





### FLEET DOOMED TO DESTRUCTION

#### JAPS CONTINUE TO SHELL RUSSIAN SHIPS

#### The Retvizan Is Slowly Sinking—The Pallada and Pobeda Are Apparently Badly Damaged.

London, Dec. 8.—A report from Tientsin states that the Japanese shell fire at Port Arthur sunk the Russian battleship Retvizan as well as the Poltava, and that the Retvizan was injured.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent before Port Arthur, cabling December 7th, says that the Russians ceased their attempts to recapture 203-Metre hill on December 6th. The report that the Emperor has decreed the dispatch of the third squadron to the East has no confirmation from any quarter.

In connection with the story from St. Petersburg regarding negotiations with Turkey for the purchase of Argentine and Chilean cruisers, a curious feature is the fact that the Ottoman embassy in London yesterday issued an official statement declaring that there was no foundation for rumors that Turkey was purchasing, or intended to purchase, Argentine men-of-war, but for her own use or for the use of any other power.

According to a St. Petersburg dispatch to the Daily Mail, the Emperor has decreed the dispatch of a third squadron to the Far East, comprising the battleship Paul I. and Slava, which will be completed as soon as possible, and five older battleships, five cruisers and forty torpedo boat destroyers. The whole squadron, the dispatch adds, is hoped, will be fitted out in two months. Probably it will be commanded by Vice-Admiral Dunbassoff or Vice-Admiral Choukinn.

NO CHANCE OF THE SHIPS MAKING A SORTIE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—2:30 a.m.—The news that the Japanese have mounted heavy guns on 203-Metre hill is regarded as seriously significant, and has created a deep impression at the war office.

If the reports of thinking of the Russian warships in the harbor of Port Arthur are confirmed, it is hoped that some of a sortie and when the end comes nothing remains but to sink those that remain in deep water to prevent them from falling into Japanese hands.

REPORTED SINKING OF JAP CRUISER.

Moscow, Nov. 6.—A dispatch from Vladivostok says that a steamer which has just arrived there from Shanghai reports that the Japanese armoured cruiser Adama had been blown up and sunk by a mine.

The cruiser is said to have been sunk north of the Matsushima islands. These islands block the Tsushima channel between the Kwangtung peninsula, on which Port Arthur is situated, and the Shantung promontory.

Tokio, Dec. 8.—11 a.m.—Imperial headquarters made the following announcement: "The result of the bombardment of Port Arthur by four large calibre guns on the 7th instant was very good. Many effective hits were made against the battleships Peresviet and Pobeda, and the protected cruiser Pallada. In consequence the Peresviet caught fire and at 3:15 o'clock the Pobeda listed to starboard."

The commander of the Japanese naval land batteries in front of Port Arthur, reporting on December 7th, says: "An observation balloon, launched today, December 7th, from 203-Metre hill, shows that the current ship Poltava lies sunk as reported on December 6th."

"The battleship Retvizan seems to have sunk, her stern being under water. The bombardment to-day, December 7th, has heavily damaged the battleship Pobeda, which is listing to starboard, and showing the western portion of her hull, which is painted red."

REPORTED SINKING OF THE PERESVET CONFIRMED.

Tokio, Dec. 8.—The commander of the naval land battery on 203-Metre hill at Port Arthur, reporting at 2:30 p.m. to-day, says:

"At 12:20 to-day it became certain that the battleship (battleship) had been sunk. She is in the same condition as the Poltava (battleship)."

"The Pallada (protected cruiser) is beginning to list to port. We are vigorously bombarding the Pallada."

"The battleship Pobeda's middle funnel is seriously damaged. The vessel is listing at and is submerged to the stern walk."

"The battleship Peresviet's upper deck is submerged. The battleship Retvizan is listing to starboard, and her upper deck is nearly submerged."

"The protected cruiser Pallada, which is lying between the Retvizan and the mine ship Amur, cannot be distinctly seen, but there seems to be a slight sinking action. The actual extent of the damage sustained by her is not yet known."

"The armored cruiser Bayan is now burning to her fore deck."

"The battleship Sevastopol appears to be lying in the east harbor alongside the great crane, but only the tops of her masts are visible. A hill completely hides her hull."

"The principal signal taken by the naval and military guns to-day are at the Pallada, Bayan and Sevastopol."

JAPS REPULSED IN RUSSIAN ATTACKS.

Tokio, Dec. 8.—The following dispatch has been received from Manchurian headquarters under yesterday's date: "At 2 o'clock in the morning of December 6th the enemy posted at Truchengyuan advanced toward Paotzu-yuan, which is near Shanchan. Our

watchers had temporarily been withdrawn, but with reinforcements we immediately recovered the position.

"At 2 and at 4 o'clock in the morning of December 6th, the enemy attacked our position east of Paotzu-yuan and Heliutan, which is near the Shakkie river. The attacks were entirely repulsed by sunrise."

#### THE BICYCLE RACE.

Caldwell-Hooper Team Out of the Contest—Keegan May Retire.

New York, Dec. 8.—It was announced to-day that the Caldwell-Hooper team was out of the six-day bicycle race for good, and that Keegan, the Lowell, Mass., man, was in such distress that he might be obliged to quit at any time. At the suggestion of the management, Caldwell's partner, Hooper, who was in fairly good shape, consented to take advantage of the four-hour rule under which, in the event of any of the other riders being obliged to give up within four hours, Hooper may pair with the surviving partner and continue in the race.

The night saw nothing in the way of exciting finishes.

At 8 o'clock the Vanderstuf-Stol and Rod-Dorton teams had raced 1,394 miles; the Gouloze-Breton, Busset-Mazan, Palmer-agras, Samouillon-Williams, Kagan and O'Connell teams had covered 1,393 miles, 9 laps; Krebs-Fogler and Downing-Limberg, 1,393 miles 8 laps; the Sulkin-Rockowitz pair 1,413 miles 5 laps. The record for the 82nd hour is 1,599 miles 3 laps.

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EXPLOSION IN MINE.

Disaster in Washington—Death Roll May Reach Fifteen.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 8.—A dispatch to the Ledger from Burnett, Wash., says: "Eleven miners have been killed by an explosion in the Burnett coal mine, and it is believed that the death list will reach fifteen."

Searching parties were immediately organized, and after working incessantly for about eight hours, eleven bodies were recovered. About four other miners are in the shaft, but it is deemed unsafe to continue the rescue work, and the effort was abandoned. Whether the explosion happened before or after the rescue parties were organized, it is believed that fire damp was responsible for the disaster."

BROUGHT TO TIME.

Action of Austria Has Had Desired Effect on the Porte.

Constantinople, Dec. 8.—The Porte has yielded to the Austrian demands, and the incident may be regarded as closed. Threatened complications have, therefore, been avoided.

The Austrian ultimatum demanded the dismissal of the director of customs, the chief of police of Soutari within three days, the withdrawal of Austrian troops from Salonica, and a settlement of all other pending questions, including official recognition of the action of the Serbs in living, practically they have been given up for lost. It is believed that fire damp was responsible for the disaster."

TRAGEDY IN INDIANA.

School Teacher Killed His Wife and Her Employer and Committed Suicide.

Rochester, Ind., Dec. 7.—A shocking tragedy was enacted four miles south of this city last evening when Wilson Burns, a school teacher, 50 years of age, murdered his wife and a man with whom his wife had sought refuge from his cruelty and for whom she was performing domestic service. An old lady was wounded by stray bullets, but not seriously.

Mrs. Burns refused to live with her husband several months ago, and after leaving him, took refuge at the farmhouse of Joseph Crispinich, an unmarried man who was living with his mother. Burns charged Crispinich with enticing his wife away and swore vengeance against them both, but he was drinking when the threats were made and little attention was paid to them.

Last at dark last evening Burns called at the Crispinich home and appealed his wife. She appeared at the door, and raising a shotgun which had been concealed behind a tree, fired at his wife and she fell dead in the doorway.

Crispinich was in the house, and hearing the shot, came out. Burns leveled the gun at him and the old man charged forward, breast and he died without a word.

Having completed his work, Burns walked to the home of his sister, two miles distant, and calmly told the details of the tragedy. Coking the gun, when he had finished the story, he set the bolt on the ground, placed his head directly over it and kicked the trigger with his right foot. The explosion carried away the top of his head, and he died without a groan.

DOCTOR'S DEATH.

Lost His Life While on His Way to Visit a Patient.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 6.—A special dispatch to the Telegram from Roseburg, Ore., tells of the peculiarly tragic death of Dr. R. H. Barber, of Gardiner, who was called upon Sunday night to attend a patient twenty miles distant. In responding Dr. Barber was obliged to cross Ten Mile creek and the Salsular river. It was pitch dark and Dr. Barber did not know that a horse had carried him over Ten Mile. Arriving at the house he dismounted and was falling across one mile of swift running deep water. On emerging from the other side of the river he was almost frozen, the night being a "fizz" one. Dazed and stiff the doctor dismounted and started to walk when he fell into a hole, striking upon some rocks below, where he lay stunned until the rising river drowned him and carried the body away. The remains were recovered on Monday.

TRAVELLED WITH DOG TEAM.

Three Miners Have Reached Valdes From Fairbanks.

Seattle, Dec. 7.—A dispatch from Valdes says that Geo. M. Hill, Peter Erdosson and Chas. W. Brum have arrived with 400 tons of supplies, having been driven from Fairbanks. They are the first arrivals over the winter route. They report the camp in excellent condition and supplies generally plentiful.

### MRS. CHADWICK HAS BEEN ARRESTED

#### WARRANT SERVED BY SECRET SERVICE AGENT

#### Charged With Aiding a Bank Official in Embezzling Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars.

New York, Dec. 7.—The climax in the affair of Mrs. Cassia L. Chadwick came to-night, when she was placed under arrest in her apartments charged with aiding and abetting a bank official in embezzling \$12,500. The arrest was made after a lengthy conference between United States Commissioner Shields, Assistant United States District Attorney E. E. Baldwin, Secret Service Agent Wm. J. Flynn and United States Marshal Wm. Henkel.

Commissioner Shields issued the warrant, which charges violation of a section of United States federal laws relating to conspiracy.

There was a scene in the woman's room when the officials announced to Mrs. Chadwick that she was under arrest. A maid opened the door, and when asked by Agent Flynn for Mrs. Chadwick, the woman appeared. Her son stood by and witnessed with the state and federal detectives following her. He stepped to his mother's side as she burst into tears, but said nothing.

Marshal Henkel, who, with his deputies and United States Secret Service Agent Flynn, grouped in the door of Mrs. Chadwick's apartments, had entered without knocking, found her in bed. He said: "Madame, I have an arrest warrant against you. You are obliged to serve a warrant for your arrest, issued by United States Commissioner Shields at the instigation of the federal agents of Ohio."

Mrs. Chadwick wept bitterly and nearly fainted. The maid became hysterical, but when she saw that her mistress was being taken to the station, she rendered such assistance to Mrs. Chadwick as was necessary.

No attempt will be made to move Mrs. Chadwick to the city jail, it is thought, but must go before Commissioner Shields in the morning. The secret service men engaged a room adjoining Mrs. Chadwick's state and federal detectives followed her to her room, where she was placed in the room of a maid, one outside her door and another in the corridor.

Andrew Squire, who came here yesterday from Cleveland with Ira Reynolds, secretary of the Wade Park Banking Company, had a half hour's conversation with Mrs. Chadwick, in which he said: "The arrest of Mrs. Chadwick does not in any way affect the holding we have of her securities, and it does not change the legal proceedings necessary in the further evolution of the case." He further said that he did not know the present whereabouts of Dr. Chadwick, who is believed to be in possession of the \$5,000,000 in securities belonging to Mrs. Chadwick.

The deputy marshals and secret service men, who are guarding Mrs. Chadwick, said that the name of Andrew Carnegie was mentioned several times, and that the sound of the name each time caused Mrs. Chadwick to weep.

The present arrangements are that Mrs. Chadwick will be taken to Commissioner Shields's office at 10 o'clock to-morrow, and it is expected that an application will be made to a United States Circuit court judge by the United States district attorney for a warrant of removal to Ohio.

It was learned to-day that Mrs. Chadwick obtained \$110,000 worth of jewelry on credit from Thomas Kirkpatrick, a jeweler of this city, and that the firm has made offers for several months to let this jewelry or its money equivalent back. Mrs. Chadwick paid part of the debt recently, and she and her obligation now amounts to about \$25,000. A representative of the firm said to-day that the firm's lawyers had been to Cleveland and requested some of the jewelry. Asked whether Mrs. Chadwick had used the names of either Mrs. John D. Rockefeller or Mrs. John Jacob Astor in securing credit, he said: "I did not pose as either Mrs. Rockefeller or Mrs. Astor. Whether she used these names I am not at liberty to present you."

Receiver Frank Lyon of the Citizens' National Bank of Oberlin, said to the Associated Press to-night that the arrest of Mrs. Chadwick merely came "in the natural course of events." He declined to say what effect the arrest would have on the affairs of the Citizens' National Bank, but would say whether the general and legitimate subjects is recognized in connection with the Oberlin institution. Mr. Lyon said he would study the case carefully to-night and might have something to say later.

New York, Dec. 8.—With the arrangement of Mrs. Chadwick to-day on a technical charge of aiding and abetting a bank official to misapply the funds of a national bank, the second stage in this remarkable case was begun. It seems almost impossible that these proceedings will ultimately result in clearing away the mystery in which the case has been shrouded. The strangest feature of the mystery has been the use of the name of Mr. Carnegie. What reason was offered to explain why Mr. Carnegie, who has an income of more than \$10,000,000 a year from his steel bonds alone, should be giving notes, has not been brought out.

Hearing Adjourned.

New York, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Chadwick took the United States marshal this morning that she was ready to go with him to the federal building, where her preliminary hearing is to be held. She was feeling better than last night, although she had been restless, and decided not to keep the officers waiting any longer than necessary. She was up early and the start from the hotel was made before 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Chadwick arrived at the federal building at 9:20 a.m. She was accompanied by her maid and by a United States marshal. She was taken immediately to the marshal's office. She seemed to be very much excited and very depressed.

Shortly after Mrs. Chadwick arrived at the federal building Attorney-Carpenter began her preliminary hearing, and a consultation with United States Commissioner Shields. At Mr. Carpenter's solicitation, when the hearing was over, a divorce proceeding, will come on.

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VICTORIA THEATRE CROWDED TO DOORS

Very Interesting Address Upon Tuberculosis Given by Dr. Woods

The concert given last evening in the Victoria theatre in aid of the fund for the maintaining of incipient consumption...

The concert was given in two parts, with a short address on Tuberculosis by Dr. Woods...

In the second part Mrs. Lamont sang "Ritornelle". She was accorded an encore, and the singing of the audience...

TRIVY COUNCIL WILL HEAR APPEALS

British Columbia Cases Have Been Allowed to Be Argued in London.

At a dispatch from London to the local December 8th, says: The Privy Council has granted special appeal in Attorney-General, B. C. Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway...

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

People United in Wellock at Christ Church Cathedral. On Friday night in Christ Church cathedral...

First Aid in the Home. For the home there is no other medicine so sure as Pond's...

SEEK GOVERNMENT AID FOR STEAMERS

WASHINGTON ASKED TO ASSIST LOCAL LINE

A Square Rigged Vessel Sighted off the Coast With Apparently One Mast Missing.

When it is remembered that the C. P. R. steamship Princess Beatrice does not receive a cent of subsidy on the Victoria and Seattle run...

LOST HIS VOICE.

A Case Which Proves How Deadly a Disease is Catarrh. After reading the following experience, it will be easy to see why every person with the catarrh taint should use Catarrhine.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE Y.M.C.A. CONVENTION

H. W. Northcott, Local Association Secretary, Gives Account of the Gathering at Bellingham.

H. W. Northcott, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, returned from Bellingham on Tuesday...

A PERSISTENT BACK ACHIE

Will Call Here. The giant steamship Minnesota, which has attracted the attention of the entire shipping world because of her huge proportions...

LETTER FROM ENTERPRISE.

J. T. Jones, tobaccoist, Douglas street, has received another letter from Capt. W. G. Allen...

TURBINE DISAPPOINTS.

The trials of the Allan line steamer Victoria, the largest turbine ship built, which was launched at Belfast, August 25th...

MAKAWELL ARRIVES.

It is announced from Mazatlan, Mexico, that the barkentine Makawell, for which messages had been created by the finding of a lifeboat and some wreckage...

A MAST MISSING.

Information comes from the coast that the Indians at Hespoult, about a week ago, sighted a square-rigged ship standing close shore with apparently a mast missing.

THE ARION CLUB.

Excellent Concert to Be Given To-Morrow Evening. The Arion Club will give their enjoyable concert in Institute hall to-morrow evening...

YANCOUVER NOTES.

According to a telegram received on Tuesday from Seattle, the Japanese steamer, which was captured by the British...

DROUGHT IN EAST.

Farmers and Manufacturers Complain of Long Spell of Dry Weather. The drought is becoming serious to farmers and manufacturers in northern New York...

ONE MORE FOR ESCORT

ADMIRALTY HAVE THIS IN CONTEMPLATION

Only Two Vessels Will Be Stationed on North American Coast—Forty Old Ships Retired.

London, Dec. 7.—The admiralty will issue on Saturday for publication of Monday a statement of a new scheme for the distribution of the vessels of the British navy.

THE BROAD ARROW.

The Broad Arrow, in an article on concentrating our naval forces, says: "The disappearance of warships from colonial waters does not move the colonial to agonized despair..."

ALONE IN MID-OCEAN.

Ludwig Eisenbaum Tells of Being Captured in the Atlantic. To be captured when sailing a sloop across the smallest of ponds appears to the fresh water sailor sufficiently perilous.

MONTRÉAL NEWS.

Suicide of Superintendent of Power Station—Appointment of General Manager of C. P. R. Hotel.

DEATH OF ROBERT KERR.

The death of Robert Kerr, secretary-treasurer of the Guarantee Company of North America, which deceased had been associated for the last 25 years...

TREATMENT OF PNEUMONIA.

Dr. Albert Robin Writes on His Recent Discovery. The author of the "Story of Lost England" asserts that "in the last hundred years a fragment of our kingdom as large as the county of London has been buried beneath the sea."

ALLEN'S LUNG BALSAM will positively cure deep-seated COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, BRONCHOPNEUMONIA, ASTHMA, WHOOPING COUGH, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE THROAT AND LUNGS.

INEFFECTIVE ORDERS.

Turkish Officials Still Interfere With the Sale of Bibles. Constantinople, Dec. 7.—The orders which the Porte declares were sent to the Turkish officials in the provinces not to interfere with the sale of Bibles, have proved ineffective...

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Nearly Nineteen Million People Attended the Exposition at St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 4.—The official figures of the attendance at the World's Fair have been made public.

THE LATE PRESIDENT KRUGER.

Body Has Been Sent to Pretoria, Where Interment Will Take Place. Capetown, Dec. 7.—The body of the late President Kruger, which arrived at Capetown from Holland on November 25th...

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FARMERS' SONS WANTED.

Work in an office, 80 a month with advancement. A week's employment. A position in a branch office of the association is being advertised. Write to Mrs. W. W. Groves, Victoria, B. C.

BAZAAR NOTES.

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McBRIDE'S POSITION.

Hon. Richard McBride and Hon. R. F. Green wandered through the province previous to the 3rd of November and in the name of the First Conservative Government British Columbia has ever had besought the electors to vote against the candidates of the Liberal party.

The Liberal candidates and those who spoke for the Liberal candidates during the course of the late campaign asserted that the question of better terms could not be made an issue in the fight. That was true. The electorate decided that it was a fact.

PROTECT THE CITY'S INTERESTS.

There is at the present time a wave of public feeling or sentiment, favoring the municipal ownership of a great many utilities, passing over Eastern Canada. There is little doubt that the wave will recede in process of time with the discovery of the advantages of municipal as compared with private operation are not all on one side.

TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER.

While the weather in this part of the world has been such as to make all creatures endowed with the breath of life rejoice in the mere fact of living, in other places whose experiences have been such as to entitle them to hope for better treatment Boreas has been breathing icy blasts and creating no end of suffering.

does not hope to become a great manufacturing centre through the diffusion of the tremendous energy of the falls. In the coast cities of British Columbia we have an electric tramway company that gives a service that is all that could be desired.

CANADIAN DEFENCE.

The British naval authorities have evidently made up their minds that the time has come for Canada to assume greater responsibilities in relation to the defence of her coasts in case of trouble. The Dominion is mistress in her own house and her population and her revenues are increasing.

MAJOR MAUDE'S INFLUENCE.

Major Maude, minister of department, director of ceremonial and final authority on social precedence and all manner of precedents relating to etiquette, has departed from Ottawa, but he has left his influence behind an influence which will be felt throughout several centuries of democratic barbarities.

THE FACTS.

The state of political affairs in Ontario is far from creditable to the politicians of that province. That is admitted by all classes and conditions of people who are not politicians.

WELL-MERITED.

Great credit is due and is cheerfully accorded to Senator Templeman for the splendid success of British Columbia in the recent elections. It is not many years since it was impossible to elect a Liberal member in the province.

LAI'D AT REST.

The funeral of Mrs. Constance Langford took place Monday morning from the residence of her son-in-law, A. E. McPhillips, K. C., and later from St. Andrew's cathedral. There was a very large attendance of friends.

The London Canadian Gazette says it greatly sympathizes with the Canadian view that Canada must reserve to herself the right of consultation on the proposed Anglo-American treaty of arbitration. A Canadian Minister is reported as taking up the position that it must be stipulated that when Canada is involved her government shall have something to say as to the composition of the tribunal constituted under the general treaty.

AN UNCONSCIOUS BENEFACTOR.

Washington Star. One Bill Smith was 'arrested' Sunday everybody down. Used to stop his work to say 'Things about folks out our way. Used to make us all so mad 'till the reds' way he had. That we lived in mortal fear of his tongue—'twas that severe!

NOT THE RIGHT SORT OF SPECIALIST.

Detroit Tribune. Even if our condition were as bad as Prof. L. Newton's, still, I would pass him up and consult an optician. Same old expressed in many languages—Greek and Arab Originals.

PROVERBS WORLD-WIDE.

Many proverbs have come down to us from remote ages and are common to all nations. It is said that a King of Siam worked his slaves nearly to death in making a vineyard; this provoked one of them to prophesy that his master would never be able to reap the fruit of his vineyard.

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Conservative party in British Columbia thought it had in the question of better terms an effective stick to beat the Liberal government with. Hon. Richard McBride took a stump and ranted and raved with the grace, dignity and force for which he is famous.

THE CRYPTIC UTTERANCE OF PARKER WILLIAMS.

Mr. Williams will be a ruder shock to Premier McBride than the result of the federal elections. If the Socialist members demand a general election, a general election will be held.

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A little Sunlight Soap will clean cut glass and other articles until they shine and sparkle.

CLEVER HANDBALL. HUGHES AND PEDEN WON CLOSE CONTEST.

Blood Poison. Brings Boils, Salt Rheum, Eczema and Scrofula. WEATHER'S SYRUP.

They views they retired. Then it was moved by A. Turnbull, of New Westminster.

matter what ground he had for believing this, his action in practically disorganizing the arrangement was unparliamentary.

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PETITION FOR AN OLD MEN'S HOME CITIZENS ASK THAT INSTITUTION BE BUILT

Time for the Completion of the Carnegie Library Has Been Extended Six Months.

A petition from a number of representative citizens who have property equivalent to more than one-tenth of the value of real estate assessed in this city, was last evening read at the weekly meeting of the Mayor and aldermen asking for the construction of a new Old Men's Home.

The Victoria Gas Co. notified the council of its desire to open a Broad street to run a pipe leading to Spencer's building. Laid on the table.

T. C. Sorby offered the city a copy of a mounted map of the harbor showing wharves, etc., at \$20; also a specially prepared chart for \$12. The offer of the mounted map was accepted, and the offer of the chart was tabled for future consideration.

John A. Coates applied for the use of the stamping machine at Elk lake. Refused to city engineer with power to act.

Lost inquired what the council had decided to do in regard to the construction of a sidewalk on Carr street. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

The secretary of the board of trade asked for an explanation of the status of the Rock Bay bridge question. Received and filed, the writer to be informed when any changes in the matter take place.

Dr. Herman Robertson endorsed the new form of the medical death certificates. Received and filed.

Two communications from New York—the Daily Bond Buyer and the Financial News—asked for particulars of the sale of the city's bonds. It was agreed to give the name of the successful bidder and the prices obtained.

W. J. Dowler acknowledged receipt of communications from Andrew Grey and S. Perry Mills et al for certain improvements. Received and filed.

The city solicitor reported on the application of the Victoria Gas Co. regarding the laying of pipes on Broad street. The city solicitor reported that the request of the company be granted, and after considerable discussion a motion carried by a vote of two yeas, the aldermen agreeing that it was a great pity to have the street torn up.

The city solicitor also submitted a form of contract for the purchase of the time for the building of the Carnegie library for six months. It was decided that the Mayor be authorized to place the seal of the corporation to this agreement.

The sanitary officer and building inspector reported on a building on Langley street facing Mr. McGregor's premises. The officer stated that it was intended to replace the structure next spring.

Henry M. Dumberton et al petitioned as follows: To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the Council of the Corporation of Victoria:

KILLED BY FALLING TREE. Fatal Accident in a Logging Camp Near Rossland.

A fatal accident occurred on Tuesday last in Blue & Deschamps's logging camp, located about four miles north of Rossland, in which Thomas Mathieu lost his life.

Mathieu and a companion were engaged in felling a large tree. It had been felled to the ground and was falling when Mathieu and his companion sought safety by getting out of the line where they thought the tree would land.

The deceased was a native of Hull, Quebec, and was a French-Canadian. He was aged about 35 years.

ADDRESS ON VALUE OF GOOD LITERATURE

First of Series to Be Delivered by Dr. Campbell Was Given Last Sunday Evening.

Rev. Dr. Campbell last Sunday evening in First Presbyterian church gave a lecture to young people on "The Influence of the Books We Read in Moulding Our Character."

He said a marvelous revolution in book reading has taken place since Caxton printed the first book in English, 400 years ago. Although books are cheap, it is seldom even now that a well selected library is found in the home.

Parents cannot afford to be without good books for their children, for if they are not supplied with them they are sure to be provided with bad books in some way or another, and a young man's character is moulded largely by the literature he reads.

The best and most interesting poetry, romance, fiction, history, travel and biography should be in the home circle library, to the exclusion of literature which is corrupt and impure and acts as poison on the mind.

The doctor urged parents to take a careful supervision of the books, magazines and newspapers which their children read. He gave an instance of a boy who attempted to wreck a train, and when arrested a dime novel was found in his pocket in which were described train robbery, two highway robberies, three burglaries and a murder, and the principals in all these were painted as heroes.

He also instanced the case of a number of boys in a town in which he once was pastor, who congregated in a secluded old house which they called "The Club." Having robbed several houses, they were arrested, and in their recollections were found packs of cards and scores of dime novels of the most impure and damning character.

Good reading produces good morals in young men and women, and bad literature produces the reverse.

This was the first of a series of Sunday evening lectures which Dr. Campbell will be giving at First Presbyterian church.

TOUCHED UPON MANY SUBJECTS PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

No Reference to the Tariff or Reciprocity - Relations of Capital and Labor.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—When the Senate met at noon today Senators Allison and Cockrell, the committee appointed to report on the President had expressed his intention to immediately communicate with the Senate through a message in writing.

The President makes no reference to the tariff nor to reciprocity. The message in brief is as follows: The nation continues to enjoy noteworthy prosperity. Such prosperity is, of course, primarily due to the high individual energy of our citizenship, taken together with our natural resources, but an important factor herein is the working of our long continued governmental policies.

With regard to labor, the problem is no less important, but it is simpler. As long as the peace of the country and the peace of the police power, the circumstances must be altogether extreme, which require interference by the federal authorities, whether in the way of safeguarding the rights of labor.

The Lewis and Clark centennial exposition will be open between June 1st and October 15th, 1905. The rates were arranged for the accommodation of the delegates to the annual meeting of the American Medical Association, which occurs at Portland, July 11th-14th, and the annual meeting of the American Railway Association, which convenes at Portland September 4th.

THE KOOTENAY ELECTION.

W. A. Gallher Has a Majority of 752.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 5.—Returning Officer John Boutilier for Kootenay riding to-day received the returns of the recent election sent in by the various deputies and gave out the following figures: Gallher, 2,438; and from St. Louis, Baker, 605. This gives the Liberal candidate a majority of 752 over the Conservative and Socialist vote.

RAGGED CHILDREN'S FUND.

Substantial Sum Contributed by Chamberlain Victoriana.

The secretary of the Y. M. C. A. reports having received additional subscriptions to the Ragged Children's Fund under: A Friend ..... \$ 2.00 Mrs. W. .... 1.00 Mrs. R. .... 1.00 Centennial Methodist Sunday School ..... 3.00 A Friend, Cowichan ..... 2.00 Mrs. Ewing and children ..... 2.00 Old Country Friends ..... 3.50 Total ..... \$19.00

The sum of \$57.50 was forwarded to the Shattuck Society on December 1st, the total subscriptions received to date, \$71.15. The list finally closes this evening.

FROM THE MINISTERS.

More Expressions of Their Regret on Their Inability to Attend Banquet.

MOTHERHOOD WEAKNESS

Is Promptly Overcome—Health and Vigor Permanently Restored by Ferrozone.

Many women suffer untold torture from nervous debility caused by disorders of the feminine organs. Day by day they grow worse, but from a false sense of modesty they shrink from using the remedy which Ferrozone. And it would cure them.

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TO PURCHASE WARSHIPS. C. D. Flint, of New York, Said to Be the Chief Agent.

London, Dec. 4.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Standard telegraphs as follows: "Charles D. Flint, of New York, arrived here on Tuesday, and stayed at the National hotel, under the name of Charles Flint. He proceeded on Wednesday, by way of Warsaw and Odessa, to Constantinople. It is rumored that Mr. Flint brought a letter of credit on the Bonds of the Argentine and Chilean warships, for \$35,000,000, the amount payable for the purchase of which Russia is said to be negotiating with the United States. Mr. Flint will endeavor to arrange that these vessels, when purchased, shall use the Turkish flag."

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FAVOR CASH SETTLEMENT. Creditors of Mrs. Chadwick Seem Opposed to Taking Any Sensational Legal Step.

New York, Dec. 7.—That the creditors of Mrs. Chadwick, as represented by the Ohio men who arrived in New York yesterday, are more anxious to bring about the woman than to precipitate a crisis by a sensational legal step, is believed by Mrs. Chadwick's legal attorney. They think this has been shown by the many conferences yesterday without apparent result.

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