



### CANADA'S ENVOY IS ENTERTAINED

#### HON. R. LEMIEUX WAS GUEST OF TOKIO CITY

#### Japanese Government Arranging Details to Control Emigration to These Shores.

Tokio, Dec. 4.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Canadian Minister of Labor, was tendered a banquet last night by the municipality.

Among those present were: Sir Claude MacDonald, British ambassador; Viscount Hayashi, Japanese foreign minister; Baron Chinda and Messrs. Verret and Preston.

Mr. Shibusawa presided and toasted Mr. Lemieux, who responded, expressing firm belief that all differences on the immigration question would be amicably settled.

It was understood that Mr. Lemieux had been informed that the Japanese government would not consent to any modification or change in its treaty with Canada, or enter into any new agreement. It would, however, so control immigration that there would be no further cause for complaint.

The details of such control are now being arranged.

#### ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE.

#### C. P. R. Montreal Employee Found Dead With Revolver by His Side.

Montreal, Dec. 5.—A fatal accident occurred this afternoon in the Canadian Pacific Railway's general offices. Gladwyn C. Cobban, employed as a clerk in the treasurer's office, shortly before the closing time of the bank went specially to deposit a large sum, returning as usual to the office and removing his overcoat. He went down the corridor to the lavatory, on his way meeting several of his clerks with whom he chatted about the good time he expected to have at St. Andrew's ball this evening. There was no one in the lavatory when he entered.

A few minutes later the sound of a revolver shot was heard, and on the clerks entering the lavatory, the body of Cobban was found in a compartment with a bullet wound through his head. He died at 8 o'clock this evening in the hospital without recovering consciousness. A hurried examination of his cash showed it to be exactly as it should have been, and no reason whatever is known for suicide.

The theory is that he was examining the revolver, which he always carried when he went to the bank, and that it was accidentally discharged.

Cobban was very popular in social and sporting circles, and resided with his widowed mother, who is in good circumstances. The coroner will hold an inquest in the morning.

#### COTTON FRAUDS IN U. S.

#### Manchester Magnate Accuses America of Deliberately Falsifying Weight.

Manchester, Eng., Dec. 3.—At the annual meeting of the Manchester Cotton Association, held here to-day, Thomas Coates, chairman of the buying committee, caused a sensation. Mr. Coates was one of the delegates to the recent cotton congress at Atlanta, Georgia. He said that he had been impressed particularly with the United States by the barefaced and fraudulent manner in which sworn government cotton weighers in America actually put on five pounds per bale to every bale weighed. "This, however," Mr. Coates continued, "was not done in the case of cotton supplied to American spinners."

#### INHUMAN ACT.

Daysland, Alta., Dec. 2.—Chas. Sanderlin, a homesteader near here, has been committed for trial on a charge of attempted murder. He turned his wife out of doors very scantily clad and his brother then wrapped a fur coat about the woman and took her to his own shack. Sanderlin followed and fired several shots through the door of the shack.

The prisoner has been taken to Fort Saskatchewan to await trial.

#### PADDED PAY SHEETS.

Toronto, Dec. 4.—According to the evidence before Judge Winchester, who is investigating the administration of the city parks, the pay sheets of the civic employees at Riverside park have been padded.

#### FORD ACQUITTED ON BRIBERY CHARGE

#### Verdict in Third of San Francisco Graft Prosecutions Received With Applause.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 4.—Therry L. Ford, general counsel of the United Railways, was last night acquitted on the charge of having bribed former Supervisor Jennings Phillips to vote for the overhead trolley franchise.

This was Ford's second trial; in the first trial the jury disagreed. The Ford case was the third one in the series of graft prosecutions. In the other two cases, those of Former Mayor or Schmitz and Louis Glavin, vice-president of the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company, convictions resulted.

A demonstration of prolonged applause from the spectators followed the verdict.

#### BYE-ELECTIONS.

Polling Will Take Place in Nicolet and Labelle on December 20th—Liberal Candidates.

Ottawa, Man., Dec. 4.—Writs for Nicolet and Labelle have been issued. Nominations will take place on December 23rd, and voting on December 30th. D. W. Truscott is the Liberal candidate in Nicolet, and C. B. Major in Labelle.

#### DEATH OF LADY HOWARD.

Queen Wilhelmina Sends Condolences to British Ambassador at The Hague.

The Hague, Dec. 4.—Queen Wilhelmina has sent a chamberlain to Sir Henry Howard, the British minister to The Netherlands, to express her condolences in the death of his wife, Lady Howard, and to place a wreath upon the coffin. The body will leave here tomorrow for England, where the interment will take place. Lady Howard was Miss Cecilia Riggs, daughter of the late George Riggs, of Washington. She died in this city yesterday, after a long illness.

#### AOKI'S RECALL HIS OWN DESIRE

#### M. TAKAHIRI MAY BE AMBASSADOR IN U. S.

Acting of Japan Does Not Denote Change in Friendly Relations Towards America.

Tokio, Dec. 4.—The recall of Viscount Aoki, Japanese ambassador at Washington, and the resignation of M. Takahiri, minister of the foreign office, and M. Takahiri, at present Japanese ambassador to Italy and formerly minister of Japan at Washington. It is now understood that M. Takahiri is the first choice.

The Associated Press is assured by the highest authority in the foreign office that the recall of Viscount Aoki is not intended as a hostile move, but a possible change at Washington has long been imminent. Neither should the present action be construed to denote the slightest change in the friendly relations of the Japanese government towards America on the immigration question.

In the course of an interview to-day, M. Takahiri said: "It is probable that Viscount Aoki may not return to Washington. In the event of his resignation, the government of Japan will only appoint to the position a person well known in America, whom the president knows and likes, and who has the confidence of the American people. The Japanese government is making every effort to meet the wishes of the president and the people on the immigration question, and in appointing a foreign minister, it realizes the importance of having a representative in Washington who is not only acceptable and friendly to the people, but is acquainted with the prevailing conditions in America."

A special dispatch from Washington to the Manich Dempo says the American public is inclined to think the recall of Aoki is due to the determination on the part of Foreign Minister Hayashi to pursue a different policy which will be antagonistic to America.

The above official quoted assures an Associated Press representative that that construction was entirely erroneous. He said the foreign minister is nearer now to a friendly solution than ever before. Minister Hayashi is determined to exercise all the authority vested in the foreign minister to control the immigration of laborers.

"We are anxious," said this official, "to avoid any sacrifice of our treaty rights with the United States and Canada, but we can and will control the immigration to either country."

#### CARAVAN AMBUSHED HAREMS CAPTURED

#### Mountain Tribesmen Swoop Down on Moorish Women in Transit to Rabat.

Tangier, Dec. 4.—Mountain tribes have captured a large caravan consisting of the harems of the ministers of Abdal Aziz, the Sultan, on the road to Rabat. The Sultan's ministers, fearing that the Pretender was about to attack Fez, instructed their families to leave immediately and go to Rabat. The tribesmen learning this ambushed the caravan and killed the women and their attendants. They transferred the women to their own harems and divided the extensive treasure which they captured.

#### SMOKESTACK THE CAUSE.

#### Montreal's Mayor May Be Deposed for Equipping Boiler House.

Montreal, Dec. 4.—Notice of application for a writ of quo warranto is served on Mayor Ekers to-day, because a demonstration of prolonged applause from the spectators followed the verdict.

#### INCREASE CIVIC WAGES.

Montreal, Dec. 4.—The city council has accepted the recommendation increasing the wages of corporation laborers from \$1.75 to \$2 per day of nine hours in the winter and ten hours in the summer.

#### COURT SCANDAL STILL ON TAPIS

#### EMPEROR'S ORDER CREATES SENSATION

#### Orgies at Count Lynar's Villa Must be Aired in Ordinary Court of Justice.

Berlin, Dec. 4.—Minister of War von Elnen announced in the Reichstag to-day that the Emperor had ordered the suspension of the court of honor proceedings against General Count Wilhelm von Hohenau, who, together with Major Count Johannes Lynar, was compromised by the testimony given in the Harden von Motzke libel suit.

This action means that Count von Hohenau must take his chances in an ordinary court of justice.

The minister of war announced further that Count Hohenau and Count Lynar had presented themselves for trial and that the cases would take the usual course.

This announcement created a great sensation. The remarks of the minister of war were called forth by a remarkable speech delivered by Dr. Spaache, first president of the Reichstag, in which he said he had been written by Count von Hohenau from the imperial headquarters at Wilhelmshohe to Herr Bellehard, who was a witness at the Harden trial, and which indicated that von Hohenau had had meretricious relations with Bellehard. At the trial Bellehard testified to having taken part in the orgies at the villa of Count Lynar.

#### HANGED AT KAMLOOPS.

#### Sam Lock, a Chinaman, Pays Penalty of Murder.

Kamloops, B. C., Dec. 4.—Sam Lock, the Chinaman, was hanged in the jail yard here this morning at 8 a. m. for the murder of a countryman at Bullion, B. C.

#### HEAD-ON COLLISION IN MARYLAND

#### Three Reported Killed and Many Injured in Crash Between Passenger Trains.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 4.—It is reported that three persons were killed and many injured in a head-on collision this morning on the Baltimore and Ohio Railway, near Elk Ridge, Md.

The wrecked trains were local passenger No. 142 and No. 144 from Washington for Baltimore. The accident occurred between Elkridge and Hanover, about 15 miles west of the city. No. 142, which was carrying an hour ahead of the other train, was late.

#### LORD CHANCELLOR WEDDED.

#### Baron Loreburn and Miss Violet Hicks-Beach United in Westminster Hall.

London, Dec. 3.—In the Gothic Crypt of the chapel beneath Westminster Hall, Robert Threshie Reid, Baron Loreburn, the Lord Chancellor, was married this afternoon to Miss Violet Hicks-Beach, a niece of Lord St. Aldwyn.

The ceremony, which was quiet, was especially interesting from the fact that this is the first occasion on which a lord chancellor has been married during the term of his office, and that this marriage was the first ever performed within the precincts of the House of Parliament.

With the exception of the premier, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, who is abroad, practically all of Baron Loreburn's colleagues in the cabinet were present. The Bishop of London officiated.

#### DESTROYED BY FIRE.

#### Elevator Valued at \$6,000 Burned at Pilot Mound.

Pilot Mound, Man., Dec. 3.—The elevator at Wood Bay, belonging to the Smith Grain Company, of Winnipeg, was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The elevator is valued at \$6,000, but otherwise the loss will not be heavy, as there was only 200 bushels of grain in it.

#### CHINK MARRIES WHITE GIRL.

#### Solution of Racial Problem Distasteful to Inhabitants of Swift Current.

Swift Current, Dec. 4.—Jim Wah, a Chinese, married a white girl here yesterday. There is much indignation over the occurrence in the neighborhood.

#### G. T. P. INCREASING CAPACITY.

Pert Huron, Dec. 3.—The capacity of the Grand Trunk shops in the north end of the city is to be increased by twenty-four cars daily. The shops are to be re-fitted. One large structure is now under construction and another is to be started about the new year. The present payroll comprises about one thousand names, and employment is to be given an additional six hundred, it is said.

#### SEVERAL KILLED OUTRIGT ON GLASGOW PAISLEY LINE—BODIES TERRIBLY MUTILATED

Glasgow, Dec. 4.—A gang of nine plate layers was run down to-day by a locomotive on the Glasgow-Paisley line. Several of the men were killed outright.

They were so terribly mutilated that their bodies had to be gathered up in sacks.

#### U. S. ARMY OFFICER RESIGNS.

Port Townsend Citizens Protest Against Lieut. Miller's Honorably Discharge.

Port Townsend, Dec. 4.—Lieut. P. G. Miller, who was recently court-martialed for the murder of a woman, has tendered his resignation to the commanding officer at Vancouver barracks. Local citizens have prepared a formal protest against Lieut. Miller's honorable discharge from the army.

#### CANNED POISON.

Lady Taken Suddenly Ill After Eating Tomatoes.

Brandon, Dec. 4.—Miss Clara Hogart, operon in the Fone Co.'s office here, was poisoned by eating canned tomatoes at ten last night. She was taken suddenly ill, suffering from severe pains. Dr. Templeton was called. The delay in getting the young woman's life, but she is still very ill.

#### IN HARNESS AGAIN.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—McBean & Co., grain commission merchants who have been out of business for several days, resumed to-day, having liquidated all liabilities.

#### WARSHIPS TO GATHER IN HAMPTON ROADS

#### Flagship of U. S. Fleet Coming to Pacific Delayed by Suicide on Board.

New York, Dec. 4.—The United States battleship Connecticut, the flagship of Admiral Robt D. Evans, will not sail until Thursday morning for the rendezvous of the fleet for the Pacific at Hampton Roads. The warship was scheduled to leave to-day, and it is said the postponement was caused by the suicide yesterday of H. D. Piero, a gunner's mate, who shot himself on board the ship. The delay will permit of an inquest and burial.

The warships Rhode Island, Virginia and Yankton will sail to-day for Hampton Roads as scheduled.

Piero was a Russian and had been in the American navy for ten years. He had a letter from Russia which informed him that one of his relatives in Finland had been arrested and condemned to death. Piero brooded over the injustice, and yesterday went to the after part of the battleship, rolled himself a cigarette, placed a pistol in his hand, and fired. Death was instantaneous.

#### MUNICIPALITY WINS ACTION.

Regina, Dec. 4.—Chief Justice Wetmore gave judgment for the defendants, yesterday in the supreme court, in the action brought by F. F. Fry and the municipality of Regina, against the plaintiffs, contractors, against the municipality of Regina, for the cost of the installation of water works, being \$20,000, and 20 per cent. on the contract price.

#### COMMENTS WORK OF RED CROSS SOCIETY

#### Secretary Root Congratulates U. S. Organization on Progress It Has Made

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Secretary Root delivered a brief address at the third annual meeting of the American National Red Cross Society held here yesterday. In the absence of Secretary Taft, the president of the organization, Geo. W. Davies, was named chairman of the convention. The present officers were re-elected, viz: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Beekman Winthrop; councillor, A. Cooley; secretary, Chas. L. Magee.

Secretary Root pointed out that there was great satisfaction in the work of the Red Cross, and that he was gratified on the progress it had made since last meeting. The Secretary spoke of other work done by the Red Cross, and said the provisions regarding the treatment of prisoners regarding the progress it had made since last meeting.

#### NATIONAL BANK CURRENCY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The comptroller of the currency to-day issued a call for a statement of the condition of national banks at the close of business on Dec. 3.

#### BUILDING IN TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 4.—Building operations in Toronto for the seven months of the past year show an increase of a million dollars over the same period in 1906.

#### COBAN A TOTAL LOSS.

North Sydney, C. B., Dec. 4.—For five hours last night and again this morning five powerful tugs made an unsuccessful attempt to release the Dominion Coal Company's steamer Coban which ran high on the rocks at Black Point, near here in Monday's blizzard. The Coban will be a total loss.

#### SOUTHEAST GALE BLOWING.

A warning cone, indicating a southerly gale, was hoisted at the Victoria meteorological office at 1.30 o'clock last evening. During the evening a southerly gale was blowing off the west coast as far south as the Columbia river. The wind turned about and has been blowing from the southeast since the warning was displayed last night. Between 6 and 8 o'clock last night the velocity of the wind was 30 miles an hour, but this morning, between 6 and 9 o'clock, the velocity as registered at the local office was averaged 34 miles. This indicates stronger gales on the coast and in the Sound district.

The barometer fell from 30 at 4 p.m. yesterday to 29.30 at 8 a.m. to-day. The storm centre is now moving from the Washington coast over British Columbia in a northeasterly direction. No reports from the United States meteorological stations are available to-day as the telegraph service south of Sumas City, Wash., is deranged.

G. D. Kumar has received the following donations for the purchase of a wooden leg for the injured Hindu: Two ladies, \$2; a friend, \$1; Mrs. Wheatley, of Wellington, 25 cents; total, \$3.25; amount already acknowledged, \$6.25. They were so terribly mutilated that their bodies had to be gathered up in sacks.

#### BOMB OUTRAGE IN MOSCOW

#### TERRORIST'S ATTEMPT AT ASSASSINATION

#### Women Mutilated, Horses Blown to Pieces—Anarchists Plot Wholesale Destruction

Moscow, Dec. 4.—An unsuccessful attempt was made in this city to-day upon the life of Lieutenant-General Gensersheimann, Governor-General of Moscow. He escaped death only by a narrow margin.

A woman hurled a bomb at the general's carriage while he was driving this morning in the Leasort quarter of the city. The horses were blown to pieces and the coachman severely wounded. The governor-general, however, came out of the explosion unscathed.

The woman was so seriously mutilated by her own bomb that she was removed to the hospital. She is in a dangerous condition.

Wholesale Anarchy. Paris, Dec. 4.—A Geneva dispatch says that the police have discovered a Russian Terrorist plot to assassinate the Emperor, blow up the Imperial palace, and the Douma, and pillage the Imperial Bank of Russia.

One arrest has been made in connection with the alleged plot.

#### FAILURES IN TURKEY.

#### Big American Banking Concern Collapses in Constantinople.

Constantinople, Dec. 4.—As a result of the monetary difficulties in the United States a series of failures have occurred here lately culminating in the suspension of a big American banking and commercial concern of Stamboul the Mohammedan part of the city. The liabilities of this house amount to over \$1,000,000, and the assets are estimated at a somewhat lower figure.

Several local concerns were affected by the suspension, but the Ottoman name acute, the financial and commercial part came to their rescue and prevented a general financial collapse.

#### DIVORCE ACTIONS MUST STAND OVER

#### Full Court Agrees That Question of Jurisdiction Should be Settled by Privy Council.

The full court, sitting in Vancouver, has agreed with E. P. Davis, K.C., that it is useless to hear any applications regarding matters of divorce till such time as the Privy Council had decided whether the province had the right to grant divorces or not.

This decision was arrived at on the presentation of an appeal regarding alimony. It means that all cases now in the courts will be tied up till the judgment of the Privy Council is given.

It is the intention of the provincial government to have the appeal from Mr. Justice Clement in this matter heard at an early date. It is generally expected that the Privy Council will decide that the province has jurisdiction in matters of divorce, and that the appeal will be granted.

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#### WHEAT STEALER.

Prominent Manitoba Farmer Arrested on Grave Charge.

Neepawa, Man., Dec. 4.—A prominent farmer in Glendale, twelve miles south of here, was arrested for wheat stealing and brought before Magistrate McGill yesterday who remanded the case for a week.

Accused and another farmer were caught by watchers guarding wheat belonging to Wm. Willoughby on a farm where no one lives. He declares he was led to believe that his companion owned the wheat and he was to haul it away in the night and avoid the bailiff.

#### NOMINATIONS IN WEST.

Winnipeg, Dec. 4.—Three conventions were held yesterday in Western Canada to nominate candidates for the House of Commons.

Conservatives nominated E. W. Day, mayor of Daysland, for the Strathcona seat, and John Herron, M. P., at MacLeod. The Liberals at Red Deer nominated Dr. Clark of Olds, for the Red Deer seat.

#### SELLING STOCK TO EMPLOYEES

#### GREAT NORTHERN IS MAKING AN OFFER

#### Small Subscribers Are Given Opportunity to Get It Without Brokers' Fees.

President Louis W. Hill, of the Great Northern Railway, has issued a circular outlining a plan whereby its employees and others living along the system may purchase for investment one or more shares of that company's stock without paying the usual commissions charged by stock brokers.

In explanation of this action on the part of the company, Mr. Hill says: "During the last few weeks, and particularly since financial conditions here became acute, the officers of the company have received many requests from employees and others for information as to how small investments might be made in stock of the Great Northern Railway Company. These inquiries came mainly from people who had had no experience in purchasing stock in New York or from persons living in communities where there were no stock brokers."

The circular outlines in detail the conditions and methods attaching to the purchase of stock. No subscription will be received for over one hundred shares, but if any person desires more than one hundred shares the Great Northern Employees' Investment Company will endeavor to purchase same in New York at such price as the subscriber may name.

All subscriptions for less than one hundred shares will be at the current market price of the stock at the time the subscriptions are received. A remittance of the approximate price of the shares of stock to be purchased should be for slightly more than the probable cost in order to allow for fluctuations of the market. Immediately upon receipt of the subscription and remittance the required number of shares should be for slightly more than the probable cost in order to allow for fluctuations of the market. Immediately upon receipt of the subscription and remittance the required number of shares should be for slightly more than the probable cost in order to allow for fluctuations of the market.

Employees now holding investment certificates issued by the Great Northern Employees' Investment Company may surrender all or part of their certificates and purchase Great Northern stock at the current market price. Contrary to the custom such employees will be permitted to take out other investment certificates from time to time if they desire up to the amount of the certificates surrendered. Contrary to the custom such employees will be permitted to take out other investment certificates from time to time if they desire up to the amount of the certificates surrendered.

There are other details relative to the procedure in purchasing the stock that are fully explained in the circular.

#### CIRCULAR SAW VICTIM.

Belleville, Dec. 4.—Frederick Pratt is dead at Deseronto from injuries received by falling against a circular saw in the box factory.

#### STRANGE EVENING IN WELL TRAGEDY

#### Salisbury Man Said He Held His Wife's Neck to Restore Circulation.

Salisbury, N. B., Dec. 4.—Mrs. C. A. Horseman, who was found in a well near here on Monday by her husband, died soon after, and strange evidence was given at the inquest.

Mr. Horseman swore he was ploughing about the well. He went to a barn for a wrench and returned with his wife protruding from the well. He pulled her out and carried her into the house. He said he and his wife had quarrelled some time ago and the latter threatened to leave him.

Neighbors testified that Horseman would not let his wife's clothing be removed, and that he held her by the throat. One witness saw Mrs. Horseman revived enough to speak and denied falling into the well.

A neighbor said Horseman had said to his wife: "If you ever come around I wish you would mind me now."

Another said Horseman, when asked to take his hand off his wife's throat, said he was "trying to create circulation in the neck."

The jury returned a verdict of death by drowning, but the attorney-general's attention has been drawn to the matter.

#### TIDAL SURVEY ON THE COAST

#### IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN THE NEW TABLES

#### Valuable Assistance to Navigators is Furnished by Records Made by Tidal Survey

In the tide tables for 1908, which have just been issued by the marine and fisheries department, Ottawa, it is gratifying to note the progress made in the amount of valuable information now available for the navigators on our coasts. In this practical effort are being made by the Dominion government to further the interests of trade and commerce on the Pacific Coast.

These tide tables are one result of the work of the tidal and current survey of Canada; and in 1907 the director, Dr. Bell Dawson, spent the summer season on this coast. A comprehensive scheme was then inaugurated for obtaining more satisfactory tidal data, and this is already bearing practical fruit. In the present tide tables additional tables are given for the time of slack water in two important passes, Active Pass and Portier Pass. This is an important advantage, when the tides which are engaged in the traffic through these passes have to be timed to arrive at the time of slack water in them, and these passes are used for nearly all the heavier traffic in coal, etc., between Vancouver Island and the Mainland.

In the general scheme for the tides of British Columbia it was found necessary to treat Victoria and the Strait of Juan de Fuca as a separate region. The work of the tidal and current survey of the United States tables, they were referred to Galveston, on the Gulf of Mexico. It was hardly to be expected that practical accuracy could thus be secured; and the observations made at Port Townsend. The great improvement which results from tidal observations in Victoria harbor is thus secured; and the observations were taken continuously, day and night, during three complete years, which makes known all the variations of the tide during the course of the day, and at all seasons of the year.

The accuracy of tide tables is proportional to the length of the observations which serves as a basis for their calculation; and the observations of the Victoria observations is as long as at any of the United States ports on the Pacific, with the exception of San Francisco. There are three other ports for which tide tables are published: Port Townsend, tidal observations were obtained for three years; at Astoria for two years; and at Sitka, in Alaska, for one year.

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CIVIC NOMINATIONS.

Candidates Selected in Provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Edmonton, Dec. 2.—The following nominations for Mayors were made yesterday in Saskatchewan and Alberta towns and cities.

Rural Indianhead—D. Ralton, reeve, by acclamation. Indianhead—T. E. Donnelly, by acclamation.

Quebec, Dec. 2.—Bureau hotel, at Montmorency Falls, one of the landmarks of the city, which has been in existence for fifty years, was destroyed by fire this morning.

Little Current, Ont., Dec. 2.—The business portion of this town was nearly wiped out by fire last night and this morning. Loss \$70,000, little insurance.

Swung High Above Waves. Quickly the cable was made fast. Suspended from it was a boat with ropes connecting with the ship and the shore.

Two women and a child were the first to make the passage on the aerial road to the shore and safety. The inhabitants of Ironbound had come to the help of the sailors, and they worked the landward end of the basket road, while a score of sailors looked after the line on the ship.

Sea Subsidies. To and fro went the basket, sometimes carrying two passengers, and when they were small carrying three.

As the day wore on the boats were used more and more, and it is estimated that by their nearly half the people got ashore, the greater part of the male portion having been forwarded in that way.

It was only less difficult to get the people off the island than it had been to get them ashore from the Mount Temple. The steamer Trusty came down the river for the people, but she could not get within one hundred feet of the island, and it was slow work getting them off by boats.

The water was calm, but it was not easy affecting a landing and in turn getting the passengers on board the Trusty.

Several months ago these Chinamen were smuggled into Cape Breton. They were arrested and charged with smuggling themselves into Canada, but were released under the habeas corpus proceedings.

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LARGE ORDER FOR GOOD FRUIT

AUSTRALIA WANTS THOUSANDS OF BOXES

The Apples Must Be Well Packed—Co-operation in Business Will Be Investigated.

"I hold in my hand an order for thirty thousand boxes of apples to go to Australia next year at the highest current prices, but they must be put up in packing houses by expert packers."

This was the announcement of Mr. Johnson, of Nelson, at the meeting of fruit growers of the district. The opening of the different telegraphic lines simply because of the better grading.

Revelstoke, he continued, was chosen as the central point, simply because it was a neutral point. It was at the end of the different telegraphic lines, both east and west, thus avoiding delay in the transmission of messages.

"The B. C. Exchange is not a money-making institution, as no dividends are paid. Each member takes one share and one delegate is sent to the central association for every twenty-five members up to one hundred, and after that one delegate for every fifty members. Individual members cannot join. An estimate is made of the amount of fruit to be marketed, and orders secured to that extent."

Some objections were made that there would be a level rate, the best fruit going at the same price as the worst. To show that this was not so, he told of the different prices for car lots and ten per cent. for express packages. Those who opposed the central exchange last year were enthusiastically in favor of it.

Mr. Wilson, of Chilliwack, secretary of the central association, thought all must readily see the advantages of a central packing house. At Chilliwack the packing houses have been running for two years, and the result had been a considerable increase in the price of fruit. They knew what they were going to get before they sent it away. The exchange, said he, was a selling agency, and Chilliwack had found it a great boon to them.

A prominent dealer wanted to buy the entire apple output this year. He offered 85c for No. 1; 75c for No. 2 and 50c for No. 3. Needless to say, they did not accept the offer.

The lowest price he offered them for No. 1 was \$1.10 for No. 2 and \$1.00 for No. 3, and much of it had sold at a good deal higher price. The girls who pack the fruit did for 2c a box, the total cost of boxing and handling being 25c a box. The grower brought in the fruit to the packing house and that was all he had to do with it. The fruit was all kept separate, well packed and graded, when all went into the general pile.

In shipping strawberries, the fruit is packed for their own produce. It was the only possible way. There were agents at the central point who inspected the fruit after it arrived. Those who did not pack the fruit properly would not be allowed to sell through the exchange.

Mr. Hagar, manager of the exchange at Revelstoke, answered a number of questions satisfactorily, letting considerable light on the detail of the work.

Mr. Stewart said he thought the establishing of packing houses was impractical, as the amount was so scattered. He was, however, strongly in favor of organization.

Mr. Brandt spoke on the strawberry packing, and said that the country was divided on the subject, and that the customers were all opposed to getting strawberries on a shingle. The matter, he said, would be taken up on the third Wednesday in January, when the fruit growers met in this city.

Speaking of the packing house problem, he said he thought there might be several small houses with one head packer. He saw some very poorly packed apples on the street here in Victoria that would not be worth more than 20c a box.

The Americans, Mr. Brandt continued, were allowed to bring fruit in of any old kind of package, whereas the home growers were held down to a certain size and shape.

Mr. Watson said that in Gordon Head three times the quantity would be required this year, as compared with what had been done in the past. He felt that the boxes should be purchased early in the year.

Thos. Brydon thought the sooner the Victoria growers had an exchange of their own, the better it would be for them to sustain a good manager and if they had him, they would know where they stood. "The financial importance of the business," he continued, "is increasing so rapidly that something should be done at once."

Mr. Thoms then moved the following resolution, which carried unanimously: "That a committee be named to investigate the question of an up-to-date local exchange, and in the event of forming a local exchange, to report, such to be typewritten, and a copy sent to all members of the old association, at least ten days before the annual meeting in January, 1908."

Mr. Gale, in summing up, thought it best to wait until they were properly organized before taking any definite step towards affiliating with the central body. The meeting then adjourned.

ROOSEVELT SENDS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Answers Criticisms of His Anti-Trust Campaign—Industrial Condition, Currency Laws, Railroads and Tariff Discussed.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—President Roosevelt to-day sent his annual message to congress. It is a voluminous document, making about thirty thousand words.

The president's opening words are an answer to criticisms of his policy towards large corporations, which his critics have sought to show are responsible for the recent financial flurry in the country. The fundamental business conditions of the country are sound, the president declares, and it is foolish for people to withdraw their money from the banks and hoard it. Moreover, he continues, the business of the people is conducted with honesty and probity, although in any large body of men there are certain to be some misdoers. When the misdoers of these successfully dishonest men are discovered, suffering comes, not only to them, but upon the innocent whom they have misled. It is his duty, therefore, to punish those responsible for them.

"Inter-state commerce must be controlled," the president continues, "and only the national government can, in through-going fashion, exercise the needed control. This does not mean that there should be any extension of federal authority, for an authority already exists in the form of the interstate commerce act, and most far-reaching form, but it does mean that there should be an extension of federal activity."

"The most vital need is in connection with the railroads. As to these, in my judgment, there should be a national corporation act of a law to regulate the railroads, to engage in inter-state commerce upon certain conditions. The law should be so framed as to give to the inter-state commerce commission power to pass upon the future issue of securities, while ample means should be provided to enable the commission, whenever, in its judgment it is necessary, to make a physical valuation of any railroad."

"As stated in my message to the congress a year ago, railroads should be given power to enter into agreements, subject to the agreement being made in public and in minute detail, and the consent of the inter-state commission be first obtained. Until the national government assumes proper control of the inter-state commerce in the exercise of the authority it already possesses, it will be impossible to either give or to get from the railroads full justice."

"Moreover, in my judgment, there should be additional legislation looking to the proper control of great business concerns engaged in inter-state business, this control to be exercised for their own benefit and prosperity no less than for the benefit of investors, and of the general public. As I have said already, in messages to the congress and elsewhere, experience has definitely shown, not merely the unwisdom, but the futility, of endeavoring to put a stop to all business combinations. Modern industrial conditions are such that combination is not only necessary, but inevitable. It is so in the world of business just as it is in the world of labor, and it is my ideal to desire to put an end to all corporations, to all big combinations of capital, as I desire to put an end to combinations of labor. Corporation and labor unions alike have come to stay. Each, if properly managed, is a source of good and benefit to the community."

"The anti-trust law should not be repeated, but it should be made both more efficient and more in harmony with the conditions. It should be amended to forbid only the kind of combination which does harm to the general public, such amendment to be accompanied by, or to be an incident to, a grant of supervisory power to the government over these big concerns engaged in inter-state business. This should be accompanied by a provision for the compulsory publication of accounts, and the submission of books and papers to the inspection of the government officials. A beginning has already been made for such supervision by the establishment of the bureau of corporations. The design should be to prevent the abuses incident to the creation of unhealthy and improper combinations, instead of waiting until they are in existence, and then attempting to destroy them by civil or criminal proceedings. A combination should not be tolerated if it abuses the power acquired by combination to the public detriment."

"No corporation or association of any kind should be permitted to engage in foreign or inter-state commerce that is formed for the purpose of, or whose operations create, a monopoly or a general control of the production, sale, or distribution of any one or more of the prime necessities of life or articles of general use or necessity. Such combinations are against public policy. To violate the common law, the doors of the courts are closed to those who are parties to them, and I believe that congress can close the channels of inter-state commerce against them for its protection. Reasonable agreements between, or combinations of, corporations should be permitted, provided they are submitted to and approved by some appropriate government body."

"Provisions should also be made for complete publicity in all matters affecting the public interest, and complete protection to the investing public and the shareholders in the matter of the issuing of corporate securities. Those who fear,

INCREASED PROSPERITY.

President of Bank of Montreal Has Great Faith in Canada's Immediate Future.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—At the annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, held at noon yesterday, Sir George Drummond, the president, in his annual address, gave a lengthy review of the financial development of the Dominion, and expressed confidence in the future. The coming year, he said, would spell increased prosperity for the Dominion.

He also announced that in all probability Sir Thomas Shaughnessy and David Morrice will be added to the directors of the Bank of Montreal.

NEW GRAND SECRETARY. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 2.—R. L. Gunn, of this city, has been appointed Grand Secretary of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada, until the next meeting of the grand lodge, in place of Hugh Murray, deceased.

BUILDING OULAY IN WINNIPEG. Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—The total amount expended on buildings in Winnipeg up to November 30th, in the two years compares as follows: 1907, \$6,234,000; 1906, \$12,597,300.

VICTIMS NUMBER FORTY SEVEN RECOVERING BODIES FROM MINE EXPLOSION

All Lost That Entombed Men at Naomi Are Alive Is Abandoned.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 3.—Up to midnight yesterday thirteen bodies had been recovered from the Naomi mine of the United Coal Company, near Fayette City. It has now been ascertained that 5 Americans and 42 foreign miners were entombed by the explosion.

"There is a possibility that the explosion occurred so close to some of the men that they lost their lives immediately, being killed by its force or the resultant fall of tons of rock and earth. All last night rescuers were at work, while at the surface near the blocked up entrance frantic women and children awaited news of the fate of their loved ones. Those still immured in the mine are thought to have certainly succumbed to the deadly damp. Notwithstanding the fact that the rescuers have worked in one minute reliefs, a score or more of their members have been compelled to go to their homes suffering from the poisonous gases. The work has been necessarily slow on account of wreckage and aftersdamp."

Throughout yesterday a crowd of 2,000 people stood about the mouth of the mine, awaiting news of the fate of the entombed men. The scene is pitiable in the extreme. The certain belief of all, however, is that the rest of the men who have not yet been recovered are certain to be found dead.

BROOKLYN BANKS. Investigation Into Their Suspension Has Commenced.

New York, Dec. 2.—The new King's county grand jury to-day began an investigation of the suspended Brooklyn banks. The affairs of the Jenkins Trust Company and the Borough bank were first inquired into.

It is alleged that a favored few depositors of the Borough bank were paid off after the bank closed its doors. The report of John Mullhall, temporary receiver of the Jenkins Trust Company made public to-night, states that of \$840,000 collateral was outstanding, the net sum which could be realized from the collateral would not exceed \$175,000. The receiver stated that Frank and John Jenkins, Jr., have call loans to the amount of \$857,000, and that the cash which could be raised on the collateral would amount to about \$110,000.

DEATH OF MUTINEERS. Vladivostok, Dec. 2.—The court-martial which has been trying the men who participated in the recent mutinies sentenced twenty-one to death.

ROOSEVELT AND ORIENTAL INFLUX

U. S. President Opposes Restriction Bill to be Introduced This Session.

Washington, Dec. 3.—President Roosevelt is opposed to the bill restricting Oriental immigration prepared by Mr. Hayes, of California.

The provisions of the measure were made known to the president yesterday by Mr. Hayes and Mr. Kahn, of California. Beyond saying that the president indicated his opposition, and that he would introduce the bill and press it to the best of his ability, Mr. Hayes declined to discuss the question.

He said, however, that the bill was in accordance with the sentiment in California, which has become universally opposed to Japanese immigration.

Further Witnesses Testify in Great Druce Mystery.

London, Dec. 2.—The hearing of the Druce case, which involves the estate of the Duke of Portland, and the title of the Duke of Portland, was resumed here yesterday.

Robert C. Caldwell underwent a further cross-examination at the hands of Horace Avery, counsel for the defence, whose questions insinuated the belief that Robert Caldwell and his brother, William, who was frequently mentioned in Robert's testimony, were one and the same person.

James Whiting, a naturalist, who was formerly employed by Welbeck Abbey, the estate of the Fifth Duke of Portland, testified that a photograph of C. Druce did not resemble the Duke.

Another witness, a photographer, declared that he had taken a photograph of Druce wearing a false beard, and that he had seen Druce in 1865 after his supposed death.

After hearing extending over several hours, the court adjourned.

PINAWA CHANNEL DISPUTE.

Agreement Reached Between Street Railway Company and Winnipeg City.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 3.—Mayor Ashdown announced yesterday that the difficulty between the Street Railway company and the city's men on the bridge being erected at the Pinawa Channel, has been amicably settled, and that an agreement has been drawn up by the city solicitor, which will be signed by all parties.

The agreement was reached after a meeting between the Dominion government engineer, C. B. Smith, chief power engineer, and a representative of the Street Railway company. Under the agreement the Street Railway Co. is required to leave in the same condition as when it found it, the bank of the Pinawa Channel, and in no way impede the city's men doing their work. The city has offered to allow the street railway to go ahead with its improvements, on the condition that the city's plans shall not be interfered with.

NELSON POLICE. Officer of Law Found Guilty of Theft and Remanded.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 2.—Charles G. Wheeler, who was appointed Sergeant on the local police force two months ago, when the chief and sergeant and eight men resigned over the dismissal of Policeman Young by the commissioner, was to-day found guilty of theft in the police court and remanded for sentence.

Wheeler was suspended on Sunday for being drunk on Friday night, and at an early hour this morning went to a restaurant and helped himself to the contents of the till while the waiter's back was turned.

HINDU RE-ARRESTED. Vancouver, Dec. 2.—Pan Singh, the Hindu arrested by order of Commissioner King, who at Victoria heard the story of his collection of \$5 from the Tartar's household, bound himself to be re-arrested to-night after being freed by the magistrate last week. All the witnesses against him have gone back to India, but Pan Singh to-day stayed in Vancouver by habeas corpus proceedings. To-morrow he will be charged with false pretences.

STRIKE SEAM OF COAL. Four Feet of Good Grade Encountered at Courtenay.

Courtenay, Dec. 2.—At a depth of about 200 feet, after passing through several small seams, coal has been encountered. So far, about four feet of a good grade of coal has been shown. The community in general are greatly encouraged by the work so far done, and now expect to see a good coal company established here.

CHINESE CAN ENTER SCOT-FREE

NOT CRIMINAL TO EVADE HEAD TAX

Interesting Decision Handed Down by Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

Halifax, Dec. 2.—That it is not a criminal offence for Chinamen to enter Canada and that the most the government can do is to sue them for the head tax of \$500, was the decision handed down by the Nova Scotia Supreme Court on Saturday in the case of seventeen Chinamen arrested at Sydney some months ago after they had been smuggled in from Newfoundland.

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FRUIT TREES FOR PLANTERS, HOMEOWNERS, ORNAMENTAL TREES, SHEDS, ETC. CATALOGUES POST FREE. G. A. KNIGHT, 1770 LIME STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.

ALL KINDS OF COUGHS ARE HELPED BY BOWES' BRONCHIAL BALSAM. TRY IT FOR YOUR COUGH. CYRUS H. BOWES, CHEMIST, 98 GOVERNMENT ST., NEAR YATES STREET.

MORTALITY IN INDIAN SCHOOLS

Children Cooped up, Says Veteran Missionary—Tuberculosis Is Rife.

Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—Rev. John C. McDougall, D. D., of Calgary, the veteran Methodist missionary, is in the city. When questioned in regard to the reports that the fearful mortality among the Indian children in the schools he quite corroborated the report of Dr. Bryce, made in Ottawa.

"I do not think that Dr. Bryce went a bit too far," he said, "many of the schools have been very unsanitary, and I have often seen the children in their work among the children are discouraged in their attempts at once."

"Instead of these schools there should be boarding schools on the reserves. Of course, the principals of the schools would not like that, for their aim is to keep the children as far as possible away from their associations, but to do this is unkind and ungodly, and I have often been sick at heart to see children cooped up as if they were in prison. We are trying to make the Indians bridge a chasm in our generation, which it has taken us two thousand years to cross. The result is that it kills them."

"We try to make them live in houses, and I am sorry to say that in the earlier days I myself went out and tried to show them how it should be done, but I see now that it was a huge mistake. Ontario now is full of consumption as a result of the people living in such houses. We try to make them eat our food after the simple diet to which they have been accustomed, and we wonder that they cannot stand it."

"I am a missionary, but I would protest against the action which has been taken Manitoba to prevent the Indians having their sun dance. It is a religious service, and to stop it was a case of religious intolerance. There were formerly objectionable features in this dance, but they would not exist now. The only things which would be objectionable would be brought in by the outsiders. These Indians all believe in the Great Spirit, and look to the sun daily as his representative. They may be mistaken in their idea of things, but they should be led up to higher things by a gradual process."

IN MEMORIAM. Montreal, Dec. 2.—The funeral of the late F. H. Mathewson, local manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, this afternoon was attended by a great concourse, representing every class and creed in the community. Senator Cox and B. S. Walker represented the head office of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

H. B. Bessley, assistant to the executive agent of the C. P. R., went out on an inspection of the Island lines this morning.

NADA LIVE STOCK WINS AT CHICAGO

winning Honor of International Exposition is Awarded to Rowan King.

FATALITIES IN FERNIE.

Fernie, Dec. 2.—Two fatal accidents occurred yesterday here. L. Taylor, a laborer in railway construction, was killed in railway construction.

CARNegie GRANT FOR CALGARY.</



NTS TO HAVE AREAS OPENED CONCESSIONS PROVE A BARRIER

ent of Be la Coola Raises an objection to the Administration of Affairs.

provincial government are re- the settlement of Bella Coola, are keeping settlers out of the While there is a demand for rural land throughout the coast the lands in the Bella Coola val- tied up by the local govern- This is the opinion expressed F. Jacobson, who lives there and on a visit to Victoria. He ex- that five years ago a pulp com- was granted to a big company promised to build a mill at once. tters in the district were will- site, water power, timber everything they could possibly in order to get the mill. The aluable timber and agricultural were granted by the government understanding that the works to be started at once. No effort was made to hold the mill, yet the is able to start on to the eighty acres of land which are every becoming more valuable, while strict is suffering from the tie-

in the last year or two a num- Scotch and English settlers have and squatted on these lands. vernment will give them no title, say they intend to stay there. they is rich. The land is suit- agriculture, and the timber is immense sums.

nd many of those who have to the valley have been obliged long distance up in order to find lands, when right there in the of the valley is land that the ment will not allow them to go F. Jacobson feels very strongly subject. He was partly instru- in getting the pulp mill idea but he had no notion that the ent would have had such an evil The fact of the matter is, he d in the event of the company to fulfil their promises as they one that the government would backbone to make inquisit the land to which they b just claim.

NOTING WAS DUE TO AN ACCIDENT

of the Coroner's Inquest into the Death of Waldo E. Knapp.

roner's jury which heard the evi- tative to the death of W. E. the Red Cliff Lumber com- brought in a verdict last evening deceased had come to his death dential conducted by his own Dr. Hart conducted the in- dence taken yesterday afternoon st the story which was repeat- blished by a local paper to the at Mr. Knapp had a dinner here his criminal clothes. The evidence was to the effect overcoat with silk facing and a eral of the witnesses, including lid and John McIntosh, who has the Old Men's Home, Mr. gave the information that the was accidental. He said that he rd someone apparently in the nd had reached to his pocket revolver, and was putting it in ket of the mackintosh when it knew nothing more until he The revolver, it was explained, ven been discharged as it fell on nd, the bullet entering the leg ve the calf. The course of the as about horizontal. He was placed under an anes- F. Knapp requested that his leg be amputated. McIntosh, of the Old Men's Home, shot while he was at the ex- buildings. He left shortly after- when he reached the end of the he found W. Rhodes, of the who told him of the condition. McIntosh, with the knowledge which from a long period spent in the ascertained that the man was to death, and although it was light he discovered the wound a rope about the leg above the ake a tourniquet, which Dr. his evidence showed, was most done, and undoubtedly saved the as at that time. Has Helmecken, K.C., representing ds of the deceased man, thanked McIntosh for the services he had

with of Mr. Knapp was ascribed stration from loss of blood and All witnesses testified to the he had not been drinking. evening services were held at of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing conducted by Bishop Perrin, y started East for Vermont this Mrs. Knapp leaving also.

ANICURE AND TOILET SETS showing includes pres- silver, Nickel ver and Ebony. From two-piece set to eight, Dr. thirteen and fifteen sets. Randomly priced from \$2.00 to \$75.00 Open Every Evening. THE J. M. WHITNEY CO JEWELLERS 1005 GOVERNMENT ST.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office. Nov. 27th to Dec. 3rd, 1907. The weather during the closing days of November was unsettled and rainy, the prevailing factors being high barometric pressure over the North Pacific states and storm areas from the ocean passing over British Columbia and crossing the Rockies into Alberta. On the 1st and 2nd the pressure from the adjoining states moved up into this province and two days of better weather occurred, but the weather was brief, for a fresh disturbance centered off the Vancouver Island coast and quickly developed into a fresh easterly gale, with heavy wind velocities on the coasts and outside waters; the rainfall has been heavy on the Lower Mainland, and some five inches of snow fell at the but in the southern portions of the province mild temperatures have prevailed to an unusual extent. In the prairie provinces the weather (taken altogether) has not been unseasonable. Some snowfall occurred; temperatures were moderate in Alberta, but in Saskatchewan and Manitoba much colder weather occurred, with the mercury falling below zero in several places. At Victoria, there were only 2 hours of bright sunshine; high temperature, 57th; low, 35th; rain, 1.07 inches. At Vancouver—High, 57.0 on 23rd and 24th; low, 36.0 on 2nd, 6th and 7th; rain, 2.5 inches. At New Westminster—High, 58 on 23rd; low, 36 on 23rd and 28th; rain, 2.70 inches. At Kamloops—High, 50 on 20th; low, 24 on 21st; snow, one inch. At Barkerville—High, 42 on 20th and 21st; low, 2 below zero on 27th; precipitation, 1.73 inch. The returns from Atlin, Dawson and Port Simpson are incomplete owing to wire trouble.

LOCAL NEWS.

—A building permit has been granted to Fred Irvine for a house on Queen's avenue to cost \$2,400.

—Victoria West intermediate basketball team will meet the High school in a league game on Thursday evening. And on the same evening, Victoria West Juniors play the Shamrocks.

—Dr. F. H. Eaton, superintendent of city schools, has been ill for the past few days.

—Last evening, W. Baylis, H. Reid, J. Woods, W. E. Nachtrieb and H. Kingscote, left for Vancouver with fifty birds to exhibit in the poultry show which opens to-day, and lasts for the balance of the week.

—Rev. A. E. Roberts, by special invitation, read an original story, "Politics in Zion," before the First Presbyterian Church Club on Monday evening. Some discussion followed. Solos were rendered by Mr. Morrison, J. G. Brown and Mr. McLean.

—Last evening Ernest Ferguson and Miss Margaret Hunter were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse, by Rev. Leslie W. Clay. The groom was supported by C. E. Millington, while Miss Agnes Hunter acted as bridesmaid. The honeymoon will be spent in Vancouver and the Mainland.

—As a result of the recent examinations conducted by government inspectors, engineering certificates have been issued as follows: Second class, E. Fenty, Walter Cartledge and W. Morell; third class, O. Jacobson, W. Walker, A. C. Kink, J. McLaren, A. J. Taylor, R. Thurm, James Walker and C. Fox; fourth class, T. Clancy, R. Abrams, F. Armstrong, J. Humphrey and J. D. Ross.

—On Tuesday, December 10th a Christmas hamper for the Columbia Coast Mission is to be packed at Hibben & Co.'s warehouse. Gifts of all kinds will be accepted.

—Last evening the Central Baptist Young People's Society held a social meeting in the Harmony hall. A good programme had been prepared for this occasion. The president of the society, K. C. McKenzie, presided, and delivered the address of welcome. The ordinary Christian Endeavor programme will be followed two Mondays in every month, alternative with special lectures by Mr. Burnett on Biblical subjects.

—Co-operation of the Home and the School," will be the subject for discussion at the regular meeting of the Mothers' Club, which takes place Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the Spring Ridge school. At the last meeting of the club it was resolved to appeal to the people of Victoria, and lovers of little children, to procure good literature to be distributed in the homes. Many parents are too busy (and some are indifferent) to subscribe to a good magazine, and it was thought that if some copies of American Motherhood, or any equally good periodical were distributed, much good might be accomplished. Subscriptions may be left at Spring Ridge school in care of the teachers or officers of the club. Strangers and others interested are always welcome at the meetings.

—The election and installation of officers of the Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 248, took place in their lodge room in the A. O. U. W. hall last night. Bro. G. Grimison, P. W. M., performing the duties of installing officer. The following were elected: Bro. G. Grimison, P. W. M.; Bro. G. Grimison, P. W. M., performing the duties of installing officer. The following were elected: Bro. G. Grimison, P. W. M.; Bro. G. Grimison, P. W. M., performing the duties of installing officer.

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lowing were duly elected and installed for the ensuing year: Bro. Geo. Clements, worshipful master; Bro. F. Hallade, D. M.; Bro. Greig, recording secretary; Bro. Cullum, financial secretary; Bro. McNaughton, treasurer; Bro. Post, chaplain. Bro. Denison, master ceremonies; Bro. Ross, lecturer; Bro. Johnson, inside tyler; Bro. Okell, outside tyler. Members of L. O. L. No. 1425 are requested to rally round their new officers, and make the coming year a record one, and to try and follow the footsteps of Orangemen in Vancouver. All Orangemen are cordially invited to attend the lodge meetings held in the A. O. U. W. hall the first and third Mondays of every month.

—Last evening the Natural History Society was to have been addressed by Dr. Hassell on "The Grounds of British Columbia," but owing to professional duties, Dr. Hassell was unable to attend. The address was postponed until another occasion.

—The death occurred last evening at the Protestant Orphans' Home, of a young boy, son of Geo. White, of Nainaimo, B. C. The little fellow was but four and a half years old, succumbing to an attack of croup. Besides himself were several little brothers and sisters being cared for in the home who are left to mourn his loss. Little Jimmie was a favorite and he was liked by all the inmates of the home and he will be missed very much. The remains have been removed to the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors, Government street, and will be sent to Nanaimo in the morning, being accompanied by his father, who arrived in the city by the noon train.

—Centennial Methodist Sunday scholars have donated \$35.20 to the London Ragged Children's Christmas Dinner. The secretary of the Y. M. C. A. acknowledges the following subscriptions: Mrs. Tubb, \$1.50; Mrs. F. Coley, \$1; Mrs. W. Ralph, \$1; Mrs. Crawford, 50 cents; Alfred and Ernest Suney, 50 cents; Victoria West Methodist Sunday school, \$3.50. The list will be closed on Wednesday, December 11th. The different Sunday schools are asked to send in their subscriptions by next Sunday.

—The provincial government is profiting financially from the investments which have prefaced the undertaking of the Dominion government to build another transcontinental railway in the north. This is particularly so in timber. The prospective opening of the Grand Trunk Pacific has occasioned a tremendous rush of investors in timber, of limits, and the provincial revenues have gained remarkably from this source. The revenues from this source during November aggregated \$157,554.50.

—The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks the following donations for the month of November: Mrs. L. J. Quasigott, San Francisco papers; Mrs. H. K. Prior, Seattle papers; Mrs. B. W. Pearce, Illustrated London News; Mrs. Devore, London papers; Mrs. H. D. Helmecken, illustrated papers and magazines; Standard Stationery Company, current magazines; Hibben & Co., magazines; St. Luke's church, Cedar Hill, 2 sacks of apples; N. Shakespeare, reading matter; Mr. Arundell, clothing; J. Morrison, reading matter; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Mining-Exchange, Western Clarion and Pacific Monthly.

—Harvey Combe, secretary of the Golf Club, has received a message from Portland, announcing that the golf team of six members representing Portland, will come to Victoria on Saturday, to play with the local team for the Treat cup. The cup offered by Mr. Treat is the one competed for between the clubs in Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. The teams are to be composed of six players each. The first match of the series for Victoria will be held Saturday. The other three will meet each on the home grounds and once on the opponent's field.

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—The British Coast S.S. Co.'s chartered steamship Transit, which took a large shipment of lumber to Mexico, is expected to arrive at Seattle on the 12th inst. Joseph K. Smith, manager of the local company, is returning from Guaymas on the steamship.

—Last evening the Victoria Lodge, No. 37, Loyal True Blues, held their annual meeting in their rooms at the A. O. U. W. hall. The officers for the coming year were re-elected. There was a large attendance, and a number of new members were accepted.

—The inland revenue returns for the month of November amounted to \$15,826.96, made up as follows: spirits, \$9,826.38; malt, \$1,824.57; manufactured tobacco, \$4,337.77; leaf tobacco, \$446.10; cigars, \$1,290; other receipts, \$152.34.

—Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock a meeting of the city committee of cemetery committee of the city council and committee of those interested in the Quadra street cemetery will be held at the city hall, where further steps will be taken in connection with the improvements of the cemetery.

—The last month was the busiest in the history of the public library. There were 3,519 books issued, giving an average for the 26 days of 135 each day. The highest daily average was 263. A record was created in each item for the month.

—Last evening the annual meeting of the Pioneers' society was held in the Pioneers' hall, with a large number in attendance. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. J. Wall; vice-president, J. Sommers; secretary and treasurer, Allan Graham; physician, Hon. J. S. Helmecken; auditor, Richard Hall.

—The remains of the late R. McLeod, who died at the St. Joseph's hospital on Sunday morning, Nov. 24th, were taken to Nanaimo and interred there. Rev. Mr. Robinson officiated. He leaves two daughters and one son to mourn his loss. Miss Christina McLeod, of Greenwood, B. C.; Miss Maggie McLeod, of Victoria, and Norman McLeod, of Wellington.

—The wooden leg will be here soon. Kanbule Singh will again be able to walk very soon, as a sufficient sum of money to restore his leg has been collected and is now in the hands of Dr. Hassell. The sum amounts in all to \$129.35, made up of collections from Mrs. A. Misad, Mrs. C. T. Todd, A. A. Jackson, Mrs. Goodacre, G. F. Bagshaw, D. Dolg, A. Friend, Miss Woods, Miss Lawson, cards. Donations of clothing were received with thanks from the following: Mrs. Jacobson, No Name, Finlayson, Marjorie and Gladys Mason, Miss Mara, Mrs. Wilde, Mrs. Mathews, Mr. E. Jacobs, R. Porrett & Sons, Mrs. G. G. Scott, and the rooms Friday and Saturday before Christmas to receive donations to assist in the work.

—The Boscowitz steamship Venture is due in port this evening from Northern B. C. ports. She will sail again on the 11th, and will call at Bella Coola.

—There were four drunks at the police court this morning, three of whom received the usual penalty, but the other pleaded "not guilty" and was remanded until to-morrow morning.

—Bishop Perrin has kindly consented to open the sale of work to be held by the cathedral branch of the B. C. A. next Wednesday, Dec. 11th, at 3 p. m., in the cathedral schoolroom, Quadra street. A cordial invitation is extended to all parents and friends of the children and a good attendance is hoped for. The evening entertainment will consist of conjuring by Herr Peters, music and ventriloquism.

—Funeral services over the remains of the late Waldo Ellis Knapp were held last evening in the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company conducted by Bishop Perrin. The Masons turned out in a body and there were also a large number of other people present. Many very beautiful floral tokens covered the casket. The remains are being taken to the family home at Poulinay, Vermont, where they will be interred. Mrs. Knapp is accompanied by Mr. Dallas Helmecken and Mrs. Helmecken also going as far as Seattle.

—The schedule of the Tees has been changed. She will leave to-morrow night for Ahouset and on the 10th for Quastino. On the 20th she will make the long run to Cape Scott and her schedule will then be reduced to three trips a month, on the 1st to Ahouset; on the 10th to Quastino and on the 20th to Cape Scott.

—Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Stanley Burton, a clerk in the Bank of Montreal, committed suicide this morning in an empty house near Overhead Bridge. He has suffered from an affection of the ear which drove him temporarily insane.

—The marriage took place yesterday at "Thurms" Oak Bay avenue, of Mr. J. Macrae, of Cedar Hill, to Miss Marry Victoria Jameson. The bride is the third daughter of Mr. R. H. Jameson, of Oak Bay avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, assisted by Rev. Joseph McCoy.

—Dr. A. O. McRae supported the groom, while Miss Morgan, Jameson sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Macrae left for the mainland on this morning's boat for their honeymoon. They will reside at Cedar Hill on their return.

—Next Tuesday, December 10th, the annual meeting of subscribers to the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home will be held in the city hall at 4 o'clock.

U. S. CRUISER VISITED PORT

CALIFORNIAN ON WAY TO JOIN SQUADRON

The Visiting War Vessel Anchored Off the Outer Wharf Yesterday Afternoon.

The unusual spectacle of a big United States cruiser lying off the outer wharf was presented to Victorians yesterday afternoon, their attention being drawn to the warship's presence by the firing of a salute from her guns shortly before 4 o'clock.

The cruiser was the California, Capt. Catter, which is on her way from Bremerton to Magdalena Bay to join the A division of the Pacific squadron, under Rear Admiral Sebro. The cruiser will call at Santa Barbara on her way south, and will participate in the general firing practice of the fleet in Magdalena Bay. She left at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Lying at anchor off the port the California presented a fine picture. She is 12,680 tons displacement and was built at San Francisco at a cost of \$3,800,000, being completed last year. She is 502 feet long, 68 1/2 feet beam, and has a depth of 24 1/2 feet. Her engines have an indicated horse power of 23,000 and her speed is given in the U. S. navy list as 22 knots. The California belongs to the A. C. class of United States armored cruisers and has four funnels and two masts, fitted with fighting tops. Her main armament consists of 4 eight-inch guns and four 6-inch guns. Her secondary armament are as follows: 18 three-inch guns, 12 three-pounders, 4 one-pounders, 2 maxims and 6 automatic Colts.

The remains of the California came ashore in their plance yesterday afternoon and visited friends in the city. Several registered at the American Consulate. The Victoria wireless station at Fort St. James picked up the California yesterday, and Supt. E. J. Haughton exchanged messages with the warship. The cruiser is equipped with the same apparatus as the Dominion government stations.

After one of the stormiest trips she has ever made, the steamship Tees, Capt. Townsend, reached port this afternoon from Cape Scott and way ports. From the Tees left the straits on her trip north heavy south-easterly gales were encountered, and at Kyquott the vessel was forced to shelter for 36 hours. Cape Scott was reached on the morning of the 23th. The steamship left on the following morning and ran into a terrific south-easterly gale, which forced her to run for shelter in Friendly Cove, where she lay at anchor for 24 hours, while the weather moderated.

The Tees reached Clayquot on Tuesday morning and was again delayed owing to the heavy wind. At Sechart a further delay of 18 hours was necessitated. Leaving Bamfield at midnight the Tees made a good passage to port, without encountering a lick of wind. The first shipment from the Sidney Inlet mine, consisting of 25 tons of high-grade ore, was brought down and unloaded here. The remainder of the cargo was a consignment of 300 cases of salmon from the Alberni Packing Company's cannery. Forty passengers were carried.

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MRS. HUMBER DIED THIS MORNING

Well Known Lady Passed Away-- Was Widely Known for Philanthropic Work.

The death occurred this morning of Mrs. Maria Matilda Humber, relict of the late Maurice Humber, of this city. She died at the residence of her son, Dr. A. Humber, Rockland avenue. The deceased was one of the early settlers in Victoria and was well known here. She had been ill for some weeks, but the end came unexpectedly.

Deceased had been very active in philanthropic work in the city, and had been a member of the Methodist church on Pandora street and later of the Centennial Methodist church. She was also one of the first members of the committee of management of the W. C. T. U. Refuge Home, and received a member ship in the time of her death. She further had taken an active interest in temperance work in the city and for years with the assistance of her daughter, she had charge of the Band of Hope in connection with the Methodist church.

The late Mrs. Humber was aged 68 years, a native of Montreal. She was a faithful wife and mother, and a true friend, and was always ready to give her assistance to any laudable object, having for its aim the betterment of her fellow human beings. In cases of sickness or want she was ever ready to aid and to give sympathy, and will be remembered by many whom she helped from time to time.

ARION CLUB GAVE EXCELLENT CONCERT Local Singers Pleased Audience-- Miss Baker and F. J. Armstrong Acquired Themselves Well

Those who attended the Arion Club concert last night were delighted with the entertainment provided for them. The lady vocalist, Miss Suzanne Baker, gave perhaps the most pleasure to her hearers, her fine full contralto showing equally well whether in parts grave or gay. Her first encore was a very fine piece of singing, while the second song showed to good effect her great command of voice. For this she received a double encore, and gave a dainty little song in response. The club did well to bring her here, as local singers have something to learn from her vocalization and expression.

Of the violin solos by F. J. Armstrong it is impossible to speak too highly. This young artist has just returned from taking a four years' course in Germany, where he studied at the conservatory of Music, and was also a private pupil of Hans Becker. It might also be mentioned that while there he took a thorough course in the art of teaching. His technique is splendid and he has imbibed from his German teachers much that can never be obtained in the New World. His playing was clear, full and appealing. Every year will now widen his experience in life, and this only will give that necessary abandon which is necessary to the making of a great master. Victorians should be proud of the young musician who made his debut here last night, and they will hear with pleasure the fact that he is intending to make Victoria his future home, and his living here by teaching his art.

The choruses were good. The two numbers with the accompanying solos were perhaps not quite up to the average of the other work produced by the club, and Fawcett and Hiramson did not seem to have received sufficient preparation, although the solo in the last mentioned by Ronald Grant was exceedingly good. Mr. Grant sang so loudly in his proving, and last night his voice showed much better; timbre than on any of his former public appearances.

The sounding board arrangement was a great improvement so far as the acoustic properties of the hall are concerned, but it should not be of much benefit to a large chorus.

BACK FROM EAST. Rev. John Antle Has Returned From a Trip Made in the Interest of the Columbia Mission.

Rev. John Antle, associated with the mission which a few years ago undertook the establishment of a hospital service to the loggers of the Pacific Coast has just returned from a visit to Eastern Canada. There is perhaps only one other work prosecuted by a religious sect in Canada which possesses the essential merit of that in which Mr. Antle is engaged, and that is the enterprise of Mr. Grenfell on the Labrador Coast.

The Grenfell work essays to reach the fishermen of Labrador; the work of the Columbia mission on this Coast is designed to alleviate the physical distress occasioned by accident or sickness among the loggers of the Canadian Pacific Coast. Rev. Mr. Antle has been engaged in soliciting support for the Columbia mission in Eastern Canada, and so far his work has not been altogether unsuccessful.

This much at least has been determined, the hospital ship Columbia will be continued in the good work, notwithstanding the closing of some of the logging camps during the present winter. There are thousands of loggers on this Coast who are willing to attest to the good work done by the hospital ship, and anybody acquainted with the conditions which this service was inaugurated when injured loggers lay for days in suffering awaiting transmission to the hospitals of Vancouver and Victoria, will be willing to wish continued success to this great Christian undertaking.

UNION PACIFIC HOLDINGS. New York, Dec. 3.—The Journal of Commerce says this morning: "A statement published yesterday that the plan for a separate holding company of the Union Pacific holdings of securities had been abandoned, and that the Delaware and Hudson, with its broad charter, was to be used, will be resisted by the company merely in an advisory capacity. It will engage in the shipping business here."

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IS VERY HOPEFUL OF MEXICAN TRADE THE EXPENDITURES ON EXHIBITION W. E. P. Worsnop Speaks of Opportunities for Developing Business With the South Accounts Presented at Meeting of the Council--Ald. Fullerton Wants to Investigate

W. E. P. Worsnop, consul for the U. S. Mexico, while in New Westminster superintending the loading of the Mexican liner Londale, at the British Columbia and the Mexican republic.

Mr. Worsnop speaks in glowing terms of Mexico, and the vast resources of that country both in minerals and fruit, and the large and lucrative trade which could be carried on between the county he represents and this province. If the matter is properly worked up, and adequate steam-transportation and cold storage is provided for fruit, he also is of the opinion that there is a splendid opportunity that may be developed in the line of lumber, and considered that the time was most opportune for forwarding trade relations between the two countries. Up to the present Mexican business relations have mostly been with the United States, which owing to the geographical situation, are in a position to take advantage of the trade, much of which is transacted through California. Since the earthquake in Prisco, however, business has practically been at a standstill and in the consul's opinion, British Columbia should make the most of the opportunity.

In speaking of the new Mexican liners, the Georgia and Londale, Mr. Worsnop stated that this was only the commencement of a line of business which was bound to develop largely in the near future. Both vessels have been taken to Mexico large consignments of railroad ties, and box shooks, commodities which are in big demand, over 30 different lines of railroads being either in operation, or under construction. The box shooks, which are boxes in the knocked down state, also find a good market, being extensively used in the large and growing soap and sugar packing industries of that country. Mr. Worsnop stated yesterday that the British Columbia boxes and ties were eagerly sought after in Mexico, the boxes especially being a comparatively new export from this country. It was agreed to and the reports were ordered to be furnished to the Aldermen.

At last night's meeting of the city council the statement relative to the expenditure on capital account at the exhibition grounds was presented. It was as follows: Expended by City Engineer. Race track fence, \$2,484.16. Ball grounds, 364.45. Total, \$2,848.61. Expended by Mr. Northcott on Orders from Mr. Smart. Fence, new grounds, \$1,677.00. Race track fence, 224.40. Outside fence, 98.28. Gateway, 72.21. Stables, new ground, 420.12. Judges' stand, 232.25. Racing stables, 248.20. Add. to grand stand, 232.61. Stables in old grounds, 344.29. Total, \$3,347.88.

Grand total, \$6,196.49. Mr. Smart has overpaid the sum of \$2.50. JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor. City Hall, 29th November, 1907.

Ald. Fullerton wanted to know if the work was done under the control of the city officials. He had understood that work was done by foreman, appointed by the Agricultural Society. He would like to have the report typewritten and each alderman furnished with a copy. He was going to find out some more about this. Ald. Henderson said the work was done under the supervision of city officials. Ald. Fell wanted the copies of the original accounts furnished by Secretary Smart, of the Agricultural Society, also included. This was agreed to and the reports were ordered to be furnished to the Aldermen.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK IN PORTUGAL

STATE OF SEETHING UNREST PREVAILS

Conditions Aggravated by Dictatorship--Violence Might Precipitate Revolution.

Lisbon, Dec. 3.—Bernardino Machado, who is regarded as the inevitable choice of the Republicans in the event of a change of regime in Portugal, declared to-day that the tranquility of the country was superficial rather than real, and that instead of being indifferent to the political struggle now in progress, the masses are profoundly moved by what is happening.

"The establishment of a dictatorship," he said, "has aroused the deepest resentment everywhere, and the people, who are accustomed to a liberal monarchy, are indignant at what they consider to be a restoration of absolutism. As King Charles openly supports Premier Franco, the royal prerogative has suffered correspondingly. The present strain cannot long be maintained. Any violent incident, with its necessary repression, might precipitate the gravest events."

Senor Machado considers the force at the disposal of the government, consisting of an army of 12,000 men and a municipal guard of 1,500, to be utterly inadequate to cope with any real popular movement, even if the soldiers were disposed to coerce the people. This Senor Machado regards as more than doubtful.

He declared further that many of the Republicans were favorable to meeting force with force. They possessed not only arms, but bombs. This was evidenced, he said, by the recent disasters. Senor Machado said also that it was a mistake to imagine that the Republicans of Portugal and Spain were acting together. They naturally are in sympathy with each other, but the history and traditions of the two people were so different that an amalgamated republic on the peninsula was unthinkable.

IN COUNTY COURT.

Case Heard Before Judge Lampman To-Day--Yesterday's Judgment.

The case of Siddall vs. Lampshire—a claim for commission on a sale of real estate—is being heard before Judge Lampman in the county court to-day.

Judgment was reserved in the county court yesterday in a suit for \$20,000, brought by Fred Blair against the Britannia Smelting Company. The point at issue was whether the plaintiff was entitled to wages during a five days' absence from his work, on an employment agreement that he was not to get overtime, as foreman of the sampling mill, but straight time.

BIG TIMBER DEAL.

Alert Bay Lands Purchased by Senator Cox and John Charlton.

Vancouver, Dec. 3.—Kinman and Brophy have sold their large tract of Alert Bay timber lands to Senator Cox and John Charlton for two hundred thousand dollars. Peter Ryan was agent in the transaction.

PAINT SHOP IS PREY OF FLAMES

Buffalo Blaze Does Damage to Tune of \$400,000--Twenty One Pullmans Destroyed

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The Pullman Company's big paint shop here was burned to the ground in less than an hour to-night. Twenty-one Pullman cars were destroyed. The total loss will be about \$400,000.

The shop was a brick building, 400 feet long, and had a capacity for 27 cars. In it were stored large quantities of paints and oils, which made a fierce fire. Adjoining buildings were saved by the hard work of the firemen, although they caught fire several times.

The flames are supposed to have started from an electric wire in that part of the building known as Stall Number 76. About 250 men are thrown out of work. The cars burned were practically new.

DERELICT AIRSHIP.

La Patrie Flying From France Was Sighted Passing Over Scotland.

Glasgow, Dec. 3.—Telegrams received here declare that the French military balloon La Patrie, which accidentally got away from Verdun, France, last Saturday passed over Clyde Bank, Dumbarnton, Scotland, this afternoon, going in a northwesterly direction. La Patrie was last reported over Northeastern Ireland on Sunday afternoon. There is no one on board her.

DRINK, THEN SUICIDE.

Fort Frances, Ont., Dec. 3.—At noon yesterday W. McIntosh, who had been in a drunken state for the past few days, committed suicide by shooting himself through the mouth, the bullet penetrating the brain. The deed was done in Mercer's saloon, Inver Falls. McIntosh was a bachelor, his homestead being situated about four miles from the falls.

GOLD TIDE STILL FLOWING.

New York, Dec. 3.—The Kron Prinz was accidentally shot through the body this morning by a companion while hunting rabbits and died this afternoon.

CHINA FOR THE CHINESE.

"Rights of Recovery" Movement Grows Daily in Celestial Empire.

Pekin, Dec. 2.—The position of Yuan Shih Kai, who is the only member of the government committed to the maintenance of the integrity of the Chinese concession agreement with foreigners, is to-day one of dangerous isolation. He has adopted a strong attitude against the movement in favor of executing the rights of recovery, and he is looking to foreign powers for support and safety.

Nothing can be expected from the government, as it is unable to recede from the concessions granted to Englishmen in Ching Kiang province, on account of the pressure being exerted by Great Britain, and as it is unable to coerce the people, who are rapidly approaching a condition of threatened rebellion.

The throne has been bombarded by memorials from all parts of the Empire, which question the validity of all concessions, and the "Rights of Recovery" movement, particularly Ching Kiang province, is assuming the appearance of warfare for state rights.

CITY OF FIRES.

Fire Again Visits Winnipeg and Does Considerable Damage.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—The plants of the Jackson Engraving Company and the G. P. Dolsen Printing Company, on Hargrave street, near the corner of Cumberland street, were badly damaged by fire which broke out this morning. The block, which was recently completed, cost \$20,000. The Jackson Engraving Company's plant cost \$15,000, and they carried stock to about the same value. Their insurance is in the neighborhood of \$38,000 on the building, stock and plant.

The G. P. Dolsen company will not be as heavy losers, Mr. Boyd, manager of the plant, stating that his loss would be about \$1,000 on paper and general stock.

FOUR RAILROAD MEN DROWNED.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 3.—A telephone message from Mount Pleasant, Ga., says Geo. Mooney and A. Jelliffe of Atlanta, John Horn and W. G. Hunt, of Savannah, all railroad men, were drowned to-day by the capsizing of a boat while fishing.

IS YOUR WIFE BAD TEMPERED?

Chances are she has corns that ache like fury. Buy her Putnam's Corn Extractor. It acts painlessly, gives instant relief, and cures every old kind of corn. Insist on getting only "Putnam's."

RUSHING WORK ON THE NEW RAILWAY

Vast Army Are Finding Employment on the G. P. T. and Government Sections.

Collingwood Schreiber, C. M. G., chief engineer of the Transcontinental railway, has received notification that the men working on the Grand Trunk Pacific near Saskatoon have been moved on toward Edmonton in order to rush construction on the road to the new bridge over the North Saskatchewan river.

Work on the various sections of the National Transcontinental railway will be pushed vigorously during the coming winter, and staffs will be continuously employed. It is estimated that about 18,000 men are at work on this line between Winnipeg and Montreal, at wages of from \$2 to \$2.25 per day for unskilled labor, and from \$2.75 to \$3 per day for experienced men. The monthly pay roll on these sections alone is at present about \$1,000,000. On the sections of the Grand Trunk Pacific west of Winnipeg about 20,000 men are employed. About 125 miles of the road, from Portage la Proude to Minot, Minn., has been completed for traffic, and an additional 100 miles will soon be ready. The cost of the prairie sections, owing to the increase in wages and the enhanced price of supplies, is estimated at between \$28,000 and \$24,000 per mile, though originally estimated to cost about \$18,000 per mile. On the line between Saskatoon and Edmonton, Alta., the grading is being pushed and the greater part of the distance is ready for the ties.

DISCUSS MONEY QUESTION.

Financiers of Philadelphia Suggest Devices to Prevent Crisis.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—The financial situation in its varying phases was discussed here to-night by speakers of national prominence, before the American Academy of Political and Social Science. The speakers discussed "the lessons of the financial crisis" the speakers including: F. A. Vanderlip, vice-president of the National City Bank, New York; Wm. B. Hedgesley, controller of the currency; Chas. H. Treat, United States treasurer; J. H. Schiff, of Kuhn, Loeb & Company, New York, and others.

Vanderlip said: "Some people attribute the trouble to policies of the President of the United States, while others find the cause in the gambling of Wall street. The Boer war and the Russo-Japanese war necessarily caused the destruction of much wealth. Following these wars there was unprecedented worldwide activity and insufficient capital."

J. H. Schiff, of New York, attributed the present trouble mainly to too great expansion of enterprises and heavy borrowing, resulting in the straining of financial requirements, and particularly of credit, beyond legitimate limits. He foresaw seriously possible danger in a law which would provide for an almost unlimited issue of asset currency, and declared that the issuance of any such circulating medium based upon assets should be governed by some central authority, whether it be a central bank or a central association of national banks. He favored the central association of national banks as against the central bank, and declared that the present situation the country is not prepared to meet such a far-reaching plan, which he said would tend to nationalize the entire national banking system.

BLACKMAIL SCHEME IS UNEARTHED

DOMINION POLICE ARREST OTTAWAN

John R. Labatt Said to Have Employed Various Machinations to Extort Money.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—The sensational arrest of John R. Labatt, Ottawa manager for the Labatt Brewing Co., of London, Ont., is evidently the beginning of a serious charge of blackmail against a hitherto respectable business man. Little will develop until he appears at Saturday's police court, but it is alleged that his schemes were cleverly concocted and carefully worked out, except in the case of Hon. H. R. Emmerson, where he used the mails direct. The arrest was effected through the combined efforts of the Dominion secret service and the Tiel agency, the superintendent of the latter apartment, T. R. Carrington, coming to Ottawa in connection with the affair.

On July 18th, 1907, Hon. Mr. Emmerson received a letter, written, it is charged, by Labatt under an assumed name, demanding the sum of \$1,500 upon pain of exposure of certain alleged facts. The letter was put into the hands of detectives, and for months the work has been quietly prosecuted. One scheme employed by Labatt was finally responsible for his detention. Labatt was in the habit of requesting his victims to deposit the money to his credit at some outside bank, giving, of course, an assumed name. He then would write the bank in question asking the manager to forward him the deposit book, at the same time sending a letter to the bank, signed by the victim, "tipped off" the detectives, and a watch was kept on the Hull office. Several times a boy called, but the package, it is said, however, that he successfully worked other cases more cleverly. He wrote letters requesting sums of money to be placed in Ottawa banks, and the bank was notified, and asking that a personal advertisement be put in the local papers stating where it was. He sent to a Toronto hotel a wire with instructions to despatch to the bank mentioned, asking if they had received the deposit. He then wired the Toronto hotel to return the answer to an Ottawa hotel.

Labatt then called the Ottawa hotel up on some phone, asking if a message had been received by wire for the name he had taken. If it had been he asked that it be opened and read to him. Having learned the contents of the message, he vanished without having appeared personally in the transaction, as it was unsafe. If his scheme had worked well, he knew that the money was clear to deposit through the mails by a means of transfer to an outside bank.

The whole story, when told, will reflect credit on the work of the Dominion police.

FINANCIAL CRISIS STILL EVIDENT

Michigan Bank Closes Its Doors-- Holds Large Amount of State Funds.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 2.—In order to avoid a threatened run on the bank to-morrow, and to afford all depositors and creditors an equal chance in the settlement of the bank's affairs, State Commissioner Zimmerman to-day announced that the Chelsea savings bank would not open for business to-morrow. The president of the bank is State Treasurer Frank H. Glasier, who has deposited in the bank approximately \$864,000 of the funds of the state of Michigan.

Attorney General Bird said to-night that the state is protected by the state treasurer's bond of \$150,000 and the bank's bond of \$200,000 so that the state would not suffer any loss unless the assets of the bank should fall to pay fifty cents on the dollar, which is considered altogether improbable.

The announcement that the bank will not open came at the close of a conference here late to-day between Governor Warner, Banking Commissioner Zimmerman, Attorney General Bird and representatives of Detroit banking concerns. The bank is capitalized at \$100,000 and has a surplus of about \$100,000.

FATALITIES FROM DIARRHOEA

Could often be avoided if Nerviline were used promptly. It is prepared especially for stomach and bowel troubles—acts swiftly and thoroughly—relief is immediate and the cure permanent. Doctors say no prescription could possibly be more efficient than Nerviline, which is a protection against cramps, colic, pain or gas in the stomach. For nearly fifty years all druggists have sold Nerviline in large 25c bottles.

GIFT TO PETERBORO.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 3.—The city was to-day presented with the deed of a fine building on Simcoe street, to be used as a school. The gift was made through Richard Hall, trustee for the estate of the late Mrs. Charlotte Nichols. The building is three stories high and is valued at \$20,000.

HEARING IS IMPROVED.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—Hon. A. B. Aylesworth writes saying he will be back in Ottawa attending parliament shortly. His hearing is greatly improved.

"A HAIR OF THE DOG--"

Wines Are Suggested in All Solemnness as Incentive to Temperance.

New York, Dec. 3.—An interesting alignment of forces in the fight for temperance may develop from a resolution passed to-day by the American Wine Growers' Association, now in session here, inviting the co-operation of temperance organizations and societies in seconding its efforts toward providing wine licenses, separate from the general liquor licenses, which, the growers state, is a right step in the temperance movement.

The resolution states that the use of light wines at meals will do more for temperance than all the no-licence and prohibition laws yet passed. The members of the association further pledged themselves to guard and maintain the purity and quality of their wine.

Lee J. Vance, of New York, secretary of the association, declared that the cause of temperance had been advanced in those countries where wine was used as a beverage.

VICTIM OF WELL ACCIDENT.

South Battleford, Sask., Dec. 3.—Walter S. Taylor died yesterday in the Battleford hospital from injuries received on Saturday evening on the farm of Henry Simpson in the Eagle Hills district, eight miles from here. The young man was engaged in boring in a well, and while he was being lowered into the well by the derrick to make some connection with the rods, the derrick broke and young Taylor fell a distance of over sixty feet.

Both ankles were badly broken, also one thigh, and the shock was so great that he died this morning. The young man was only nineteen years of age, and resided at the home of his father, Henry Taylor, near the scene of the accident.

PREPARED FOR THE DROUGHT AUSTRALIA WILL NOT SUFFER AS IN PAST

ames Nicholson Says That Irrigation Undertakings Have Been Instigated in That Country.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) James Nicholson, of Melbourne, Australia, who has just completed a tour of the world by visiting Victoria, left for the Mainland last night. He will sail for home on the S.S. Aorangi on the 6th inst.

In reviewing his travels to a reporter last evening, Mr. Nicholson confessed that he will not visit the country again; that is, the effects of such an experience will not be felt so seriously as before. The government has profited by the lessons of the last irrigation, and assurances against disaster are found in the irrigation works since introduced. Half a million dollars were expended during the past year extending the irrigation works.

Generally described the waters of the Murray and other large rivers have been harnessed so that they may be used. Immense dams have been constructed so as to store millions of gallons of water which hitherto have been going to waste. From these dams canals have been cut, and the system of canals now extends for hundreds of miles over the arid plains. And here and there subsidiary reservoirs have been built for the purposes of watering the stock.

The gold deposits of Australia are not yet exhausted. Last year the yield was as great, or almost as great, as in any previous period. Quartz mining has supplanted the placer operations to a very large extent. In the Bendigo district there are shafts which are down 3,000 feet, and they are producing magnificently.

Mr. Nicholson says that there is a movement afoot to introduce the dredging method to the gold bearing gravels of the country. Many of the creeks and gulches, like those of British Columbia, whilst they have passed the stage where they can be profitably worked by hand, are rich in gold, and he thinks the near future will witness the inauguration of an extensive gold dredging industry. In New Zealand dredging has been followed successfully for some years.

THROWN FROM TRAIN.

Plum Coulee, Man., Dec. 3.—The dead body of an infant was found near the track west of Lashalle station by the section men. The body was taken to Lashalle, where it was buried. The child was found wrapped in an old trouser leg, and it would appear as if it was thrown from the train.

ONTARIO'S SUBSIDY.

Toronto, Dec. 3.—Provincial Treasurer Thomson has received the cheque from the Dominion government for \$384,742.40 as the first payment of the provincial subsidy under the new act. The total subsidy Ontario will receive is \$2,177,882.88, as compared with \$1,489,287.26 previously.

WAR VISITS RUSSIAN DOUMA AMERICANS ONLY POLICY PEACE OF ALL NATIONS

War Secretary Says His World Tour Is Not of Diplomatic Character.

'St. Petersburg, Dec. 3.—Secretary Taft and the members of his suite visited the Douma late in the forenoon. Baron Ostenschen met the party at the portico of the Tauride palace, and conducted them to one of the imperial boxes directly opposite the speaker. Premier Stolypin, Minister of War Rudiger and other members of the cabinet, were in their usual places. Several diplomatists who formerly had been stationed at Washington, entered the box to pay their respects to the secretary.

Sir Donald Mackenzie Wallace, the author, who opportunely was present in the palace, joined Secretary Taft's party and acted as interpreter for the speaker. He pointed out the leading members of the Douma. Secretary Taft was impressed with the spaciousness and magnificence of the chamber, which was brilliantly illuminated.

During Mr. Taft's stay, several speeches were made, but nothing of particular importance occurred. The news of Secretary Taft's presence spread until finally the attention of everybody in the house was centered on the imperial box. The secretary and his party stayed for half an hour, and then took their departure.

W. E. KNAPP DIED LAST EVENING

Wife Reached Bedside Before He Passed Away--Body Will be Taken East.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Waldo E. Knapp, the representative in this province of the Red Cliff Lumber Company of Duluth, died last evening at the Jubilee hospital. Last Thursday evening the deceased accidentally discharged his revolver while shifting its position, the bullet entering his leg about the knee. The weapon was a large one which Mr. Knapp was accustomed to carry in the woods, and the wound inflicted was regarded as rather serious. The bullet was later recovered, and the patient, who was in excellent health and of a strong constitution, made satisfactory progress.

On Sunday evening his condition was regarded as satisfactory, but on Monday evidences of gangrene in the extremity of the leg developed. This finally resulted in his death last evening about 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Knapp, who started from Duluth within ten minutes of getting the news of the accident, was delayed by the failure of trains to connect, and reached Seattle Monday night. With no steamer from there until the morning, it was not until yesterday afternoon that she got to Victoria. She was taken at once to the hospital, where her husband was still conscious and able to converse with her. With the determination that he was always evident in connection with the man, he spoke to her of a speedy recovery and a trip home. A little later he sank into unconsciousness and passed away about 6 o'clock.

The body has been removed to the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, where it has been prepared for forwarding to his home in Vermont. This evening at 8 o'clock a service will be held at the parlors of the Funeral Company and the body will be sent to-morrow morning to Seattle.

The deceased had a number of acquaintances in Victoria. For about eight months he has made his headquarters in the city, although spending a very considerable part of the time in the woods at Alberni, where immense limits were secured by his company. He was 48 years of age. He was born in New York state, but early in life removed to Vermont state. Mrs. Knapp is the daughter of Senator Gray, of Poulney, Vermont, and it will be taken for interment. Mr. Knapp's father died about 12 years ago, but his mother is still alive and lived with him in Duluth.

Two sons survive him, one of whom is 16 years of age, and is attending the military academy at Montpelier, Vermont. The other son is in school in Duluth. The deceased was a member of the Masonic Order.

Mr. Knapp was brought up to the profession of a civil engineer. For a long time he has been connected with the Red Cliff Company at Duluth and when it was decided to invade British Columbia he was selected as the representative of the company in this province.

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NATURAL CAUSES. Coroner's Jury Found Nothing Unusual in the Death of James Currie.

ALLIANCE IS SAFE. Tug Tatosoh Sights Damaged Steamship and Reports All Well.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT. Guelph, Dec. 3.—Cecil Savage, the 15-year-old son of J. Savage, of Gourock, was accidentally shot through the body this morning by a companion while hunting rabbits and died this afternoon.

CANADA-MEXICO TRADE RELATIONS

A. W. DONLY ADDRESSED BOARD OF

Attention to Business With Great Commerce Between and Southern Republics

Before a gathering of representatives of business men and members of the board of trade, A. W. Donly, Canadian agent for Mexico, yesterday afternoon delivered a terse and instructive address on Mexico and its commercial and industrial relations to this country.

Mr. Donly emphasized the need of understanding the southern republics, their people, and their customs, as the main foundations for successful trade relations, and in unmistakable language, expressed optimism in the recent opening of commercial relations between Canada and the country in which he resided.

The address was given in the board of trade rooms. Mr. Donly being introduced by President Paulsen, a few words, explained the trade mission.

Mr. Donly said that he would like to see the trade mission succeed. He had found that the present idea of Mexico as a nation was a very bad one, especially in respect to its commercial relations with Canada. He said that the population of Mexico was twice that of Canada, and that the population of the United States was only one-third that of Mexico.

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The fiscal year just passed, was a good illustration of the amount of foreign trade that was done with that buying class, as in that time, the total foreign trade of the republic was \$300,000,000...

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HOW BURNS BEAT GUNNER MOIR

CANADIAN SUPERIOR IN EVERY DETAIL

Terrific Punishment Meted to the Englishman Who Was Counted Out in Tenth Round.

London, Dec. 2.—Noah Brusso, commonly known as Tommy Burns, of Canada, knocked out Gunner Moir, of England, in the tenth round of their bout for the world's heavyweight championship...

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Grand total \$31,700. Then besides this must be counted in Burns' wealth earnings from an opera house he is interested in and other savings, bring his savings up to \$60,000.

To Sporting Editor: Dear Sir:—Quite a controversy has appeared in the "Tommy Burns" the publicist who has just won the title of world's champion in the fighting line...

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CITY GARBAGE GIVES TROUBLE

COMPLAINTS COME IN FROM ALL QUARTERS

Ald. Hanna's Proposal to Do Scavenging by Municipality Rejected

The question of disposing of the garbage of the city is still a vexed one. Complaints are coming from all quarters now, and are not confined to the James Bay flats alone...

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It was decided to separate the two offices of auditor and water commissioner, Mr. Raymur retaining the latter office.

It was further decided to recommend the principle of the separation of the revenues for water purposes, and the general revenues to the incoming council.

ENGLISH PRESS ON BURNS' VICTORY

Best of Boxing Champion Was Not Seen—Moir Could Not Extend Himself.

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"Then you didn't get my letter?"

I answered her question by another. "I haven't had a letter from a human soul for a fortnight. Gave orders not to have any forwarded. I've been dissatisfied, my girl. Went on the Continent for the first time in my life. To tell the truth, my idea was to see the eye-doctor in Wiesbaden that everybody goes to. I had a scare about my sight, but he laughed at me, and told me I wanted stronger spectacles. I bought them, and I made the mistake of forgetting I was growing old. In my relief I was inclined to remain on the Continent for some time. I did remain, and I think shall occasionally repeat the experiment. I wish you had been with me. Are you and Lady Southonsiba, or whatever her name is, visiting in these parts, or are you free to come with me to London?"

"Lady Sophie de Gretton and I have parted," I exclaimed, vividly blushing. "I'm lodging in a fisherman's cottage at present. In future I'm to be secretary to a gentleman at Arrish Hall. At the moment I am free to go anywhere you are willing to take me."

"Then get in and tell the coachman to drive on," directed Miss Smith.

By the time we had reached the house on Miss Smith's street, I had been making her entirely into my confidence, told my companion with what hopes I had come, when I found myself in need of a friend, Dorsetshire, and she said, "And you did quite right, too. It's my boast that I'm a woman of my word," she had just responded as the door was thrown open by the superior maid who had pulverized my vanity during my former call.

Her face when she beheld me entering the house in familiar converse with Miss Smith, who was sitting at the table, looked somewhat alarmed; but she did not take out of school, and she was safe with her mistress so far as I was concerned.

On Miss Smith's desk, in a room ambiguously named "the study," reposed my letter among numerous others; and when the spinster had greeted her money and my own of other pets, she insisted on reading it as a sort of preface to my explanations.

"Can't you get out of going to this house, Raynor, and come to me instead?" she asked abruptly.

"I'm afraid not," I said. "It wouldn't be very honorable, would it? You see, it is my fault that he has told other people his arrangements are already made, and if I were to back out of the agreement now I might cause him a great deal of trouble, poor old man! Though there isn't any written contract between the whole affair has been conducted on both sides in a very unbusinesslike way, I feel bound in honor."

"I suppose you'll have to carry out your bargain, then," sighed Miss Smith. "And you're right, no doubt. Only it is rather trying that I should have come home just too late. I told you in London that I was going, and I tell you so again in Dorsetshire, and I would please me very much to have your face where I could look at it whenever I wanted to. It was on the point of giving you an invitation to come here and stop with me as long as you chose, that day at my sister-in-law's, when in sailed Lady Sophonsiba and she snatched you away from me. Now it's this Raynor man's goodness-knows-what—who has taken that old ghost-trap, Arrish Hall. You're not superstitious, evidently, my dear, you wouldn't be afraid of a living there—as an Irishman would say."

"No, I'm not superstitious," I returned. "Besides, beggars mustn't be choosers; though, of course, I should have been much happier if I could have stopped for a time with you."

"Well, I shouldn't have paid you eighty pounds a year, my child. I consider the money very good, but I don't know you, though it's an ill wind that blows nobody good; and I dare say you're pleased to get it."

"I don't mind it," I answered, though I did not confess my care so much, very much; and after all, I began to think that I had done well in answering that advertisement.

"Then come and see me every day if you can, when you are settled down at Arrish Hall," said Miss Smith, when, after luncheon, I was ready to depart. "I certainly can't go to you, or you will be putting it round that I was setting my cap at this old widower, or bachelor, or whatever he is. Good-by, and remember that if you don't like your place, there's another one open to you."

Mrs. Nye, while expressing herself as sorry to lose the "sweetest face she'd ever had inside her collar," congratulated me on my luck and helped me to pack. My luggage did not necessitate the expense of a cab—every shilling I was to go to get a lower class servant—but my good landlady would not permit that I should carry it. Thomas Nye should see to that, and glad he would be to do anything for Miss Burns. I could just go on by myself, with my hands crossed, and leave the rest to him.

There were tears in my eyes when I left the kind woman good-by; at last, though three miles or so not a very formidable distance; and I am not ashamed to tell that I kissed her.

I did not start until after I had had my supper—with an extra dish, and a few homemade cakes to put in my bag, as a present from Mrs. Nye—for I did not wish to arrive at Arrish Hall until after my employer had had his breakfast. My breakfast and luncheon were to be served to me alone in my own sitting room at my new home; but dinner was to be eaten in state, with the companionship of Mr. Raynor, and this ordeal had seemed too much for the first night of residence.

My first servant I had seen in the morning, but he was in a hurry, and I had found my way up through the shadows of the avenue to the old hall. Mr. Raynor had hoped to greet me, I was informed, but this severe attack of gout had driven him early to bed. The housekeeper would show me my rooms—I had not seen her before. I was informed, but a lamp of quaint old fashion had been lit, but the dim light it gave seemed only to render darkness more visible, to make the shadows crowd nearer from

the corners. The place looked as if it had lain under a ban.

"For the first time my thoughts dwelt upon the vague references made by Mrs. Nye and Miss Smith to the stories told about the house. It was said to be haunted, I knew, and to have stood tenanted for years. I began to wonder what the slight creepsiness running down my back, what there's nothing but that had kept Arrish Hall empty for so long.

CHAPTER XXIV.

The Story That the Housekeeper Told.

So deeply was I engrossed in thought that I believed myself to be still alone in the hall, when a voice spoke suddenly close to my ear.

"I turned, with a start and a suppressed exclamation, to see an elderly woman, whose alighted feet had made no noise in their approach.

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