr. Nally declared that there was the hottest sort of competition between them so far as service was concerned.

was concerned.

About 80 per cent. of the telegraph business of the country, he declared, is competitive business, and he thought is competitive business, and he should be supported by the su

the two big companies split this about Western Union," he said, "is due to the unprofitable railroad business they carry."

Charge of Embezzlement. Charge of Embezzlement.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Fred Hart, a former Winnipeg boy, until recently cashier for the Dominion Trust Company, of Vancouver, was arrested yesterday in Florida charged with embezzling two thousand dollars from his late employer. He left Vancouver on November 24. A Vancouver police of ficer will be sent after him.

\_eopold Said To Be Gaining, but Has Little Hope of Long Life

BRUSSELS. Dec. 15.—King Leopold's tenacity, following yesterday's operation, is arousing the loyalty and admiration of the people. The bulletin issued tonight by the attending physicians states that the king is gaining. This has caused new hope, but it is privately feared at the court that his age will not permit of ultimate recovery. Tonight's bulletin says the king's condition is somewhat improved. The fact that the temperature for 30 hours or more after the operations is not far from normal, is taken for a sign of hope.

Smuggler of Chinamen SAULT STE. MARIE, Dec. 15.—
Robert Wagner, a well-known citizen of the American Sault, was arrested by the United States authorities in connection with the alleged smuggling in of Chinamen.

COMBATANTS TAKE HOLIDAY

Lull in Political Campaign Will Last Until After Christ-

GERMANY SCARE IS KEPT TO FRONT

Lberal Success Must Mean Limitation of Power of Lords

LONDON, Dec. 14.-The lull in the political crisis is due chiefly to sheer exhaustion of the leading combatants He considered that the contract be-tween the Postal and the Pennsylvania railroad, whereby the company oper-ates along the railroad's right of way, was unprofitable to the Postal.

on both sides after the prolonged ses-sion. In some cases Radical and Un-ionist fighters are agreeing upon a truce until after Christmas. Mr. Bal-four himself went yesterday to his on both sides after the prolonged sesfour himself went yesterday to his Scottish seat to rest and play golf until after Christmas, but Messrs. Lloyd-George and Churchill continue

fighting all they know. It is regarded as significant that one of the few places where Mr. Balfour will speak before the electors is in support of the candidature in the Shipley division of Yorkshire, of Professor Helmis, secretary of Rightfessor Helmis, secretary of RightHon. J. Chamberlain's tariff commission and supporter of his policy of
moderate duties with a preference.
The Daily Mail campaign against
Germany on the strength of the investigations of the Socialist leader,
Blatchford, is being used to convince
the British electorate of the unwisdom
of trusting the destinies of the Empire
to men who desire to reduce armaments.

ments.

Mr. Elatchford's article today ends thus: "To some of us there is sufficient cause for anxiety as 'regards German intentioms in the facts within our own knowledge. Ministers and exministers of the King must in the nature of things possess knowledge which we lack. They are anxious they warn the country of impending dangers. Are we'to believe they are mistaken, or is it reasonable to assume that the King's political, naval and military advisers are better informed than labor members and Mr. Winston Churchill?"

Mr. Lyttelton, ex-colonial secretary, speaking at Slough yesterday, said:
"Even Socialists admit the peril, as can be seen from the incisive and vigrorous articles of Mr. Blatchford. If it be true—and many of the most weighty and least alarmist men of the country believe it to be true—that during the next ten years we are going to pass through a time in which it might be the case that our supremacy at seat was going to be gravely menaced, if not actually attacked, then surely, quite apart from sentiment, as a matter of security and defence, we ought to buttress up this little state of ours with the rising strength of the young nations which sprang from us (cheers), and without whose assistance of this country must inevitably, in

declared that in view of the possibility that within fifty years the railroads of the country might be under government ownership, the national government ownership that his party if returned to power will be entitled mistake of welcoming Asquith is notable to government which after all goes not further than declaring that his party if returned to power will be entitled mistake of welcoming Asquith is pronouncement, which after all goes not further than declaring that his party if returned to power will be entitled mistake of welcoming



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Then look at the MAGNET'S extra large bowl, which is supported at top and bottom, when all others have only one end supported. A Perfect Brake which

circles the bowl. A SKIMMER in one piece that takes out all the butter fat, at the same time separates all impurities, and the MAGNET is so easy to operate a child can turn it. If you buy a MAGNET the size can be increased to larger sizes up to 1,000 lbs. an hour in the same machine and a child can turn that size also. Your close examination will show that the MAGNET is not slighted in any part and that each part is so built and fitted together that the machine will not wear out in fifty years.

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Mining in the Nort

Friday, December 17.

what stimulus f the Grand Trunk Pa ascertainment, but Skeena River is nt season, and the mantle of snow has fa able prospecting has be year much more than years, and a large nun-cations have been mad The greatest activity orther north on t cipal company operating press, it will be possible of a day or two to deal w columns, and at the same eview will be given prospects upon wh Sufficient in been done. Sufficient inf hand to confirm the opini nost reliable mining uate transportation section of the province wins rich, and as profitable tamed Kootenay in the so Zinc and Spelter

Much interest is being t zinc convention which oper at Nelson. Owing to the creasing demand for spelt est in zinc production is be noticeable every year. This due to the fact that Americ adian makers of corrugated how doing their own galvan calvanizing is the branch try which furnishes the larg

Until a few years ago this almost entirely in the has South Staffordshire sheet m degrees it has become by degrees it has become imp this side of the Atlantic, and American and Canadian man turn out an article which comp favorable with the old product, the higher grades of thin sh still imported.

The use of galvanized c sheets is still in its infancy if the Australian, South Africar dian markets have kept Engli facturers busy for the last thif the reason of this is two-f abundance of cheap lumber, heavy cost of imported shee that the product has become a the advantages of corrugated that the product has become a the advantages of corrugated lumber are being widely recois more portable, more durable much less costly in transport only drawback is that it is adapted for a damp climate, if dry belt it is easily the best dry belt it is easily the best for barns and outbuildings, an doubtedly become more populyear for this purpose. The Coal company, of Glace Bay, ton, imported corrugated shwhich to build their immen houses in 1894, and the buildingood today as when they we The future of zinc is bound u corrugated sheet trade for ou and its development will be and its development

Granby Dividend The affairs of the Granby Smelting company have fee dealt with at considerable the announcement of another of 2 per cent, which was an the last monthly meeting of pany. This dividend amou

Gypsum. cited by the amountement the Evans, Coleman & Evans, known Vancouver merchants, cured a long lease on 800 fee front at Port Moody for the of erecting a gypsum plant, erated by the British Columb company. It is understood to matter the Vancouver firm is behalf of the Pacific Coast company of Tacoma, which company of Tacoma, which

has an absolute monopoliness at the coast. The new plant will have of 50 tons per day of hard ter. The raw material is to from Alaska in large shipme tons each, and for the purpo-portation the company wil operate its own steamer will be constructed at Po that the vessels can disc cargoes at the mill. It is anufacture hard wall of Paris, and hair and ter. The mill will adjoin to the west of Fort Moody of the neighborhood of \$75

Additional interest centre velopment because of the of another Vancouver cap curing control of extens areas in the interior of B bia. It is intended that t are progressing favorably short time it will be poss short time it will be possing a definite announcement. I great opening for this new British Columbia. The rapik Vancouver and Victoria wil market for many years to cothing depends on the qual gypsum, and in this respect by experts that the British deposit is equal to any in Wada, or the States.

Oil in British Colum Oil in British Columbia came to be the topic ment, and it is about time Columbia came to her own tion with this branch of the dustry. No one who has subject doubts that sooner berta or British Columbia scene of a development whi prise the "wiscacres" who i frowned upon its prospects It is true that a great de has been spent, and up to which could fairly be call has been located, but the has been located, but ther reasons for this. The first is the first in the first is the first in the first is the first in the first in

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the other with chestnuts and to bake potatoes and cook asparagus with them until everything was a delightful brown,--and If you invited three friends to mee you at the restaurant at mi Wednesday and discuss those and the tout ensemble,—and If you waited an hour and then tele phoned one friend and found him playing bridge and he said, "To the mischief with your pheasants"; and to another makes the said to another the said he said. other, and he said, "I have married a wife, and therefore to the mischief with your pheasants" and the third with said "I am looking for a dog ottle green eyebrows and I don't like

He did anyway and that was why last evening he sat down at a table in

the face and body of a familiar. "You to the trough," said the waiting one. "Me there with the pheasants cooked your dildoed fancy. The big eat for ou. Sit down." Over his face stole a satisfied smile over his face such a state a s whilom hunter. But when comer smiling a sad, sad smile said: "Thank you old man. But phease this time of night are too rich for blood,"—the hunter tore wildly his hair and ejaculated— "Never again."

The German bark Seine, bound from

ad- new captain and crew were then e a win-wasn't the captain—who was only 28 years et and avail-of his widowed mother—was taken

ed to be afflicted with the South African sleeping sickness, awakened continue identical with those of the South African malady.

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Friday, December 17, 1909.

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the little boys had stepped on the wire first and that the other had met death trying to drag him to safety.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, Dec. 15.—It is reported here that Mr. McLean, M. L. A. of Souris; declined a senatorship recently. He is a Conservative,

Calgary Wants Coal Mine. CALGARY, Dec. 15.—A municipally-owned coal mine is now talked of by the Calgary commission. Mayor Jam-ieson appears favorably impressed with the proposal.

Dreadnoughts for Chile SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 15.—The naval committee of the chamber of deputies today decided to recommend the construction of two battleships of the Dreadnought class, the same to be completed within three years.

Telegraph Tolls. MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—The Board of Trade Council today decided to ask the telegraph companies to hold a conference with its representatives for the purpose of discussing a reduction in telegraph tolls between Montreal and to

France's Wine Crop PARIS, Dec. 15.—The wine crop of France and Algeria is 63,000,000 hecto-litres this season, against 68,000,000 hecto-litres last year. The stock on hand is 6,500,000 hecto-litres, against 9,500,000 a year ago. The American dry measure equivalent to a hecto-litre is 2.8877 bushels.

Calgary's Growth.

CALGARY, Dec. 15.—Despite the fact that Calgary has this year largely added to its schools it is found that there is even now an overcrowded condition in certain schools throughout the city. It is reported that nearly 700 new pupils have been admitted to the public schools of the city this term. Calgary's Growth.

instant, property owners of the city are to vote on a proposal to borrow \$2,000,000 for the purpose of establishing a municipal light plant. Today the Citizens' Association applied to the courts for an injunction to prevent the holding of the contemplated poll, the principal grounds being that the bylaw was defective in some of its terms and that it was not advisable under the present conditions to allow the council to act on so important a question. MONTREAL, Dec. 15 .- On the 21st

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\* Births. Macriages, Deaths

SIMPSON-On Sunday, December 12th, SCHWENGERS—On December 2nd, Oak Bay, the wife of C. P. Schwengers, of a daughter. DANIELSON—In Tonsberg, Norway, of the 19th of November, 1909, the wife of Capt. D. L. Danielson, of a son.

ELDRIGE-LEACH — At St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, by the Rev. Baugh Allen, on the 9th inst., George M. Eldrige to Miss Ada Leach; both of England.

CLUNK—Eighty-six years of age, Wily liam Clunk, a native of London, Eng., died on Friday at his son's residence, 627 Pine street. Deceased had been a shipwright by trade. The remains have been removed to the B. C. Funeral and Furnishing Co., from where the funeral will take place today at 2:30 p. m. He leaves to mourn his loss one son, Alfred Clunk, two daughters, Mrs. J. W. Bland and Mrs.

F. Salmon of Victoria, and one son and daughter in England. Chickens, per lb. live weight.

Chickens, per lb. live weight.

Ducks, dressed, per lb......

Hams, per lb...... Vegetables .10 @ .20 .03 Dairy Produce

Butter—
Alberta per lb.

Best Delry Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.
Cowloan Creamery, per lb.
Cowloan Creamery, per lb.
Salt Spring Island Creamery, b Fruit

### THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST

Six Months ..... Three months .....

the same hopeful tone is observable. It is not wholly due to the prospect of railway construction, although that is responsible for most of it. There is abroad in the community a strong conviction that the city is on the eve of a marked advance. A walk through any part of Victoria outside of the business centre will deepen this feeling. The most notable thing here at the present time is the number and character of the dwellings lately erected or in course of construction. They ected or in course of construction. They In the course of a report of Mr. are almost invariably of a high class. Borden's remarks we find these sen-They are to be seen in every directiences:

it was wise. The time has gone by pared. when people will build houses and This is in fine spirit. It shows that wait for modern improvements to the Conservative leader is too wise come to them. They want to see the and too patriotic to put partizanship improvements first, and they are wil- above his duty to his country and the ling to pay an enhanced price for the Empire. He may not meet the wishes land for the sake of them. With what of certain fire-eaters, but he is is going on in the residential sections strengthening himself and the Conand the improvements in sight in the servative party generally in the esteem business district it will sooner be no of the people of Canada. longer necessary to hurry a stranger out of town in order to show him "Victoria the Beautiful."

### MR. McBRIDE'S WORK.

indulging in a lot of wild speculation British Columbia and as to what the lows: effect will be upon the future of the I read with pleasure the resolution effect will be upon the future of the Conservative party in Canada. We commons, which pleasure the resolution passed unanimouly by the House of Commons, which pledged Parliament to proceed vigorously with the construction of the Canadian navy and to support England in every emergency, and all that, in my opinion, is required is to hold the Government of the day bound to carry that out homestly. Navies are maintained largely to promote security of mercantile shipping of

They are, however, wasting a great deal of ingenuity. It does, not seen to focur to them to look from the wasting and the court of them to look from the wasting and the court of them to look from the wasting and the court of them to look from the wasting and the court of court of the court

of its affairs has ever been trusted with a great responsibility and an unequalled opportunity, we think we may say that Mr. McBride feels a stimulus to action along very different lines than those which he is supposed to be thinking about. We may tell our eastern friends that, to a British Columbian, British Columbia offers a field for energetic statesmanship compared to which mere party triumphs look insignificant. There may come a time when events will lead Mr. McBride into the federal arena, but speaking for itself the Colonist hopes that it will be many years before the call of party is more influential with him than the call of his native province. There is a great work to be done in British Columbia, and we are confident that Mr. McBride will not leave it undone merely to gratify any personal ambition that he might entertain.

### A CANADIAN NAVY

In these times, when some unwise seeking to make political dist capital for their party, or rather against their opponents, by belittling what

Sent postpaid to Canada and the United Kingdom.

A TONE OF OPTIMISM.

Everywhere throughout the city one notes a marked tone of optimism. It finding expression in real estate purchases, in projects for local improvements and in general expressions of opinion. Wherever one goes the same hopeful tone is observable. It is not wholly due to the prospect.

We are, he said, about to begin the nucleus of our navy. I know that Canada also prepared to take her place and do her share in contributing to the defence of the Empire. It is the first duty of Parliament to protect the trade of the country, and I believe that the government is voicing the sentiments of the popular to protect the trade of the countries smaller than Canada have fleets. Chili, with 3,500,000 people of this province. Therefore only 6,000,000 people and seventeen ships, and other countries such as Sweden, Norway, Brazil and the Netherlands have all navies to protect their trade routes and safeguard their coast. It is not wholly due to the prospect.

We have on one or two occasions

spoken of the letter written by Sir Charles Tupper to Mr. Borden on this question. A good part of the letter is taken up with references to forme epochs in the political history of Can-Some of our eastern exchanges are ada. The portions, which refer espeada. The portions, which refer especially to the question now occupying know somebody will sue some newstant attention of the people, are as followed by the attention of the people, are as followed by the attention of the people, are as followed by the attention of the people, are as followed by the attention of the people, are as followed by the people are as followed by the people at the p as to why the government carried the attention of the people, are as fol- paper for omitting her name from those

thoroughly effective manner, but .1 cannot avoid thinking that a fearful responsibility will rest upon those who disturb or destroy the compact entered into on this vitally important ques-

In the face of statements of this Canada is to do in regard to a navy, it is pleasant to read what men, who contemporaries to the proposed Cana have some sense of responsibility, say.

Messrs. Brodeur and Borden spoke at a recent meeting of the Manufacturers' Association in Montreal. Among the things said by Mr. Brodeur we find the things said by Mr. Brodeur we find the speaks with undisguised glee of an alleged prospect that hostility to a naval We are, he said, about to begin the programme of any sort on the part of

to by Mr. E. Mackay Edgar, of the London banking firm of Sperling & Co. Mr. Edgar stated that arrangements had been made to finance the nucleus of the future fleet, whose vessels will sail between Montreal, Quebec and Liverpool, in connection with the C.N.R.'s growing transcontinental system

They are to be seen in every direction and they are numbered by scores. The day of the cheap looking structure has vanished, and such few shacks as remain over from less prosperous days are rapidly vanishing.

The permanent sidewalks and boulevards are in keeping with the new movement. We know that many citizens were opposed to the rapid extension of this class of work, but we think that they must be satisfied that it was wise. The time has gone by We also read in our exchanges of tawa is being pushed forward, so that when the links of the transcontinen-tal sections are supplied, the company will be in an unsurpassed position to handle business. We note that the Railway Committee has approved of the Bill to enable the Edmonton and Slave Lake railway company to consolidate with the Canadian Northern, This is interesting news to British Columbia, for it will give the merchants of our cities a route whereby the ew Canadian Northern can be reached with facility. All these things show that the Canadian Northern is very much alive.

Toronto World omitted Toronto barrister's name from court proceedings. Toronto barrister has sued Toronto World for damages. Next thing we present at a tea-fight...

One of the results of the recent con-One of the results of the recent con-ference between the representatives of the self-governing Dominions and the British ministry will be that hereafter before engaging in war against any foreign power, Canada and Australia, and doubtless also New Zealand and and doubtless also New Zealand and

### XMAS GIFT FOR DERFUM MOTHER

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and try them. See our like
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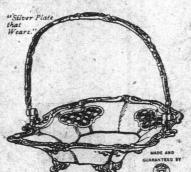
WE WANT everybody to feel that this is their Christmas store—that this big store is capable of meeting the demands of all and giving the best gift satisfaction to be found in the West. But to get the utmost satisfaction you should shop early—should use the first of the last nine days. After today there are but 9 short shopping days left before Christmas.

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please, by all means choose from this stock. These pieces come from the largest makers of silverplate in the world and are fully guaranteed by them and by ourselves.

You'll get exclusive goods with an absence of "exclusive" prices if you buy here.

### Butter Dishes From \$4

The newest designs-and many of them -are shown here. The choice of prices is also broad and you'll find a gift of merit, at the price you pay, among these. We have them here ready for you, priced from \$10 to ... \$4

### Card Receivers From \$3 ard Receivers for any lady who has a

And most of them have, so you'll be safe in sending one of these. The little prices should appeal to your purse. Don't imagine because price is small that style is lacking. \$8 

### Sandwich Plates at \$5

SANDWICH PLATES make tasty little sandwiches still more palatable. least these plates would. We have yet to see more attractive patterns-we don't think you have. You are safe in sending one of these. Priced from \$9 

# "Silver Plate that Wears"

A handsome article and just as practical and useful as it is handsome. Whether it is used to serve plain baked beans or the most dainty dessert, it recommends itself to every housekeeper as most

desirable. From \$5 to \$15

### Fern Pots From \$3.50

FERN POTS of more than ordinary worth, these. A fern in any sort of receptacle is attractive in the home, but put one in one of these and you have something that would grace any table or home. The best we have shown Priced \$12 to ..... \$3.50

### Soup Tureens From \$8

SERVICEABLE PIECE OF SIL-VER you should send to your own Always useful but doubly desirable in the winter season. The designs are of superior worth, the silverplate the very finest. Let us show you some interesting styles at \$15 to...\$8

### Berry Dishes From \$4

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Here is an ideal little gift at a little price and a special value. A dainty pair of open salt cellars with two sterling silver 

## value from a splendid stock of gift things to be found in this store.

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### Tea Trays from \$10

TEA TRAYS-How about a Tea Tray for some homekeeper? Serviceable and stylish-a gift bound to be appreciated by any married woman. We have just received some splendid styles. Prices range from \$20 to \$10.

## Special NEWEST THING \$4.50

Here is the very newest thing in Spoon Trays-a handsome pierced silver design. A most attractive shape. Ideal as a gift piece and special value at this price ... \$4.50

### Candelabra from \$12.50

CANDELABRA-We have never offered you a better assortment of these. For a woman who delights in an attractively "laid" table here is a gift suggestion of merit. Come and see these at from \$17.50 to.......... \$12.50

### Crumb Sets from \$4

CRUMB SETS-A silver crumb set strikes us as being a desirable gift. An item that'll be used several times each and every day, of this and every year-for the silver is of the best-it'll wear. From \$50 to \$4

### Cake Baskets from \$4

CAKE BASKETS-The day of the cake basket is again dawning. And we are ready for the demand sure to come. The new arrivals are exceptionally fine. Send a cake basketbound to be appreciated. From \$10

## Some Charming New Arrivals in Sterling Silver

Last week the Silverware Department received a large shipment of new Sterling Silver Pieces—specially chosen for the holiday season. These pieces represent the very latest ideas, they are the finest creations of the foremost silversmiths. Sterling silver makes an ideal gift—it's everlasting. We make no charge for attractive cases for these pieces. Choose a gift

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North Saanich, has large sections, one and the other of severare located about a gardeness. affected the nu

what was paid or purchasers are not from whom inquiry day, while not adverse foregoing statements, vulge the details outlin Sidney Sub-Divis The lots included in the division, which have beethe market by the Island Co., also are finding a read terday three were disposeing the total sale up to vof all that are available, the expectation of the agare feeling most optimist that the buoyancy of Sais only exceeded by that inside holdings at the province of the reason for

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refreshing slumber. The His Majesty tonight is satisfactory.
Today has been doubl in Belgian history. In of Prince Albert, who has right to sit in the senat adopted, with the concurchamber, a military law threatened to overturn. The measure involves the versal of the system of army. It provides for tone son in each family it cruiting by lot. But, mo all are forbidden to him. The bill fixes the peace 48,000, and war strength King Leopold favors the supporters have been in that he should have the cattach his signature to torps to see the King w. States Minister, who we fortnight ago, preparator parture to his new port in King was then in the gand conversed in English.

U. M. W. Offic PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. ers affiliated with the Workers of America vot the country today for natrict officers. National F Lewis, the present incu posed by Wm. Green, of of district number six.

WASHINGTON, Dec. port by the war depart House today the \$8,000.0 a canal to connect Lake the Mississippi River by Croix River, is commercially impracticable able, though practicable gineering point of view.

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## OTTO WEILER BUYS JUBILEE OF ITS SAANICH ACREAGE

Friday, December 17, 190%.

of Land-Marked Move-

Sidney Sub-Division. Sidney Sub-Division.

The lots included in the Sidney subdivision, which have been placed on the market by the Island Investment Co., also are finding a ready sale. Yesterday three were disposed of, bringing the total sale up to within a few of all that are available. This exceeds the expectation of the agents. They are feeling most optimistic, stating that the buoyancy of Saankoh realty is only exceeded by that of Victoria's inside holdings at the present time. What is the reason for the demand or property in South and North Saa-

for property in South and North Saanich?

The question was asked a resident of one of the districts and he furnished two without hesitation. First, he declared, both the farmers and those looking for profitable investment had been reassured by the endorsement of the McBride government and its rall-way policy by such an overwhelming majority at the recent election. There was no doubt that the Barkley Sound road would bring to Victoria that prosperity for which its citizens had been working for years. But, from the standpoint of the Saanich people, that which was of even greater importance was the endorsement by local rate-payers of the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. agreement, the steps that had since been taken to instal a larger power plant on the West Coast, and the promise, as a result of the construction of a belt electric road through the Saanich peninsula. That was what was bringing the realty of the two municipalities into prominence, in his opinion; it was that which was making it attractive to the investor and there wasn't the slightest doubt that, when it happened, both the darmers and Victorians would benefit immeasurably.

## KING LEOPOLD SHOWS STRENGTH

Aged Monarch Undergoes Severe Operation and May Recover

BRUSSELS, Dec. 14.-King Leopold BRUSSELS, Dec. 14.—King Leopold today underwent a most serious operation, and astounded the surgeons by the manner in which he withstood it. His remarkable recuperative powers manifested themselves directly he regained consciousness, and the optimistic spirit which he has shown throughout the course of his illness returned to him.

manifested themselves directly he regained consolousness, and the optimistic spirit which he has shown thorough out the course of his illnoss returned out the course of his illnoss returned. The operation was for relief of simple obstruction of the intestines. The operation was for relief of simple obstruction of the intestines. Tonight the King is making a plucky dight for life. He was even strong fight to slim the remate. But the just passed by a paralysis, and the probably last three days. There is a possibility that the intestines will probably last three days. There is a possibility that the intestines will be gripped by paralysis, and cheerful He was so talkative that he doctors were obliged to warn him, after which the patient ell. Leopold emerged from the operation of enterotomy with a regular puise, and cheerful He was so talkative that he doctors were obliged to warn him, after which the patient ell. The condition of the proposed of Prince Albert, who has a hereditory.

Today has been doubly momentous in Belgian history. In the presence of Prince Albert, who has a hereditory as short line, is shown by the calling of Prince Albert, who has a hereditory as hort line, is shown by the calling for Prince Albert, who has a hereditory as short line, is shown by the calling for Prince Albert, who has a hereditory as short line, is shown by the calling for Prince Albert, who has a hereditory as short line, is shown by the calling for Prince Albert, who has a hereditory of the construction of Prince Albert, who has a hereditory of the construction of the construction of the strong of the construction of the constructio

# INTRODUCTION

Pays \$30,000 For Large Tract Local Masons Celebrate Fif- Mackenzie & Mann Negotiatieth Anniversary of Free Masonry in Province

drand Master H. N. Rich, Ladner; Deputy Grand Master E. B. Paul, Victoria. Senior Grand Warden F. J. Burde,

Junior Grand Warden James Stark, Vancouver.
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Senior Deacon C. H. Gatewood, Van-

Junior Deacon P. J. Riddell, Victoria. Director of Ceremonies G. D. Chris-

Grand Stewards G. T. Fox, Victoria, and S. M. Manuel, Esquimalt.

The New Temple

The new Masonic temple, which was dedicated yesterday, will give local members of the craft one of the fings headquarters on the coast. The old building altered and added to, now forms a handsome structure with every convenience. At an expenditure of about \$17,000 the former quarters have been more than doubled. The new portion has a frontage of \$5 feet on Fisquard street and a depth of 50 feet, and is three stokeys in height. The construction work was under the charge of 66 feet on Fisquard street and a depth of 50 feet, and is three stokeys in height. The construction work was under the charge of 66 feet on Fisquard street, the old entire of the building will be utilized and a complete heating plant installed. As a result the accommodation in the matter of lodge rooms has been greatly increased. The main entrance to the building is now in the new, wing and beautifully carved in emblematic designs the entrance gives access to a hallway of handsome design and fittings of which are of the best. The third floor contains the main lodge room, chapter room, and the correct of the supply of the carpets and upholstery and the furnishings of the sunday long of the carpets and upholstery and the furnishings of the main lodge room presents a striking and rich appearance. In the gallery at the rear of the lodge room is placed by fine pipe organ of Estey manufacture. The lighting arrangements are perfect, the fixtures and general design beins either the fixtures and general design beins either the correct of the supply of the carpets and upholstery and the furnishings of the fixtures and general design beins either the correct of the lodge room is placed by fine pipe organ of Estey manufacture. The lighting arrangements are perfect, the fixtures and general design beins the fixtures and genera

## OFFER MADE FOR ISLAND CHARTER

ting for V. & B. S. Rail-

The purchase of three hundred acres of Saanch peninsula land, situated in the icinity of Sidney, by Otto Weiler, of the civity for \$30,000 is one of the many recent important realty deals may recent important realty deals where transpired in the municipal that have transpired in the municipal that section as has been moving as actively in that section as has been as actively in that section as has been the case here. The increase in the province and policy in the section of the spectrum of the province and dedicating the hall took place and in the symmetry of the interesting that the vesting addresses were delivered when the evening addresses were delivered of the symmetry of the state of the case here. The increase in the section is a size of the canadian Northern, for the purchase of the canadian Northern, for the purchase of the canadian Hortzer and works of the Canadian Northern, who have completed and in the province and dedicating the hall took place and in the province, Tuesday afternoon and carried the number of sails, in fact.

M. W. Brother A. De Wolf Smith, of New Westminster, the historian of the Grand Lodge, read a most interesting paper upon the history of Free Masonry in this province. The was formed in the city of the sail will, it is expected, be consummented that the company in this province. The westminster, the historian of the Grand Lodge, read a most interesting paper upon the history of Free Masonry in this province. This was followed by addresses by M. W. Brothers A. McKeown, R. B. McMasonry in this province and a wolk state of the Canadian Northern, who have completed at the more of the Canadian Northern, who have completed and the province, Tuesday afternoon and carried the number of sails, in fact.

M. W. Brothers A. De Wolf Smith, of Masonry in this province as a most incress in the local company and arrangements for the completion of the Grand L Canadian Northern, will leave Toronto for this city on the 2nd January, accompanied by the company's general counsel, Mr. Z. A. Lash, and the secretary, Mr. Moore, to confer with the Premier in respect to the legislation embodying the contract for C. N. R. construction through British, Columbia, which will be laid before the legislature on the 20th proximo.

It is expected that Mr. Mackenzie or the other officials of the company named will remain in Victoria until this legislation has passed the House and received the Governor's assent.

E. J. Chamberlain, vice president and general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific, is also coming west toward the end of the present month, and will probably remain in Victoria until the opening of the session.

WINNIPEG ELECTION Mayor Evans Re-Elected By Very Large Majority of Very Small Number of Votes Cast.

tie, Victoria.
Grand Superintendent of Works Wm.
Henderson, Victoria.
Marshal W. H. F. Richdale, Victoria.
Sword Bearer L. Tait, Victoria.
Grand Standard Bearer A. F. Forbes, Victoria.
Grand Stewards G. T. Fox, Victoria, and S. M. Manuel, Esquimalt.
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votes.
The four sitting controllers Messrs.
Cockburn, Waugh, McArthur and Harvey, were re-elected. Two other candidates, A. W. Puttee and Thos. Wil-

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A telegram appears in the London papers today from Prince Henry of Prussia, dealing with a series of articles, written by the Socialist Blatchford, which are be ing printed in London.

In these articles, Blatchford declares that Germany is making preparations for war on a large scale, and is building a great navy, which can only be destined for use against England, and includes the statement that officers of the German warships are in the habit of daily drinking the simple toast, "Am Tag," meaning thereby a day attack on England.

Prince Henry's telegram characterizes the last statement as "a beastly lie from begining to end," and adds "We honor and respect our British, naval brother officers, with whom we are broud of being on friendly terms."

War Secretary Haldane, addresing a political meeting in Scotland last night, said that he did not think Germany had the least intention of invading Great Britain. The German people, he believed, desired to live well with the British, but, he added, "We shall keep our powder dry."

forinight ago, preparatory to his departure to his new port in Mexico. The King was then in the gayest of spirits and conversed in English.

\*\*U.M. W. Officers.\*\*

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\*\*PITTSBURG, P.B., Dec. 14.—The miners affiliated with the United Miner Workers of America voted throughout the country today for national and district officers. National President Thos. Lewis, the present incumbent, is opposed by Wm. Green, of Online, president of district officers. National President Thos. Lewis, the present incumbent, is opposed by Wm. Green, of Online, president of district unimer six.

\*\*WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—In a report by the war department to the House Use, commet Lake Superior and the Ministed Style Sty

# Appropriate Christmas Remembrances

GIFTS WHICH WILL BE DOUBLY WELCOME BECAUSE OF THEIR PRACTICABILITY AND STERLING WORTH



From top to bottom the whole store is in full bloom with "gifty" things -practical and beautiful things for personal and home adornment-for comfort and service-things which cost less than expensive frivols and trifles, yet are far more valuable and acceptable to their recipients.

Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Umbrellas, Waists, Belts, Fancy Linens, Traveling Rugs, Silk Waistings, Evening Gowns, Silk Hose and the like in gladsome array.

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Ladies' Fancy Neckwear, Mufflers and Motor Scarfs. Silk Shawls and Woollen Shawls. Ladies' Waists in Silks, Nets and Washing Materials.

Evening Costumes in pretty Nets and other Materials, Our Ribbon Department is particularly well stocked in all the shades required.

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From now until Xi. e as for swill be coming in every day by Express.

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We have never been quite so well pleased with our display of Fit-Reform Suits as at this moment.

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Fit-Reform styles seem to be the styles that meet every man's ideas of good taste.

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Fit-Reform values are in a class by themselves-because there is nothing in Canada with which to compare them.

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VICTORIA'S LEADING WINE DEPOT This will be a busy month. Kindly place your orders in early and very greatly oblige. It will help us and be more satisfactory to you.

# What's This?

the best Scotch Whiskey ever sold in Canada for the price. A mistake in shipping has overstocked us at this season, and we are reducing the price accordingly. Regular value \$1.25. Our price while these goods last, only ......\$1.00

## Dinner Favorites:

Fine Old Sherry, per bottle ......\$1.00 Very Choice Apricot and Peach Brandy ....\$1.75 

Benedictine, pints .. \$1.50 Orange Curacao, per stone jar ..... \$1.25 Chartreuse, per bottle, \$1.75, \$2.50 and ...\$3.25 Traver's Tawny Portvery choice-per bot-

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Friday, December 17, 1909.

HER \$60 HAT RUNED

Pine Bluff, Ark.-Because

resembled a pot of flowers, which cost Miss Victoria I

ollars, was ruined.

Miss Harrell placed

a jardiniere amid ferns porch of her house, an

friends for an automobile Some time afterwards, came out to sprinkle the

share of the water. When returned she found her ha

Many a woman finds he her figure and her health

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pimples, blotch

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Attacks. "Fruit-a-tives"

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25c.—at all dealers tives Limited, Ottawa.

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ON E. & N. RAILW

Because of Two Serious

Wash-Outs

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No trains will leave the E

Railway company's local for Island East Coast points Both freight and passenger s

made by H. E. Beasley, the s tendent, yesterday afternoon, the receipt of information that were two more serious wash-o the line between here and Lad;

prospect is that there will connection with Wellingto

aimo, Ladysmith, Duncan, and centres for some days—perhaps the end of the week This, the second serious break

rvice this winter, has been of by the washing away of

about one half a mile north o ichan and on the road somew the vicinity of the Slica Brick

At these two points, according report received by Mr. Beasle rails have been undermined for one hundred feet.

How long it will take to

How long it will take to mak necessary repairs the superinte couldn't say yesterday. At that he hadn't obtained all the details ed to make an accurate estimate time would be lost, he declared, it ting the road in shape. A pile and other machinery was on its who break near the city, and with all equipment requisite wo concentrated at both wash-out first thing today, where they remain working under high pruntil the line was in condition the passage with safety of

mit the passage with safety of freight and passenger trains.

Meanwhile the City of Nanai

oria and East Coast cities. She this morning, and will continue cording to present arrangement the same schedule as that adopting the same schedule as that adopting the same schedule as that adopting the same schedule as the same

the steamer Charmer on the occ

France Horrified at Discovery Crimes—Insanity and Robery.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—France has stirred by the discovery of two herimes. At Marseilles a wine slew his whole family and kille self. He shot his mother and throats of his wife and three country argon.

At a farm near Tonnerre, to cowherds, bent on robbery, lifarmer, his wife and four do to a cowhouse, where all were tered. The murderers escape

C. P. R. Improvements

MURDER WHOLESAL

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# NO CHANGES

Mr. Fielding's Announcements in His Annual Budget Speech

### ACTION IN MATTER OF TRADE COMBINES

Mr. Foster Severely Arraigns Government on Waste of Money

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.-The announ

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The announcement that there would be no changes in the tariff this year, that the surplus for the present year amounted to \$16,500,000 and that the increase during the year in the public debt was \$45,969,000 were the features in the budget speech delivered this afteraoon in the House of Commons by Hon. Mr. Fielding.

The finance minister began by alluding to the changed conditions underwhich the speech was made this year, the depression having entirely disappeared. A very large portion of the speech was devoted to figures showing how the prosperity of the country had again recovered its stride, the figures of the different departments of the govagain recovered its stride, the figures of the different departments of the government being quoted to this end. For the current fiscal year, which had still. 3½ months to run, the income had been \$84,666,509, a gain of 9½ millions over the same period last year. The total estimated expenditure on the National ital railway to date had

Naval Expenditure.

His reference to the naval questi was eagerly awaited. He announced that this expenditure would be chargeyear, but he did not announce the policy of the government in connection with them, though he defended the system and declared that it had been productive of good results. These bountles bounties expired at the end of nex tem and declared that it had been productive of good results. These bounties had not been popular, but the government, he declared, had not lost a dollar through that aid to worthy industries. The finance minister also declared that the unit of taxation was on March that the unit of taxation was on March that the unit of taxation was on the basis of a

postmaster general. There should be some businesslike method of construct-ing public works. He took up the boast of the "business management" of Mr. ing public works. He took up the boxed of the "business management" of Mr. Fleiding, and proved by the eight years' management of the Yukon territory that there had been a total deficit of \$2,246,567. That was about \$170 a head.

### CALIFORNIA'S RUGBY TEAM IS SELECTED

The University of California will send a rugby team to Vancouver to meet that city's best sometime towards the end of the month. While the Terminal City fifteen are practicing, and will have a first-class try-out next Saturday when they meet Victoria on their own grounds in one of the Mc-Kechnie cup series, the southerners are training.

This is what a San Francisco exchange has to say about the team chosen:

change has to say about the feam chosen:

"The California team selected is a very strong one and if in first-class condition I do not think they will have any trouble in keeping a hold on the Keith cup. Condition, however, is going to be the thing that will count in the games at Vancouver. The California team has been out of training since the big game and it is natural to suppose the men have lost the fine condition they were in for that contest. Trainer Christie is to accompany the team."

Peart.
Five-eighths—Elliott and Allen.
Half—Captain Cerf.
Forwards — Phleger, Markwart,
Pauly, Ashley, Hansen, Graff, Jordan,
Northcroft, Bennett and Hunter.
Reserves—Stroud, Morris and Evans.
Trainer—W. Christie.
Manager and coach—J. Schaeffer.

TUG ENTERPRISE WRECKED ON TEXADA

Capt. Deighton and Two Men on Board Escaped By Swimming—Watched Vessel Break Up. VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—The tug Enterprise, owned by Capt. Deighton, was wrecked on the shore of Texada Island in Friday night's storm. Deighton and two men aboard the tug had a narrow escape. They swam ashore and watched the tug and scows break

## PREMIER RETURNS FROM KAMLOOPS

Convention the Greatest History of the Province-Meets Delegations

British Columbia's favorite son, Hon emier McBride returned on Tuesday ening from Kamloops, where he has

The convention, says the premier, was unquestionably the best i of any political party ever held in Britof any political party ever held in Brit-ish Columbia—from the north as far even as the Skeena, and on the south from the international boundary and far-away East Kootenay. The arrange-ments made for the entertainment of keith cup. Condition, however, is got on the best of the ching that will count in the games at Vancouver. The Californate team has been out of training since the big game and it is natural to suppose the men have lost the fine condition they were in for that contest. Trainer Christie is to accompany the team."

Here are the men who will make the trip:
Fullback—J. Swiggins.
Three-quarters—Harris, Watts and Peart.
Five-eighths—Elliott and Allen.
Half—Captain Cerf.

Markwart.

Met Delegation.

The entertainment of the entertainment of their many visitors by the Conservatives to their many visitors by the Conservatives by vote decided to come into the Great-factory in the extreme, while the ban-factory in the extreme, while

While in Kamloops, the premier was waited upon by an influential delegation representative of the city council and the board of trade of Kamloops, the latter body being championed by J. Gill, J. Milton and Dr. Wade, while the former was represented by Ald. Noble, Taylor and Bayntun. In addition to these chosen spokesmen of the occasion, the deputation was reinforced by Mayor Met Delegation. chosen spokesmen of the occasion, the deputation was reinforced by Mayor Robinson, President C. W. Hallamore, of the board of trade, E. J. Hosker, J. P. Shaw, the member-elect; E. Shaw, and several other citizens. The needs and desires of Kamloons in connection with

loops' needs in this regard and he would make it his business to see that everything possible was done to meet their wishes. He could not hold a pistol at tae head of the Canadian Nor hern this matter but he knew that it was intended to have C. N. R. shoys, ctc., built in Kamloops. He assured the deputation that he would do everything in his power to meet their wishes.

Care of Consumptives.

Mayor Robinson directed the premier's attention to the urgent need of some provision being made for the care of advanced cases of consumption, many of which came to Kamloops, the suffere of advanced cases of consumption, many of which came to Kamloops, the suffere res in many cases being in indigent circles.

Vancouver Monday, but without serious injury.

Vancouver's tram traffic on Broadway was temporary deranged Monday by the collapse of a bridge on Ninth avenue.

The Westholme Lumber company was the heaviest suffere by the recent gale at Prince Rupert. The loss to this company affoat approximates \$800.

All the sitting aldermen of North Vancouver will seek re-election at the approaching elections. Ex-Mayor Kealy, J. Irwin will probably be candidates for

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his clothes, his lumber and his food.
And yet Mr. Flelding came down prously to parliament and thanked providence for such a gift as Sir Wilfrid
Laurier."

Mr. Foster dealt hardly with the extravagance of the minister of public
works, who had placed, he said, buildings in the shape of postoffices in rural
constituencies, where the requisition
had never been counteranced by the

# ROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS

and it is expected that the work of constructing a large elevator in the Royal City will be commenced in 1910. Chinese Victimized.

Elmer Olney has been arrested by the povincial police on a charge of stealing seven cheques from Chinamen working at the new coal mines at Su-quash, Vancouver Island. It is alleged that the Chinamen gave Olney the cheques ready endorsed in the letters which he was to register and post for them at Alert Bay. Instead, Olney seems to have gone with them to Van-couver, where it is learned that he cashed four of the cheques. Informa-tion of the fact that the letters given to Olney had never been registered to on or the fact that the letters given to Olney had never been registered came with a request for his arrest, which the provincial police of the Terminal City carried out. The cheques vary in value from \$14 to \$36 and total about \$200.

Seeking Chicago Embezzler.

Pinkerton detectives are on their way to Vancouver from Chic make diligent search for J. J. a fugitive from Chicago who is said thave embezzled between \$25,000 an a tigitive from Chicago who is state have embezzled between \$25,000 and \$150,000 some six years ago. Oesch was the trusted confidential man in one of the large tea houses in Chicago He had absolute control of the finances and, it is said, wrecked the firm.

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No new businesses are to be permit-ted on the reserve at Prince Rupert.

C. Stone, of Vancouver, has pur-chased the mill and business interests

Big Elevator for Westminster.

New Westminster has been decided on as a site for the large terminal elevators for the purpose of handling grain from the prairie provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. A recently organized company known as the Alberta Pritish Columbia Elevator and Wharf Company has decided to erect terminal elevators in New Westminster, Vancouver, and Prince

Big Elevator for Westminster.

PRINCE RUPERT CHARTER

At a meeting of the Charter committee, committee, held on Saturday night last at to reports here today from western Prince Rupert, the following provisions were recommended to the citizens in several hours late.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—According to reports here today from western Pennsylvania points, the damage caused by several hours were recommended to the citizens in several hundred thousand dollars. Wire of the city:

1. The qualification for mayor at the fell miles.

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It was a distance of 2,350

The last grey challer, and from before his eyes

This glorious world that Shakespeare loved so well,

Slowly, as at a beck, without sum prise—

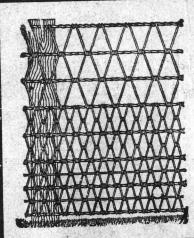
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Whom now the living and the dead
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Turned to that page in stormy Cymbeline,
That bears the dirge. Whether he read

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544-546 Yates St

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Ticket-Takers on C. N It is reported on good author the Canadian Northern railros templating a very radical of passenger train management change, it is said, is to consisting the task of ticket collecti the hands of the conductors a ing it in the hands of regular collectors, who will accompatizations. The work of the conductors are trained to the conductors are trained to the conductors. will thus consist merely of a superintendence of the train, handling of train orders, and, responsibility of taking ticket ed, it is considered that more can be given to the orders, an fore, that the danger of accidents of the orders of the orders of the orders. be less. This system has on several lines in the south, carded by some, while reta others. The reported change C. N. R. has not yet been

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 13.of dead in the tong war bet
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CHIPS FROM LOWERY'S LEDGE

"Whom He Chasteneth"—How the Lord must love the Liberals in British

Oh Chill Coquette—There has been some life in the weather lately and every night the thermometer has been

The 'Orn is on the 'Ead-Parties claiming the bounty on big horned owls must in future produce the head and not the legs, as hitherto. The Women in Scarlet—In Fernie, slection day, a lady Socialist appeared on the streets dressed in red from hat

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Reforms on the Reserve—In Fort George the majority of the ladies be-long to church and will not dance on

Omnipotency—The Golden Star has lost some ads because the paper was not run to suit some of the local people. The Star man should run his paper to suit everybody and then he would not be bothered with any ads

Prima Facie Evidence—The Noyember "Collier's" contains an article entitled "Old and New Kootenay," by E. W. Dynes. We know the article is good because part of the article we wrote years ago when the bloom was on the boom in Kootenay.

Fine Art Collection.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Some of the finest art treasures in existence may come into the market through the recent death of George Salting, a Dane, who inherited a great Australian tune, and who devoted his whole tune, and who devoted his whole life and income to art. He became one of the best known collectors in Europe, but apart from this passion, Salting was miserly. He lived frugally in two rooms, which were crowded with priceless treasures. Popular report credited him with never having given a cent to charity, and of never spending one unnecessary cent on his person. Salting's collection of porcelains on loan to the Kensington Museum, is the finest perhaps in the world. Many on joan to the Kensington waterum, the finest perhaps in the world. Many of the paintings he owned now hang in the National Gallery. One of the conoisseur's eccentricities was a reluctance to make a will, and the museum officials fear lest the preclous collection be disposed of through the collection be disposed of through the auction rooms.

The Death of Tennyson.

They tell that when his final hour drew near, He whose fair praise the ages shall WAII rehearse, Whom now the living and the dead hold dear, Our gray-haired master of immortal

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Its woe, its pride, its passion and its Like mists and melting shadows passed away.—Archibald Lampman.

## AGED KING'S HER \$60 HAT RUINED Pine Bluff, Ark.—Because it so nearly esembled a pot of flowers, a Paris hat hich cost Miss Victoria Harrel sixty which cost Miss Victoria Harrer sixty dollars, was ruined. Miss Harrell placed her new hat over a jardinlere amid ferns on the front porch of her house, and went with friends for an automobile ride. Some time afterwards, her mother came out to sprinkle the flowers and the covered jardinlere came in for its share of the water. When Miss Harrel returned she found her hat ruined. Many a woman finds he complexion

Friday, December 17, 1909

Attacks.
"Fruit-a-tives" or fruit juice tablets.

Many a woman finds he complexion her figure and her health ruined, be-cause she does not heed nature's warn-Constipation is what causes so many OPERATION TODAY pimples, blotches and redness of the skin—so many upset stomachs—so many headaches, backaches and Bilious

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50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, or trial size 25c.—at all dealers or from Fruit-atives Limited, Ottawa.

Some Pathetic Scenes at Bed—side of Old and Weary Monarch

At a farm near Tonnerre, two Swiss Cowherds, bent on robbery, lured a farmer, his wife and four domesties to a cowhouse, where all were slaugh-tered. The murderers escaped to a

Coal Mines Able to Resume—Preparations at Nanaimo For Big Run of Herring.

trains. The work of the conductors will thus consist merely of a general superintendence of the train, and the handling of train orders, and, with the responsibility of taking tickets removed, it is considered that more attention can be given to the orders, and, therefore, that the danger of accidents will be less. This system has been tried on several lines in the south, and discarded by some, while retained by others. The reported change on the C. N. R. has not yet been officially confirmed.

Proportional Representation. OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—Hon. W L. Mackenzie King was today appointed chairman of the committee on proportional representation.

FIGHT FOR LIFE

BADDECK, C. B., Dec. 13.—J. D.
McCurdy, of the Canadian Aerodrome,
made a remarkable flight at daybreak
this morning at the Bentinck farm.
The machine took the air easily after
travelling about one hundred yards on
the frozen ground. McCurdy gradually ascended until he was about two
hundred and fifty feet in the air. He
circled the meadow four times at this
elevation, covering eight miles in all.
While the party were at Big Baddeck,
witnessing the flight, Mr. Baldwin's
cottage on Bein Breagh was completely demolished by fire. The fire
was caused from a blaze in the back
room from a radiator pipe. The house
was burned to the ground. Mr. and
Mrs. Baldwin lost all their wedding
presents, together with many valuable
scientific records.

Sir James maintains that the province
is quite within its rights in passing the
legislation in question. He points out
the case of the Cobait lake legislation
two years ago, as involving the same
point of constitutional lake
in this latter instance the federal govcrimment declined to disallow the act.
He further argues that the wisdom
or unwisdom of the legislation in question, is a matter for the people of On-

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A Mexican gunboat is en route to Corinto, according to an official despatch from Managua received by the State Department today. In the absence of test partment today. In the absence specific information on the subje-this fact seems to indicate that t

Covers Eight Miles at Height of About 250 Feet—Mr. Baldwin's-Loss
BADDECK, C. B., Danger

BELLEVILLE. Ont., Dec. 13.—William Dean, a young farmer of Faraday township, was shot through the head by Elijah Donnelly, of Rose Island, yesterday, in mistake for a deer, causing instant death.

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New Chinese Minister.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Chan Yin Tang, successor to Wu Ting Fang as minister from China to the United States, accompanied by his family and a party of forty secretaries and Chinese students, has arrived here on the liner Mongolia. He declined to discuss international policies.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A lengthy despatch from General Estrada, leader of the —revolutionary forces in Ni-Mackenzie King was today appointed chairman of the committee on proportional confirmed.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 13.—The list of dead in the tong war between the Yees and the On Yicks was increased on Saturday, making the total eight. The body of Yee On, a member of the benefit to spent some hours here today on his way to Newfoundland from the Yee family, was found in the hallway of a house in the heart of Chinatown, with four bullet wounds in his head. Several strange Chinese, believed to be imported gun fighters.

When a fellow feels like throwing himself down and worshipping a girl, he should wait. She will probably throw him down herself.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—Premier Whitney

ernment declined to disallow the act.

He further argues that the wisdom or unwisdom of the legislation in question is a matter for the people of Ontario themselves to decide, and that the federal government has no right to interfere in a question of provincial polities.

The Dominion authorities have until next April to disallow the act if they

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rails and brigges, and all outsides and works of the said Company as hereinbefore set out; the erection of poles for the transmission of power, as also telephone pole lines and telephones when and where deemed necessary, including the right to erect such poles along the sides of public highways, and to cross and re-cross said public highways and bridges, and the stringing of wires along the said poles not less than twenatify feet from the ground; and, generally, the construction of such further and other works as may be necessary for the complete carrying on of the aforesaid undertakings.

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2. Provided, however that the Company shall not proceed to construct the dams and reservoirs for the retention of water until the plans and specifications for the said works shall have been first filed in the office of the Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department, and the said plans and specifications have received the approval of the said Chief Engineer.

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# Sixty Years of Pioneer

However attached the pioneer may become to this western land, he always enjoys a visit east. There is nothing remarkable about a trip to the east, though the impressions it makes upon the average man are vivid enough. There is nothing of any particular news value in rehearsing these impressions.

But the following article is of interest in that it records the trip paid by one of the oldest pioneers in British Columbia to the east, the one trip he has made away from this Pacific slope in nearly sixty years. It records the impressions of a man who has had more to do with Nature than with the works of man, and for that very reason the latter impress him with a vividness which to the more jaded senses of the city worn is lacking.

James Moore enjoys the distinction of being the oldest prospector in British Columbia. Though nearly eighty, just a few months ago Mr. Moore heeded the call of the wild, and once more hit the trail in search of mineral. The article which follows is told in Mr. Moore's own language, without addition, with-

out subtraction.

In prefacing this article, I may mention in 1851 I first arrived on the Pacific Coast by water via Cape Horn, my native home being old Ireland. Since then I remained constantly west of the Rockies until the 23rd September, 1909, the present year, when I decided to cross the continent of America for the first time. I will now try and give you a resume of my trip to that beautiful city of Washington, capital of the United States of America.

The train left Seattle 3:30 p.m., September 23, Spokane, Wash., 24th, Livingston, Mont., 25th, Lincoln, Neb. (the home of that great statesman, Wm. J. Bryan), 26th, St. Louis, Mo., 27th, Cincinnati, O., 28th, arriving at Washington 2:30 a.m., 20th. The morning I arrived in Washington I met a friend, the gentleman I went to see, Mr. T. L. Eggleston, who did everything possible to make my stay in the city as pleasant as possible. I am also indebted to Miss Eggleston and her little friend Viola, who were kind enough to take me to all the principal government buildings in Washington. Mr. Joel Eggleston paid me a kindness in taking me to Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington. I must not forget the kindness of U. S. Senator T. L. Owen, of Oklahoma, whom I first met in the Senate Annex building in his office. He was greatly interested in the history of British Columbia, particularly in our mining industry and mining laws, which he took a great interest in. After this he honored me by driving me in his car around the city and along that lovely speed-way down the Potomac. I now take this opportunity of thanking him for his many kindnesses to me. I am also indebted to several others for their attention to me while with

I will now try to describe the city of Washington and its many beautiful buildings. I will first mention the Library of Congress. This building was finished in 1897 at a cost of \$6,347,000; the site on which the building is located cost \$585,000. Of the ten acres of ground in the plot, the floor space of the building amounts to eight acres. Built in the style of the Italian Renaissance, its walls of New Hampshire granite and elaborately carved, a dome surmounting it covered leaf glistening far through the distance, the approach from the west marked by expansively terraced steps of masonry, in front of which a bronze fountain representing the Court of Neptune gives action to the setting. The ex-terior appearance is one of great beauty and commands exceptional attention among the array of beautiful public buildings. The interior presents a sight almost bewildering in its splendor. Polished and exquisitely carried marble columns and panels in many i sculptured and bronze figures, beautiful

tures in mosaics, and a wealth of decora ite and allegorical paintings, all by the greatest American artists, combine in their treatment to make the Library of Congress one of the most beautiful buildings in the world. The ground floor has a public corridor completely surrounding the inner courts, which is walled with blue, red and white, black and white and cholocate colored marble. The library floor is entered through bronze doors, and the entrance hall is of polished Italian marble. Double stairways of marble lead to the upper floor and the architectural arrangement is such as to make the design of greatest magnificence. A great reading-room, open to the publie, offers facilities unparalleled elsewhere. Congress has an immense law library of over 100,000 volumns, and all copyrighted books, pamphlets, maps, charts, music and pictures of whatever nature, as well a newspapers, magazines and periodicals, to the number of about 2,000,000 pieces, are catalogued, and mostly accessible to the public; making of it the largest library in America and third largest in the world. The copyright office, a readingroom for the blind, a music-room, a printing and binding establishment, a newspaper and periodical reading-room, large galleries showing special exhibits and a sumptuouslyequipped general reading-room and the dazzling entrance hall are the principal features

The District of Columbia, the territory in which the city of Washington is situated, embracing nearly seventy square miles and containing a population of 340,000, of which 98,-000 are colored, is under the close supervision of Congress; the district has no elective franchise, not even a representative in Congress. A board of commissioners, composed of two appointed by the President, and an army engineer officer detailed by the President from the War Department, are the immediate supervisors of the district, each receiving \$5,000

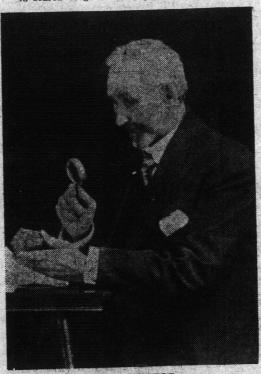
per annum. Washington is a remarkable city. The capital city of the United States would be a remarkable city wherever it might be located, for the great legislative and executive forces necessary to guide and rule the nation that are concentrated at the seat of government form

in themselves a study most interesting. Grouped with those exhibits are the many and varied seats of research which naturally develop in proximity to the national capital. Science, art, history, religion and sociological conditions are deeply studied by societies and individuals of prominence, combined with the great governmental investigations for the material and physical welfare of the country, serve to place Washington/high among the cities of the world in its achievements in these

The parking system within the city and district is very extensive. The Mall is the largest within the city, extending for seventeen blocks through the heart of the city, with a width of four blocks the greater distance; it lays due west from the capitol and forms a dividing line between the northwestern and southwestern parts of the city. The Botanical Gardens, Fisheries Building, Medical Museum, National Museum, Smithsonian Institute, Agricultural Department and greenhouses and museum, and the Washington monument all lie within this area. Proceeding westward from the Capitol in the order named, the National Zoological Park and Rock Creek Park, each of several hundred acres extent, lie towards the northwestern border of the city. The former contains an immense zoo, filled with rare birds, beasts, reptiles, fish and fowl, and displayed under conditions as free from restraint as possible. Of smaller city parks there are scores, Lafayette, Garfield, Lincoln, Stanton and Judiciary Parks and Farragut Square being the most prominent. The Capitol faces east and the approach from that side is impressive. Expansive steps of marble lead up in three great flights to the porticos of the main building and the Senate and House extensions; the main portico is graced with twenty-four mammoth monoliths of Virginia sandstone. Two colossal groups in marble on the portico are Columbus and an Indian girl and settlement of America. At the entrance to the rotunda is the Rogers bronze door, a very noted specimen of art in bronze. The porticos of the extensions are supported by 100 monoliths of Maryland marble. The group in the tympanum of the Senate portico represents American Development and the Decadence of the Indian Race. The rotunda or central portion of the building supports the immense dome, the crowning feature, which rises from a peristyle of fluted Corinthian columns, and is surmounted by a lantern upon which is posed the bronze statue of freedom by Crawford, The entrance to the Capitol from the west is noted for its beauty being approached through broad expanses of lawn set out with great trees and flowering shrubs the Capitol coming down to meet it in sweeping terraces and stairways of masonry. The interior of the Capitol consists pricipally of the rotunda, statuary hall, the Supreme Court chamber and the chambers occupied by the Senate and House of Representatives, all connected by a longitudinal corridor. The dome is built of iron weighing 4,400 tons. The cost of the building \$14,000,-

FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

By C. L. Armstrong. te—James Moore, the oldest miner in British Co-lumbia, at the age of 77, will hit the trail again in search of gold.—Daily paper.



JAMES MOORE

Youngster my hair has long been grey, Youngster, my sight is dim, My hand is gnarled with the grip of time, But I seek the rainbow's rim. I've heard the call of the open trail, Soft and far, but clear-And, tomorrow I go, as I have to go, To serve for another year.

Youngster, the longing never dies, Youngster, the heart lives on, E'en when the step is weak and slow And the bloom of youth is gone. My cheek is pale, my step is slow, But the long low call I hear, And tomorrow I go, as I have to go, To serve for another year.

Youngster, the smell of the pine is good, The wild hill torrent's roar Is the sweetest sound a man can hear Who has heard it oft before. I've lingered long in the city's din But the call has reached my ear, And today I go, as I have to go, To serve for another year.

raised by popular subscription and the cornerstone laid in 1848, but in 1855 construction had used up the funds on hand and not until 1878 was work resumed, Congress having voted money for the completion. This shaft rises to a height of 555 feet 51/8 inches, depth of foundation 38 feet, wall thickness at base 15 feet, at top 18 inches, weight of whole of white marble in memory of George Wash- \$1,300,000. It stands today the loftiest memo- in turn divided into districts, each presided ington, was dedicated in 1885, a fund was rial elevation in the world and is the most over by district judges. The judges hold office

Corcoran Gallery of Art

To all lovers, as well as the general public, this celebrated gallery will appeal most strongly. The gallery was founded and endowed by the late William W. Corcoran. The building is of white marble. Casts of ancient sculptures including those of the Venus de Milo, Venus de Medici, Apollo, Dying Gladiator, Minerva and many others, original marbles including Velas' Last Days of Napoleon and Powers' Greek Slave; a magnificent collection of Barye bronzes, beautiful specimens of art in porcelain and glass, rare cloisonni and antiques and a very select and valuable collection of paintings by old and modern masters, including portraits of presidents, constitute an exhibit of great worth. An art school is attached to the gallery and students are offered exceptional facilities in their work. The United States government consists of three branches: the legislative, the executive and the judicial. The legislative branch consists of two bodies, the House of Representatives and the Senate. Members of the House represent congressional districts in the various states and are elected by the people for a term of two years. A candidate for election must be at least 25 years old/and must have been a citizen of the United States seven years and be an inhabitant of the state in which he is chosen. The present house consists of 391 members. A presiding officer, termed the speaker, is chosen from among the number to serve through the term popularly known as the Congress, or the two years for which elected. The Senate, or upper house, is made up of two representatives from each state chosen by their respective legislatures and elected for a term of six years. The terms of one-third of the membership expires every two years thus making the body a continuous one. The Vice-President of the United States is the presiding officer of the Senate. This is said to be the most deliberate legislative body in the world, its rules for debate being such as to allow of the widest latitude in covering the subject under discussion. It has power to borrow money, to coin it and to punish counterfeiters. The executive power is vested in the President of the United States. That official is elected every four years. To be eligible he must be at least 35 years old and must have been a United States citizen for fourteen years. His duties are to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States," make treaties with foreign nations, appoint representatives to foreign countries, commission federal officers, select the heads of the various executive departments and appoint judges of the Supreme Court. He is the commander-in-chief of the military and naval

The judiciary forms the third branch of the United States government. It consists of three grades of courts: the Supreme Court, Circuit Courts and District Courts. The Supreme Court consists of a chief justice and eight associate justices. The sessions of this court are held in Washington and its cases are mostly of an appellate nature, coming from the lower courts. There are nine circuit courts oreme Court justice. These circuits are

imposing and costly monument ever erected to during good behavior. By act of Congress in 1855 a court of claims was established which provides means for persons bringing suit against the government for claims arising through causes.

The principal public buildings are: Treasury, Fifteenth street and Pennsylvania avebuilt of granite, Ionic design, 486 feet long, 264 feet wide, 3 stories, 600 rooms, cost \$6,000,000; State, War and Navy, Pennsylvania avenue and Seventeenth street, built granite, Roman-Dorice design, 471 feet long 253 feet wide, 4 stories, 500 rooms, 2 miles of marble hall, cost \$10,000,000; United States Patent Office and Department of the Interior F and G streets Seventh and Ninth streets, built of granite and marble, Doric design, 453 feet long, 331 feet wide, 2 stories, cost \$2,700. 000; Pension Bureau, G street between Fourt and Sixth streets, built of brick, 400 feet lon 200 feet wide, 2,000 clerks, inaugural ball he here; United States Postoffice, Pennsylvania avenue between Tenth and Eleventh streets built of granite, dead letter exhibit; Indian Office and Land Office Department of the Interior, Seventh between E and F streets, built of marble, Corinthian design, 300 feet long, 204 feet wide, cost \$1,700,000; Bureau of Engraving and Printing, B and Fourteenth street S. W., paper currency and stamps printed here; Corcoran Art Gallery, New ayenue and Seventeenth street, built of marble; Government Printing Office, North Capitol and G streets, 7 floors and basement, 408 feet long, 175 feet wide, 8 acres of floor space, 4,000 employes, largest in the world; Library of Congress, East Capitol street and B, between First and Second Public Library, New York avenue and Massachusetts avenue, built of marble; Executive Mansion (White House), Pennsylvania avenue, Sixteenth street; Fish Commission Museum, Mall, near Seventh street; Army Medical Museum, Mall, near Sixth street; National Museum, Mall and Ninth street; Smithsonian Museum, Mall, near Twelfth street.

A statement of the sums appropriated last year to carry on the work of these various branches of the government is appended:-Legislative \$14,124,585; Executive \$440,510; State Department \$4,413,469; Treasury Department \$235,000,675; War Department \$193,328,115; Navy Department \$133,160,401; Interior Department \$212,390,745; Postoffice Department \$1,737,449; Agricultural Department \$15,786,248; Commerce and Labor Department \$11,344,105; Department of Justice \$10,903,086; Total \$832,629,393. At the close of business, December 31, 1908, the cash in the United States treasury was as follows:-Gold reserve \$150,000,000; trust funds \$1,354,-084,869; general fund \$163,175,726; in nation al bank depositories \$123,928,435; in treasury in Philippine Islands \$5,009,728; total \$1,796, 198,759. Outstanding liabilities amount to \$1,476,697,342, leaving a cash balance of \$319,-501,417.

In closing this statement I must mention e Union Station, Washington, was built by the United States government, the Pennsylvania railroad and the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. The cost of the land, building and terminal improvement was \$18,000,000. throughout the country, each presided over by structure is the finest railway station in the world. The building, of white granite, is 760 JAMES MOORE.

## THE BISHOP STAYED

The bishop of a Southern diocese was once making a missionary journey through Arkan-sas and the Indian territory, and on his arrival at Natchez he said to the landlord of a hotel, have been traveling for a week, day and night, in a mail wagon, and I want a comfortable room."

"Sorry," said the landlord, "but I don't believe there's a vacant room in Natchez; there's a horse-race, a Methodist conference, and a political convention in the city, and every house is full up. The only thing I can give you is a shake-down." Then, observing the bishop's tired face, he added-"The best room in my house is rented to a noted gambler, who usually remains out all night and seldom gets in before breakfast. If you will take the risk, you shall have his room; but if he should come there'll be a row, I'll promise you that."

The bishop decided to take the risk. About four o'clock in the morning the gambler re-turned, and promptly shook the bishop by the

"Get out of here, or I'll put you out!" he The bishop, the gentlest of men, raised him-

self on one elbow, so that it brought the muscles of his arm into full relief.

"My friend," he began quietly, "before you put me out, will you have the kindness to feel The gambler put his hand on the bishop's

"Stranger," he then said respectfully, "you

Kind old gentleman-"What are you crying for, little boy?" The little boy-"Oh, my! The parrot got out of the cage, and-and I'll catch it when -I -I get -h-h-home. Boo-hoohoo!" Kind old gentleman (in disgust)-'Catch it when you get home! Well, why don't you go home and catch it? What are you standing bellowing here for?"

He—"Have you any reason for doubting what I say?" She—"Yes, I have." He—"What is it?" She—"I don't believe you."

# Truth Versus Fiction in History

so well known as to have become a byword, in some cases almost a reproach. Those inadded so much to our sum of accurate knowledge that our point of view of whole periods has had often and necessarily to be changed. The services thus rendered are indisputable, and we are certainly under many obligations for the saner and more correct opinions, which as a result of such labors we have been enabled to form. But there are some picturesque episodes and sayings, some delightful legends, which have been discovered to be apocryphal and must therefore, be abandoned, although generation after generation has cherished them precious heirlooms of the storied past.

For taking away from us such charming beliefs we shall not readily forgive the modern nistorical school. We like to imagine Sir Philip Sidney, wounded unto death outside Zutphen, ordering the cup of cold water, which had been brought to slake his burning thirst, to be handed to the common soldier, who, as he was being borne past, looked on the goblet and its contents with eyes that, although glazing in the last agony, expressed unutter-able longing. We prefer to think that the preux chevalier of Elizabeth's day did really utter those self-sacrificing words that have rung adown the ages, "Take it thou, friend;

they need is still greater than mine." How many English schoolboys have thrilled as in fancy they heard Wellington give the short, sharp command at Waterloo, 'Up, guards, and at them!" On the other hand, what a glow of patriotism has been inspired in young French hearts by the oftquoted saying of the officer of Napoleon's old guard on the same decisive field, "La garde

meurt; la garde ne se rend pas." Who does not wish that he could go on

The iconoclastic tendencies of modern believing the numerous graceful or heroic other description of him as a volcan sous la searchers into the records of former times are of Savoy? One of those concerning Eugene is that contrary to express orders from the Court of Vienna, he engaged the Turks at dustrious delvers in the historical field have Zenta, gaining one of the most complete and unearthed so many new facts and thereby, important victories ever won by the Austrian arms, and that after the battle he narrowly escaped being courtmartialed for his temerity. Another is that fighting at Malplaquet-in the front, as was his wont-he received a serious wound and was urged to retire in order to have it dressed, whereupon he replied, "It will time enough tonight-if I am still alive.

These and countless other articles of our earlier faith we are told we must let go as being mere myths and not belonging to serious

But sometimes the boot is on the other foot; sometimes we have to revise an ungracious or hostile sentiment. For example, posterity has formed but a poor opinion of the personal character and temperament of William of Orange. Cold, calculating, forbidding—that is the general summary made of him. Yet more recent revelations show quite another side to the picture. Even some of his contemporaries have been fairer to him than those who came after. The spectacle of the hero of the Boyne and Namur pulling a toy coach for an hour up and down the long gallery at old Kensington Palace to amuse the four-year-old Lord Buckhurst, son of the Lord High Chamberlain, the Earl of Dorset, exhibits him in an engaging light. This supposedly unemotional sovereign was carried out in an insensible condition from the deathbed of his wife, Queen Mary; and when, seven years later, he followed her into the great beyond, those who laid out his corpse found around his neck and next to his skin a small piece of black silk ribbon containing a gold ring and a look of Mary's hair. Not bad that for him whom even some of his friends reputed to be "the most cold-blooded of mankind." The

Thus what the spirit of research takes away with one hand she gives in bounteous measure with the other. The law of compensation is vindicated.—Washington Post.

### HIS LOST CHANCE

The father of the late Benoit Constant Coquelin, the great French actor, was a baker, and the young Coquelin was brought up to the trade. At thirteen, a writer in Le Figaro says, he manifested an irresistible inclination toward the stage, an inclination which his father steadfastly strove to repress.

"Don't devote so much time to those dramas," his father used to say. "You have learned a good trade, the business is running well, and you shall be my successor."

A number of years after Constant had made his way into general favor, his father, who took pride in his boy's success, but could never quite get over the feeling that Constant should have been a baker, was congratulated upon his son's

"I remember," said the old man, "that Constant was a good baker. He would have gone far in the trade."

### REVISED UPWARD

One evening at family prayers' the head of the house read that chapter which concludes with, "And the wife see that she reverence her husband." After the exercises had closed and the children had gone to bed, he quoted it, looking meaningly at his wife.

"Let us see what the Revised Version says on that subject," said she. "I will follow the new teaching, if you please.

The Revised Version was produced, and her chagrin may be imagined as the head impressively read, "And let the wife see that she fear her husband."

ABOUT INDOOR Wilhelm Miller, in The English people se hundred times as much houses as we do, and

WHAT ENGLAND

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tatement of the sums appropriated last carry on the work of these various es of the government is appended:tive \$14,124,585; Executive \$440,510; Department \$4,413,469; Treasury De-\$235,000,675; War Department 8,115; Navy Department \$133,160,401; Department \$212,390,745; Postoffice ment \$1,737,449; Agricultural Depart-15,786,248; Commerce and Labor Dent \$11,344,105; Department of Justice ,086; Total \$832,629,393. At the close ness, December 31, 1908, the cash in nited States treasury was as follows:eserve \$150,000,000; trust funds \$1,354,general fund \$163,175,726; in nationdepositories \$123,928,435; in treasury ippine Islands \$5,009,728; total \$1,796,-Outstanding liabilities amount to 697,342, leaving a cash balance of \$319,-

closing this statement I must mention nion Station, Washington, was built by Inited States government, the Pennsylrailroad and the Baltimore and Ohio ad. The cost of the land, building and improvement was \$18,000,000. The ure is the finest railway station in the The building, of white granite, is 760 n length and 343 feet in width.

JAMES MOORE.

### THE BISHOP STAYED

he bishop of a Southern diocese was once ng a missionary journey through Arkan-nd the Indian territory, and on his arrival atchez he said to the landlord of a hotel, we been traveling for a week, day and in a mail wagon, and I want a comfort-

Sorry," said the landlord, "but I don't bethere's a vacant room in Natchez; there's rse-race, a Methodist conference, and a ical convention in the city, and every e is full up. The only thing I can give is a shake-down." Then, observing the op's tired face, he added—"The best room house is rented to a noted gambler, who lly remains out all night and seldom gets ore breakfast. If you will take the risk, shall have his room; but if he should come ere'll be a row, I'll promise you that."

he bishop decided to take the risk. About o'clock in the morning the gambler re-ed, and promptly shook the bishop by the

Get out of here, or I'll put you out!" he

The bishop, the gentlest of men, raised him-on one elbow, so that it brought the mus-

of his arm into full relief. My friend," he began quietly, "before you me out, will you have the kindness to feel

The gambler put his hand on the bishop's Stranger," he then said respectfully, "you

stay

Kind old gentleman-"What are you cry-

for, little boy?" The little boy-"Oh, my! parrot got out of the cage, and-and I'll it when I get h-h-home. Boo-hoo-Kind old gentleman (in disgust)-Well, why tch it when you get home! you go home and catch it? What are standing bellowing here for?"

He—"Have you any reason for doubting it I say?" She—"Yes, I have." He—"What She-"I don't believe you."

## SUBURBAN~ RURAL

WHAT ENGLAND CAN TEACH US ABOUT INDOOR GARDENS.

By Wilhelm Miller, in Country Life in America.

The English people seem to get about one undred times as much pleasure out of greenhouses as we do, and it is possible that they always will. For they have a greater climatic advantage over the people of the northern United States in the mildness of their winter, which has a delightful effect upon one's coal bill. If you add to this that labor is cheaper there than here, and that everyone is interested in gardening, there can be little wonder that everybody seems to have a greenhouse. The mere fact that a greenhouse enables a family to enjoy gardening the year round-and especially during the five months when trees are would account for much.

But the English have one powerful incentive to greenhouse building that we do not have. They cannot ripen peaches or melons in the open air, and even grapes and plums have to be grown against walls or under glass in order to get enough sunshine to ripen them. The appeal to the stomach is deeper seated than the aesthetic sense and the English are blessed with a sturdy interest in the simple joys of eating. The first step they took to get fruit was to build high walls to keep out thieves. Then they found that better fruit could be grown against these walls than in the open. And, when some genius discovered that the finest fruit of all could be grown under glass, there were thousands of miles of brick walls all ready to be turned into greenhouses, simply by adding glass to one side. Consequently there are hundreds of miles of lean-to greenhouses in England which are devoted to raising fruit. In many of these no heat is needed until March, and then only enough to keep out frost-say a temperature of 40 degrees. Truly, the English are in luck.

The most wonderful thing, however, about greenhouses in England is the great number of small ones you see everywhere and the obvious comfort and pleasure they give. There are no accurate ways of measuring such things, but it is certain that the greenhouse is not considered a "rich man's game," as it is here. It is almost a moral certainty that every Englishman who can afford a greenhouse is bound to have one. And I judge that every Englishman who can afford a piano can also afford a green-

We shall come to this, too, for I am happy to say that the era of cheap greenhouses has really begun. You can now buy a greenhouse for \$250, the price of a fair piano. You could have a good deal of pleasure with it at a cost of \$50 a year. The average family will spend a great deal more than that on piano lessons and music. The \$250 greenhouse I have in mind is about seven by nine feet and includes not only the foundation but the heating plant. It is portable and can be taken away by a tenant. It is of the very best construction, attractive inside and out, and without a particle of foolish ornamentation.

What can you do with a greenhouse? You can force fruit or vegetables to maturity out of season. You can gain a month or more on the outdoor season by starting vegetables indoors. You can produce flowers for cutting. You can grow plants for decorating the house. You can grow flowers for exhibition and competi-You can use your greenhouse as a nos pital for house plants that are out of order. You can winter tender plants, such as geraniums, and all bedding material. You can make your garden bloom a month earlier by starting flower seeds indoors. You can make a collection of your favorite flowers and go in for plant breeding. You can make the green-house a reminder of the tropics, or at least a bright and pretty picture. And, finally, you can make the greenhouse, to some extent, a living room.

Not all of these things, however, are possible in any one house. The first nine purposes are practical, the last two are artistic, and the two groups conflict. If you want your greenhouse to be a factory it cannot be beautiful all the time. If you wish your greenhouse to be a living room, or a picture of the tropics, you must not growd it with plants. Indeed, overcrowding is the worst feature of American greenhouses. They are rich in species, but poor in pictures. The specimens do not have room enough to develop and plants demanding radically different temperatures and treatment are put into the same house. You cannot grow roses and carnations together; they must have separate houses, or separate compartments. Our besetting sin is attempting too much. We

do not give the gardener a fair chance. I am sure that greenhouse owners do not realize how many different purposes are covered by the same roof and how much these different aims conflict. Do you own a range of greenhouses? If so, may I make a suggestion? Take the list of eleven purposes mentioned in a preceding paragraph and go over it with your gardener. Assign roughly the per cent of space you are willing to give to each purpose. Then go into your greenhouses and you will see them from a new point of view. Ask your gardener where the shoe pinches. This scheme will help you decide what to throw out and how to get more pleasure from what you have. You cannot enjoy pictorial effects without purging your greenhouse. And you must decide for yourself whether you want a plant factory, a picture of the tropics, or a living

Perhaps my reader does not know these three types of greenhouse, and perhaps, therefore, he may not understand why they clash. Well, then, any florist's rose or carnation house is a plant factory. There is not a particle of romance in it. Every line of it means business. It exists solely for cut flowers. In this type of work America beats England, but

it is no great credit to us. A few years ago the ble they stand out with almost funereal black-American people spent more money on cut ness. flowers than on plants. The English love to live with plants the year round, and so shall we when we learn better. Meanwhile, the first thing an American usually thinks of when he plants a range of private greenhouses is roses and carnations—the very things in which he cannot expect to compete with professionals who grow them by the hundred thousand. It is all well enough to grow a few roses and carnations, but to have no other idea of using greenhouses shows a deplorable lack of im-

Now a picture of the tropics is a very different thing. To step into the largest house at Kew is to enter a new wonder world. For there you will see all those great features of the tropics that have for centuries amazed the minds or stirred the hearts of mankind. You will see great palms and monkey puzzles tow-

How much cheerier and inspiring is Mrs. Stewart's indoor garden at Glen Ridge, N.J.! Fancy a room about fifteen feet square, with real grass for a floor, and a border of earth out of which grow bulbs, shrubs and even young magnolia trees as naturally as out-ofdoors. There is no hot, steaming atmosphere and there are no artificial benches or narrow concrete walks. You may walk on the lawn as freely as outdoors or sit in a chair upon the grass and listen to the birds singing overhead, hile you look out through the glass sides of the living room upon a world of snow! No wonder this is the most popular living room in the house! And to think that all this can be had for only \$1,000 or \$1,500!

"Very fine," you may say, "but what has England to do with all this?" 'Nothing at all," is my cheerful reply. Eng-

Just the thing for a beginner with a \$250 greenhouse—a collection of amaryllis. The flowers are five or six inches across, in many colors, and can be had practically every month in the year

anas bearing their fruit in huge bunches, the traveler's joy, with its hidden cups of water, pitcher plants with insects drowned in their alluring cups, orchids that feed only upon the air, the bird of paradise plant with its undreamt of color scheme, the marvelous Madagascar lace leaf and such deathless forms of beauty as the papyrus plant, the sacred lotus rising above the water, gorgeous blue water lilies like those that floated upon the Nile and the orange tree producing simultaneously its fragrant bloom and richly colored fruit. A greenhouse of this kind is mysterious, enchanting, full of moods. Of course the illusion is not complete, but nevertheless it is the "real thing" because it pre-sents the spirit of the tropics in forms that powerfully stimulate the imagination.

How different from all this is-the conventional hothouse in America. the plants I mentioned but the spirit is gone. Everything of natural grandeur or world-old charm is crowded by a host of modern interlopers which make no appeal to the mindonly to the lust for show. I refer to gaudy foliage plants like crotons, dracaenas, and variegated kinds of pandanus—the veriest weeds of the tropics. There is an endless feast of of the tropics. color, form and texture in ferns alone without going outside of nature's leaf color-green. Palms, too, would be a delight if we ever gave them room enough to show their simple majesty. But everywhere the unconscious aim is to fill a greenhouse with the showiest plants that have the longest season of showiness.

There is nothing wrong in foliage plants as such. The aspidistra, the sanseviera, the cyanophyllum, the marantas, and many of the anthuriums have something besides mere brilliancy of attire; they have some native refinement, dignity, charm, or personality. The only wrong thing is to make foliage plants the dominant feature of a greenhouse—to substitute dress for soul. If you are tired with the day's work, it will rest you to wander silently among the gigantic shapes of the tropics. But there is no spell of enchantment in a house dominated by rex begonias, for they smack of the milliner's window at its worst. There is no "universal element" in cheap variegated plants like Vinca majoh, wandering jew, acalyphas, coleus, abutilons and what an Englishman would describe as "all that sort of rot." They do not feed the soul.

The soul, however, cannot be soaring all the time, and for practical, everyday purposes the living-room type of greenhouse may be the best. The oldest way of satisfying craving to live amid flowers in the winter is to have a conservatory, i.e., a living room to which plants in their perfect state are brought from a greenhouse where they have been raised and whence they return after their beauty is past. But a conservatory usually lacks the sincerity and charm of a place in which every stage of a plant's life is spent. And I can think of nothing duller than the respectable conservatories that one sees in America's greatest cities. There is one in New York which a friend of mine calls "the morgue." It has cold marble walls, and contains not a solitary flower-only the regular florist's "truck," viz., rubber plants, Boston ferns and the commonest palms, These are estimable plants in their way, but they are done to death and against walls of white mar- enjoy a swim before breakfast, not only in

ering up to a height of fifty feet or more, bau-anas bearing their fruit in huge bunches, the sons to teach us about greenhouses. If so, I missed them all. In financers and customs and all the externals of life the two countries are steadily growing further apart. In every department of gardening England's message to us is: "Do not copy the beauties of other countries; study your own needs and adapt your own materials to those needs."

England's greenhouse problems were three: to raise the best fruit, to harmonize the greenhouse with existing architecture, and to perfect the small, cheap greenhouse so that everybody could have one. Those problems she has solved.

Our great job, it seems to me, is to derelop the idea of livability in greenhouses. The American people are "long" on ingenuity and 'short" on repose. We work harder and longer than Europeans and, therefore, we need something in addition to active sports.

complete privacy, but amid a scene of beauty. The third great American idea was contributed by the late Samuel'P. Parsons in a book called "About Gardens." It is to cover all the roofs in a great city with gardens of glass. These, he thinks, would furnish ideal playgrounds for children in the winter. Such greenhouses need not be an added care to the family, for the florists would supply caretakers. In the summer, when the house is shut up, the plants could be sent to the florists. If the paterfamilias has to pass a night at home he could open the ventilators and sleep in the greenhouse. Mr. E. H. Harriman had on the roof of his New York house an outdoor sleeping room which was a sort of greenhouse. The fourth idea we are bound to develop is to build a house around a garden and cover the garden with glass. The Spaniards have perfected the patio garden. It remains for us to adapt it to a country that has zero weather in winter.

I could give other examples of originality in greenhouse construction, e. g., Mrs. Thompson's aviary which has a tree in it, but unique things, and things that are only for specialists, are not helpful, as a rule. The important thing is that which suits thousands or even millions of people. Originality in England has often exercised itself in making grot toes in greenhouses, with all sorts of colored lights and surprises. There is nothing in that line of effort worth while. The one problem, in which American originality could do its best, is the most democratic of all-the cheapening of the greenhouse so that everybody can have one. Already we have a portable greenhouse for \$250 which will not fall down when you breathe hard, or rot to pieces in ten years; and I hope for even better things.

Hitherto greenhouses have been such ugly things that owners of country places would not have them near the house. In England, greenhouses are made to harmonize with any style of architecture, but at great sacrifice of the sun's rays. The American houses, I believe, are the lightest on earth. A few years ago the panes were only eight inches wide; now they are twenty-four. That awkward elbow has been abolished and snow can no longer darken a house. Inside one of the new houses there is nothing to break the sweep of vision or shade the plants. We have evolved a type of greenhouse far brighter and cheerier than any I saw in England. Its expression of efficiency-a solid feeling of permanence, combined with a smiling and inviting exterior. The character of it is unmistakably American. It remains only to bring the workshop and vestibule into harmony with domestic architecture.

There is one English idea, however, that we can import bodily with profit, and that is the 'fun of collecting." The English are a nation of collectors and hobby riders, and I feel it in my bones that we shall become so. passion for completeness is in our blood. Orcharts are the great favorites with English collectors, but many people like to have a general collection. There is no accounting for taste. Some people run after pitcher plants, some want a hundred kinds of chrysanthemums and some yearn after every variety of begonia. The greenhouse enables everyone who has the collecting spirit to become a world-authority, or at least a local oracle on his specialty. And the crowning joy of the collector is the production of new and improved varieties. No matter how hardy a plant you may work with you will want a greenhouse to propagate

Such a tree is of the strongesto possible frame. It will carry its proper load of fruit without propping. There is no fear of it being split down to the ground, and ruined by an overweight of fruit, or by wet snow, or any other cause. The greatest damage, that will be likely to happen to it, will be the breaking of a bough, an injury which can easily be repaired, and the loss replaced within a short time. If any main branch is overladen and breaks off, the injury to the trunk will be comparatively slight, there will be no splitting. Always fresh shoots can be grown from the centre to replace broken branches. After all, the main stem is the tree, keep that intact, and the tree is still there from which to grow

any branches that are required. To illustrate the advantages of this form it is only necessary to think of another form which is common, that is, the tree, where the centre has been cut out and never replaced, where the branches all spring from about the same point as the fingers grow from the palm of the hand. Such a tree, when the day of trial comes, either from an overload of fruit, or from a fall of wet snow, and, sometimes, by reason of its own weight, will get tired and down, splitting right to the ground, so that there is nothing left from which a new tree can be grown.

Snaping a tree is not the whole art of pruning. By shaping a tree is meant that treatment of a tree in its earlier years which definitely determines its general form. A tree may be well shaped in this sense, yet at the time woefully in need of cutting and clearing out, but this latter branch of the pruner's art will not be dealt with in this paper. The object of this paper then is to outline a method, and to state a few short rules, which if followed, will ensure every tree growing up in a correct form. The rules are three in number, viz.: 1. Keep the leader, 2, have but one leader, and 3, make the leader lead. The explanation of these, and the method of carrying them out in practice, is as follows:

The tree is planted as a yearling, whip and cut back to about three feet, or a little less, from the ground, with the object of forcing buds into decided growth, so that there may be something to work on the next spring. The irst real step towards shaping the tree is taken the spring after planting, preferably when the buds are just beginning to show green. It will be found then, if the tree has established itself, that some of the buds near the top, very generally three, have made a strong upstanding growth, coming out from the stem at a very acute angle, lower down, more shoots will have grown from the stem at a greater angle than the leaders, and usually have not made such a strong growth. It is from these latter that the first tier of branches may be chosen.

Of the one, two or three strong upright shoots near the top, select the best and most upright as the leader, and sacrifice the remainder. If they are retained with the idea that they will become satisfactory side branches, amenable to discipline, it will be found to be a mistake. They will not do so, but will for years be a source of bother, competing continually with the leader for supre-Cut them out, leaving but the one

From the other shoots, lower down, select, if possible, three side branches. These must be evenly distributed around the tree in a horizontal direction. In a perpendicular rection they must be well separated. The angle they make with the trunk should be large, nearly a right angle. If there are not three shoots that satisfy these conditions, then leave only two, or one, that does-better one right than three wrongs-plenty more shoots will grow during the current year to fill any vacancies.

Note-Certain varieties of trees, for instance, the Northern Spy, have shoots which almost invariably spring from the stem at an acute angle. In such cases it cannot be expected that shoots will be found to satisfy the third condition mentioned above. It is as well then to use a spreader to cause the shoot to grow in the desired direction.

Having selected the shoots which are to remain, and removed the others, cutting them off close up to the stem, it is necessary to cut them back. It will be observed that the buds on the upper end of a wood shoot are better developed than those near the base. The object in view is to give the leader the start, and to have it keep ahead of the rest, therefore, do not cut it back too much. Cut it amongst these buds towards the upper end, perhaps one-third of its length down from the tip.

Perhaps, amongst the side branches retained, one or two are weak, and one or two are strong-these latter nearly as strong as the leader. It is they which require to be watched, or they will start racing for the supremacy with the leader. Put them in their right place right away. Cut them back to within three buds or so of the stem. The buds here will be very much backward, and by the time they are forced into growth, the leader will have shoots several inches in length, and there is no fear that the side branches will catch up.

A decorative way of growing greenhouse climbers without shading too much the flowers beneath them. The effect could be made even more pictorial your precious seedlings. It is not impossible that the first red daffodil will open in a \$250

need to relax. There is no relaxation in the ordinary greenhouse. One merely wanders through it with a bunch of friends to see a lot of unrelated objects that are on exhibition. But Mrs. Stewart's living room is a place to loaf and invite the soul. This, then, seems to me the first great contribution toward an Am- FORMING AND PRUNING YOUNG erican style of greenhouse.

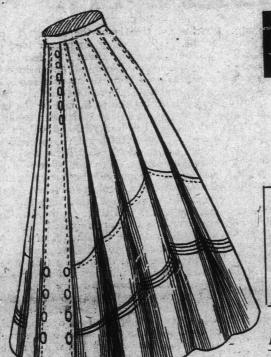
The second important adaptation of the green house to American life has been made by Mr. Warberg, of White Plains, who has combined the idea of a greenhouse and swimming pool. For Americans are certainly fond of bathing, and swimming pools for summer use are common among the rich. Why not, then, cover the pool with glass and use it the year round? And why not cover the walls of the greenhouse with beautiful tropical vines? Thus the different members of a family may

greenhouse and even a seven by nine structure s large enough for a reasonably complete collection of amaryllis.

APPLE TREES

The general characteristics of well-shaped apple trees are somewhat as follows, savs T. W. Stirling, Kelowna, B. C., in The Canadian Horticulturist. "The main branches spring from the trunk at a good broad angle. They do not spring opposite to each other, but are distributed up and down the trunk. They are evenly placed around the tree, and do not interfere with each other. There is a definite centre stem from which they spring, and which extends above the main side branches,"

Everyone who has been fortunate enough to witness the flowering of the yellowwood or virgilia (Cladastris tinctoria) is enthusiastic about the spectacle. This hardy tree attains a height of fifty feet and on rare occasions is covered with drooping panicles ten to twenty inches long. The flowers are over an inch long, shaped like those of a sweet pea, and are white and fragrant. Unfortunately this tree blooms only at long intervals and not freely as a rule. We would like to know whether there is any specimen in this country that has a record for regular and profuse blooming.



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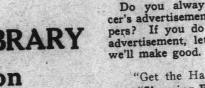
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A prelimirary report was it he examining committee at session of the consistory of versity today, and provoked mated discussion. It appears data so far submitted are sufficient to establish the claim. The result of today's sion was a request on the paraconsistory that the committee tinue its work. The Universe will leave to the investigati wittee proper the matter of public atternation of the Universe of public and the meantime incunced by officials of the Universe of the Univ His Other Reco

never received an invitation mit them from the Royal cal Society, the body whi probability, would assume the passing on them. Funds fredition to Greenland, she decided to make one, haven pledged by two frier Cook, who still believes in John B. Hammend has use of his yacht. John B. Hammend has use of his yacht.

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The Copenhagen newspathe present have been what to Dr. Cook, but it is become of the leading daily some of the leading daille will print articles throwin Cook's trustworthiness. point out that the Danist garded Cook in the light of hero, and think he is sti man. The slightest evider is not the case, the papers copress all Danes with gr oppress all Danes with gr Interest at Washi

WASHINGTON, Dec. interest was manifested by officials of the Nation cal Society in the prelir of the committee of the of the committee of the Copenhagen that it had i proof substantiating Dr. that he had reached the April 21, 1908. None, ho permit, himself to be quo fact, however, well know has been in the member society a large eiement skeptical of Dr. Cook's that for this reason Dr. not consent to have the upon his records. As so ficial announcement is n conclusion of the univer tee, the National Geograp will take prompt measure an end the world-wide ce to the finding of the north an end the world wide of to the finding of the nort manding from Dr. Coordinate of the control of the control of the control of the control of the pole.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 18 Robert E. Peary smiled when informed that a despatch had been reco