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DAYS OF DOUBT IN BIG EMPIRE
Dominion Loan in London.

Nephew of Chinese Reform Leader Describes Situation at Pekin

THREE PARTIES IN FIELD
Hopes for Success of Progressives, Headed by Regent Prince Chun

PRAIRIE TRAGEDY
Saskatchewan Farmer's Wife and Four Children Are Burned in Their Home

CITY AND COMPANY IN BITTER CONTEST
Winnipeg Council to Oppose Operations of Street Railway Company

MR. ROOT'S RETIREMENT
Will Give Up Secretary of State's Office on Election as Senator

INHERITS FORTUNE
Vanouver Chauffeur Inherits Property Bequeathed to Him by Aunt in Kingston, Ont.

ANTI-JAPANESE BILLS DELAYED
Sacramento, Jan. 20.—By a vote of 48 to 34 the assembly decided today to hold up all anti-Japanese legislation until next Wednesday morning.

CANADIAN CURLERS BANQUETTED
Edinburgh, Jan. 20.—The Royal Canadian club gave a banquet of welcome to the Canadian curlers tonight.

PRESENT FROM MR. HILL
Toronto, Jan. 19.—T. J. Hill of the G.N. Railway has given \$5,000 to the new Toronto's College at Newmarket.

ALL IN FAVOR OF MR. BORDEN
Conservative Caucus Unanimously Asks Him to Retain Leadership

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT
Matters Likely to Be Referred to Programme of the Government

WEDDING OF LORD MINTO'S DAUGHTER
Calcutta, Jan. 20.—With a social pomp and significance such as would be impossible in any other city of the British Empire, the marriage of Lady Violet Elliott, daughter of Earl Minto, to Lord Charles Fitzmaurice, son of the Marquis of Lansdowne, was celebrated at St. Paul's Cathedral today.

STOCK YARD AT WINNIPEG
Winnipeg, Jan. 20.—Work on the mammoth new Union stock yard at Winnipeg is to be controlled by the Canadian Pacific Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern railroads.

FIRE IN CUMBERLAND TAKES A MAN'S LIFE
James Scott Burned in His Room—Property Loss is Extensive

PRECIPITATION DURING GOLD SELL
Snow Rain...
Victoria... 2.50 in. 1.53 in.

NANAIMO POULTRY SHOW
Annual Event Successful—Citizens Concerned About Quality of Milk Supply

EARTH STILL SHAKES IN MESSINA REGION
Shocks Accompanied by Alarming Noises—Measures for Relief

LARGE TIMBER AREA ON E. & N. JUST SOLD
Cedar Rapids Men Purchase Through the Griffiths Company

C. P. R. GETS CONTROL
Deal Concerning Wisconsin Central Railway Completed Yesterday at New York

COMPANIES TO BE WOUND UP
Toronto, Jan. 20.—Mr. Justice Latchford has granted a winding up order against the Chandler-Massay company.

GOVERNMENT OF DELAWARE
Dover, Del., Jan. 19.—Simon S. Fennewill was today inaugurated governor of Delaware.

C. P. R. REBUILDS PART OF BRANCH
Crow's Nest Line East of Summit to Undergo Radical Improvement

SEVENTY MILES INVOLVED
Change Necessitated by Rapid Increase of Traffic from the West

LIBERIA'S APOLOGY
Berlin, Jan. 19.—The government of Liberia has tendered an apology to Germany for the improper acts of its harbor officials in the recent opening of the Liberian coast by the customs gunboat Lark, and the matter is regarded as settled.

LOCAL APPLES FIND FAVOR IN THE ORIENT
Second Shipment Has Been Made by the Local Fruit Exchange

QUEEN HELENA HONORED
Rome, Jan. 19.—Count Lutawo, of the Austro-Hungarian embassy, was received in private audience by Her Majesty today.

KENOA MURDERER HANGED
Kenora, Jan. 20.—Geo. F. Johnson, aged 25, was hanged at eight this morning for the brutal murder of Mrs. Ackerman, his landlady.

HIGH-HANDED ACTION
Mr. Hearst's Representative Has Private Papers Taken From Him When Arrested

PHILIPPINE DISASTER
Part of Lake Said to Have Been Released Through Fissure Made in Old Crater by Eruption

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Manila, Jan. 20.—Brief despatches from Tayabas province today give but a confused idea of a disaster said to have been experienced on Tuesday night, and still leave undetermined whether it was a volcanic eruption of Mount Laganas or a cloudburst that caused the consternation.

ANGLO-AMERICAN BUSINESS
London, Jan. 19.—King Edward received Whitelaw Reid, the United States ambassador, at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

SERBIAN INVESTIGATION CONTINUES
Belgrade, Serbia, Jan. 20.—All efforts to form a new ministry have failed, and the ministers, at the king's request, have accepted the assurance of continued confidence, have consented to remain in office.

FIFTY MEN MET PAINFUL DEATH
Workers on Chicago Water Tunnel Caught by Bursting of Crib

POWDER EXPLOSION CAUSE
Men Compelled to Jump Into Icy Water to Escape the Flames

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Blown to pieces by exploding powder, burned to death by the resultant fire, or drowned in the icy waters of Lake Michigan, was the fate today of some fifty workmen who were working on a submarine tunnel at a wooden crib a mile and a half from shore.

BOATS AND TUGS MADE FREQUENT TRIP
Tonight to the scene of the disaster through the heavy ice floes. Owing to the difficulty experienced by small craft in reaching the crib during the winter, most of the workmen employed on the work sank in temporary bunks at the crib.

IT WAS JUST AS THESE MEN HAD BEEN awakened from the day's slumber when the explosion occurred. The explosion is thought to have had its origin in a small powder house about a hundred yards from the crib.

ONE OF THE WORKMEN, with a cooler head than his fellows, abandoned the shouting and frantic men on the platform, and made his way through the smoke to a little enclosure in which was a telephone.

AT THIS POINT communication ceased and through the fog an occasional burst of flames and a whining whistling of steam. According to the watchers on shore that the telephone message was in earnest.

THE TUG T. MORFON, in charge of Capt. Johnson, at anchor within a short distance of the impelled crib, was the first to get into the work.

AFTER SEVERAL HOURS of heroic work 33 workmen were rescued. When the tug Conway arrived, the crew finally quenched the flames, 53 bodies had been carried ashore and placed in the morgue.

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POPULARITY OF PUBLIC LIBRARY IS GROWING

Demands Made Upon Institution Show Increase During Past Year

That the reading public of Victoria is more and more taking advantage of the opportunities afforded by the Carnegie library in this city...

Report of the Commissioners of the Carnegie Library, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1908. In presenting our report upon the Carnegie Library, for 1908, we are pleased to be able to comment upon the steady improvement in that institution...

The men's reading room is at all times of the day full to the extent of its capacity. An average of thirty to forty readers generally occupying the limited space at their disposal.

To Open Up Rich Areas A gentleman who is very familiar with the country through which the G.T.P. will pass to the eastward of Prince Rupert...

Robbery and Aggravated Assault by Early Morning Visitors on Ship Halewood

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Care for Readers. Your commissioners greatly regret that they have not found it expedient to recommend according to the many requests which from time to time are made for the use of the unoccupied rooms for public use...

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Dawson, Jan. 19.—Following are the returns as received from the Yukon election for the house of commons: Ogilvie—Congdon 6, Lowe 3, Black 2, Forsyth—Congdon 4, Lowe 3, Black 1, Clark 8, Selkirk—Congdon 2, Lowe 3, Black 4, Stewart—Congdon 9, Lowe 1, Black 11, Whitehorse—Congdon 11, Lowe 7, Black 21, Carcross—Congdon 1, Lowe 37, Black 4.

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HUGE LUMBER MILL WILL BE ESTABLISHED Syndicate Purchases Twenty-Five Acres on Esquimalt Harbor

The syndicate of upwards of half a million dollars will be necessary here to erect a large mill which a wealthy syndicate has decided to establish on a 25-acre tract on Esquimalt harbor.

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COLD SNAP DAMAGES THE POTATO CROP

Tubers Hold at High Price Established a Week Ago

While the still further advance in the prices of potatoes, predicted by dealers last week has not taken place, the price has advanced to the high level established then when values just doubled over the recent sales...

EGGS AS HOLD AT THE RECENT ADVANCE OF 10 CENTS PER DOZEN FOR THE FRESH ISLAND BRAND. The cold snap was also responsible for the advance in the price of produce...

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HOLBROOK'S SAUCES AND PICKLES ARE SO FAVORABLY KNOWN THAT COMMENT IS UNNECESSARY.

May we supply your requirements? We have just received a fresh consignment.

- Holbrook's Sauce, 1/2 pts., per bottle 25c, Holbrook's Sauce, 1 pint, per bottle 35c, Holbrook's Mixed Chow Chow and Onion Pickles, half pints, per bottle 25c, Holbrook's Mixed Chow Chow and Onion Pickles, pints, per bottle 35c, Holbrook's Pure Malt Vinegar, quarts, per bottle 25c

PLUMBERS' SUPPLIES

Malleable Pipe and Fittings, Brass Pipe and Fittings, Stocks and Dies, etc., etc. The Hickman Tye Hardware Co., Ltd. Phone 59. 544-45 Yates Street, Victoria, B. C.

PURE BRED LIVESTOCK. STANDARD BRED S. C. White Leghorns, pullets and hens, for sale, from \$1.00 up, from Captain Mitchell's famous laying strain, Santa Barbara, Cal. Ernest T. Hanson, Cowichan Station, V. I.

FOR SALE.—Ten acres fine bottom land, one acre clear, well located, only 10 minutes from the R.R. station, Semanah, Apply to P. Steiner, Fort Vancouver, Wash.

TIDE TABLE

Table with 12 columns: Date, Time, High, Low, Time, High, Low, Time, High, Low. For Victoria, B. C., January, 1909.

The time used in Pacific Standard, for the month of January, is 10 minutes less than for Standard Time. The height in feet and tenths of a foot above the estate of the station is given in the table.

MR. SLOAN TO RETIRE. Ottawa Report States That He Has Consented to Give Up Seat to Mr. Templeman.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES McDONALD, deceased. Pursuant to the order of the Hon. the Supreme Court of Victoria, made on the 20th day of October, 1908...

PANTHERS SUSPECTED. Theory Now Held to Account For Disappearance of Two Men Nearing Home.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. In the matter of Joseph Tarlton deceased intestate, and In the matter of Section 14, Range 5, Sonoma District.

TAKE NOTICE that on the 25th day of January, A.D. 1909, at the hour of 10.30 a.m., an application will be made to the presiding Judge in Chambers in the Supreme Court of Victoria, B.C., to approve of the sale of the above named deceased to one William Ridge...

RELIEF SHIP ARRIVES. Naples, Jan. 19.—The supply ship Celtio arrived here today from New York. She is bringing relief to the earthquake sufferers. Her captain has been ordered by Admiral Sperry to deliver his cargo to the Italian authorities, who will undertake its distribution.

OPERATIVES WERE IN DANGER. North Chelmsford, Mass., Jan. 19.—The Brookside worsted mills and the three spinning mills here were practically destroyed by fire tonight. Hundreds of operatives were in the mills when the fire started, and many of them had narrow escapes. An estimate by mill officials place the total loss at \$50,000.

CASTRO'S WORK NEARLY UNFINISHED

United States to Resume Diplomatic Relations With Venezuela

Washington, Jan. 19.—With the completion of the settlement of Venezuela, in readiness to go to that country when informed that the settlement was completed...

SETTLEMENT WITH FRANCESCA

Special Envoy Paul to be Sent With Other Euro Countries

Paris, Jan. 19.—The negotiation between Jose D. Paul, the Venezuelan commissioner, the French government and the French company, looking to a settlement of the dispute...

CHINA'S NEW YEAR

From Thursday's Daily News. The celebration of the New Year is the white population who Chinatown last night more than 100,000 people.

NAVIGATION IS BEING RESUMED ON Fraser River

The Chinook winds are of Fraser river channel and which was considerably delayed in the matter of the new year for navigation and which was considerably delayed in the matter of the new year for navigation...

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS.—On January 17, Mrs. J. H. Fletcher, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Erickson. BAKER.—On January 19, W. T. Baker, of a daughter, Mrs. W. T. Baker, of a daughter, Mrs. W. T. Baker, of a daughter...

HOLD MEETINGS TO URGE DEVELOPMENT OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Project of Victoria and Barkley Sound Railway is Endorsed

A very lively interest is being taken in the movement for the development of the island by the people throughout the country. A series of all-day and very enthusiastic meetings were held at Sooke, near Milne's Landing, and Colwood, in Tuesday evening. Both meetings were called for the purpose of banding together the residents of the district for the purpose of promoting the best interests and general welfare of these most important sections of the island. It has long been an established fact that these districts possess advantages in the way of soil, timber, and minerals which eventually must prove of the greatest importance to the settlers and capitalist, and it is the determination on the part of those now residing there to bring these things into more prominent notice.

Perhaps the most important matter brought up at the meetings was the resolution in favor of the proposed Victoria and Barkley Sound Railway. Some of those interested in this project in Victoria, were in attendance with the help of Mr. John Jardine, M.P.F., who was able to give to the meetings a general outline of the scheme and to answer necessary and pertinent questions. The following is the resolution as passed at the meetings of the residents of Sooke and Otter districts, and also at Colwood.

"Whereas it has been brought to the attention of the residents of these districts that a line of railway from Victoria to Barkley Sound, running through part of these districts is projected and that the promoters thereof intend to apply to the Parliament of Canada and to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the next sessions thereof respectively, for the incorporation of a company to be called the 'Victoria and Barkley Sound Railway Company,' with all the necessary powers to construct, equip, maintain and operate such railway.

"And whereas the development of the portion of these districts through which said railway will run and serve has been seriously retarded, inasmuch as the said districts besides being rich in timber and minerals, consists largely of lands suitable for farming and particularly for fruit growing, which industries however, have been much hampered by the lack of suitable means of transportation, and neither the productions of the farm, the forest, nor the mine have been enabled profitably to reach a market.

"And whereas it is the opinion of this meeting that the proposed railway will not only be of incalculable benefit to these districts but that such a railway is an urgent necessity to the welfare of the same.

"Be it therefore resolved, that this meeting is heartily in favor of the proposed railway and all other necessary means and aid to secure the early construction of the same.

And that copies of this resolution be duly forwarded to Messrs Ralph Smith, M.P., and John Jardine, M.P.F., and to those having charge of the Bill at Ottawa and Victoria with a view of bringing the same to the notice of the proper authorities.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO ORGANIZE LINES

Ministers in Great Britain, United States, France and Japan, to Make Investigation

That the Chinese government is in earnest regarding its proposal to establish national steamship lines to show the Chinese flag on the Pacific and to the Japanese lines which are so liberally aided by the Japanese government. The Chinese government has given instructions through the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs at Peking to the Chinese Ministers to the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France, ordering them to make enquiries concerning the system and the operation of steamship lines in those countries. The object of the investigation is to make preparations for the projected steamship companies to be established jointly by the officials and people of China for service on the rivers of China, on the China coast, and in the trans-Pacific. The movement for the national steamship lines is being organized from Canton, the moving spirits being all Cantonese. The 72 guilds of Canton, have given the project much support. Some time ago prospectuses were sent to the Chinese of this city and of other Chinese of communities in the United States, Australia and elsewhere asking them to subscribe for the shares of the proposed companies. The organizers pointed out the example of Japan and laid stress upon the number of Chinese seamen engaged on other freight steamers and liners of the world, stating that Chinese, when trained, would make capable seamen. Much of the stock was subscribed and the assistance of the government at Peking was then sought. The officials are giving the promoters every assistance and it is expected that the project will succeed. The idea is to establish lines on Chinese rivers and first, then coast steamship lines and when the scheme has borne fruit trans-Pacific steamships flying the dragon flag of China.

CORDWOOD ON STREET

(From Thursday's Daily)
In the police court yesterday the prosecution of the Baker brothers begun by Samuel Jennings was called. The complainant is prosecuting under the Streets bylaw and the burden of his complaint is that the accused have been piling cordwood on the street in front of his place. J. A. Alkman, who is prosecuting, called as evidence one which he wanted from the city engineer's office that the land actually covered by the wood was part of the public street, was not ready and obtained an adjournment.

R. T. Elliott, K.C., who appears for the defense, insisted that he would insist on the matter being proved by the aid of the city official map. He also remarked that his clients had fenced this land for thirty years and had been piling wood on it for twenty and so claimed title. In this case it would be found that the magistrate had no jurisdiction.

It is understood that in point of fact there is no official city map of the whole city. The only such map in existence being that of Victoria West and the old original Hudson's Bay townsite.

TO URGE DEVELOPMENT OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Board of Trade Committee Arrange Programme For Sessions

It has been decided to abandon the proposed address of Mr. W. G. Sutton, M.E., F.R.G.S., to the delegates to the Island Development convention upon Thursday evening next, not because Mr Sutton was at all unwilling to accede to such a request, but simply because the numerous counter attractions would in all probability render it rather difficult to secure a properly representative audience. The following very interesting programme has been arranged for the first meeting of the delegates, which will take place at 10.30 o'clock upon Friday morning. Mr. Sutton will deliver an address which will cover from half to three-quarters of an hour, giving a somewhat cursory but very definite idea of the many natural resources of the island, which are eminently worthy of vigorous development, and Mr. Thomas Richardson, of Portland, will then briefly pass in review the essential features of the comprehensive system which has been planned for the Oregon State Development league and which has been found to produce most satisfactory results. If, with these facts laid plainly before them, the delegates decide to form a Vancouver Island Development organization, definite steps to this end will be at once taken and the necessary officers elected. An adjournment being ordered, luncheon will be served at the Empress, where Mr. Richardson will deliver a formal and instructive address upon the principal matters at issue, while at 3 o'clock the convention will re-assemble at the Board of Trade rooms and the business proper of the delegates will be considered by the delegates as follows: Desirable improvements in the mail service, ameliorations in both passenger and freight rates and service, the construction of roads and of trails, the proper development of the natural resources of each individual district of the island, and all other apposite and non-contentious questions.

The dollar luncheon tickets can be had at any time from the members of the reception committee or from the secretary of the Board, as well as at Messrs. Chalmers & Mitchell and Messrs. N. Hibben & Co., on Government street.

WONNIEP REJECTS COMPANY PROPOSAL

City Will Proceed at Once to Construct Its Own Power Plant

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—D. D. Mann, representing the Winnipeg Electric Company, appeared before the power committee of the city council today and submitted the following offer for the sale of the company's plant to the city:

"1st—The directors of the company would be willing to recommend its shareholders to sell its railway, lighting plant, gas plant, assets, rights and undertakings, subject to the bonds of the city as a condition of sale, to be determined by arbitration. The chairman of the arbitration board to be agreed upon by the council and the company, and one arbitrator to be appointed by each party afterwards. We are willing also to recommend to the shareholders to accept second mortgage five per cent, twenty year bonds, bearing interest payable half-yearly, guaranteed by the city for the amount of the award.

2nd—As a further alternative, the company will agree to supply power to the city upon the terms previously quoted in our letter of January 11, at \$24.50 per horse power with the quantity of power mentioned, delivered to the consumer, and will undertake in consideration of a contract being entered into upon such terms for a period of twenty years and of the city delay in proceedings with its own power during the term of such contract, to still further reduce in commercial value of the plant and the electrical lighting charges in Winnipeg by one fifth, or twenty per cent, immediately, and to lease the city the right to use the plant at four per cent, rental upon cost, and to keep such tramway in running order for the city until such time as the city may require it, the city to have the right after three years, to determine this condition on giving one year's notice.

The council, after making these offers on condition that the same shall be accepted within a reasonable time, and the directors would be willing to confer with your committee with a view of settling further details or modifications.

The council, decided to reject the company's offer and will proceed at once with the city power plant on Winnipeg river.

HELD ANNUAL MEETING

The pastor, Rev. D. MacRae presided at the very successful annual meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Victoria West. The reports showed that the past year had been the most prosperous in all its history of 25 years. The membership roll numbers 110, of whom 25 were added during the past year; a total revenue for the year of \$1,925, including the sum of \$150, which contributed towards the maintenance of home and foreign missions as well as other religious objects, and a credit balance of \$75; a membership of 84 in the Ladies Aid Society, with a total revenue of \$538; a membership of 22 in the Y.P.S.C.E., and a revenue of \$100, an enrolment of 80 scholars and 8 teachers in the Sabbath school and a total revenue of \$122. The following officers were elected for the current year: Kirk session, Rev. D. MacRae, moderator; Messrs. W. D. Mackintosh, clerk; D. Fraser, Leonard Mackintosh, John Adam and W. Robertson; board of management, Messrs. A. W. Sample, chairman; W. D. Mackintosh, secretary; D. Fraser, secretary; W. Robertson, financial secretary; Thomas Watson, W. J. McDonald and Wm. Sloan.

A Leipzig hotelkeeper won his suit to stop a public clock from striking on the night time.

BAYLIS WILL RACE BECKWITH AND DIXON

Victoria's Premier Long Distance Runner to Meet Two Fleet Youths

A relay long distance race will take place on February 27th in this city, in which Frank Baylis will meet Messrs. Beckwith and Dixon. The course will be around the Beacon Hill mile track five times. The conditions, both understood, will provide that Beckwith start off with Baylis for the first two and a half miles and that Dixon take on later for the last half.

This contest has been arranged as a result of a wish expressed by Baylis to try his strength and speed against a combination of the best long distance runners in the Y.M.C.A. New Year's Marathon. As Beckwith and Dixon were at the first two and a half miles respectively, it was up to them to accept or reject what was the equivalent of a challenge. They came to the conclusion to take the challenge of the island champion and as a result Baylis will have the opportunity of thoroughly testing his capabilities in respect to endurance and fitness.

SAANICH CONSERVATIVES

Elect Officers and Apport Delegates to the Provincial Association Meeting

The annual meeting of the Saanich Conservative association held on Tuesday evening in the Royal Oak school was largely attended. The election of officers and the selection of delegates to the annual meeting of the British Columbia Conservative association was the chief business of the meeting. Hon. Spencer D. M. Eberts, K.C., of the association, presided. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Hon. M. Eberts; first vice-president, J. Nicholson; second vice-president, E. G. Quick; secretary, John Brien; treasurer, Charles P. King.

The delegates appointed to attend the annual meeting of the British Columbia Conservative association were: W. F. Loveland, J. Nicholson, Cory Wood, D. Mackintosh, W. Robertson, William Sprule, F. G. Quick, Altemeyer, William Jackson, H. M. Dunn, Kenbury, H. Clason and H. Dunn.

WOULD BUY CREAMERY FOR BRAHMIN TEMPLE

Local Hindus Approach Company With Offer to Purchase Carey Road Property

Whether it is their belief that the cow is a sacred animal and that a building which is devoted to the manufacture of butter ought to be held in honor, or that the stout brick structure itself with weird pipes projecting from it at quaint angles has caught their fancy, is not explained but certain Hindus in this city recently desired possession of the premises of the Victoria Creamery Company for use as a temple. The temple should be devoted to the gods approached by a syndicate with an offer to buy the building and have promised to give the site of the temple. Upon that answer will depend whether or not the walls which knew no mysteries save those of the manufacture of butter shall be devoted to the rites and ceremonies, the feasts, fasts and festivals of the great god Brahma.

The stone which the builders rejected became the head of the corner in the famous temple of King Solomon. And the building which the East Indians would dedicate to their gods was formerly a sore bone of contention in South Saanich. It was over the question of the disposal of the creamery's waste materials that the trouble arose. Week in and week out the councillors wrestled with it. It became an issue in the community and "for" and "against" it were the planks in the platform of those seeking reelection. After months of dispute the company weary of the war, and finding a more central location in Victoria moved either the building, which has since been deserted.

The Hindus are willing to pay cash. It is understood that they are backed by a native bank of Delhi. The management of the Victoria Creamery Company will not as yet make any statement with regard to their intentions in the matter.

KENNEL SHOWS

Local Club to Arrange for Parlor Display This Month

A parlor show will be held under the auspices of the Victoria Kennel club towards the end of the month. The exact date has not yet been decided. That question and the appointment of committees to take in hand the exhibition of the dogs, details will come before the members of the organization at a meeting to be held shortly.

Another matter that will have to be dealt with by the club without delay is the preparation for the annual spring show which is fixed for April.

YOUNG'S JANUARY SALE

CORSET BARGAINS TODAY

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HON. D. M. EBERTS BACK FROM EASTERN VISIT

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Hon. D. M. Eberts, K.C., speaker of the legislative assembly of the British Columbia, has returned from the east and will be on hand for the opening of the new session of the provincial parliament on Monday. His recent trip included visits to Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, New York, and other American cities including Little Rock, Arkansas. At the latter point the state legislature was in session and on the occasion of his visit to that place he was escorted to the place of honor and on the invitation of the presiding officer, addressed the legislative assembly.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The death occurred at the Jubilee Hospital during Tuesday night of Frederick G. White, who had been ill since he was 45. He was an accountant by profession and had been in the employ of Messrs. Chalmers & Mitchell, while it is further understood that he had lived he would have gone north upon the opening of navigation to enter the service of the Guinnesses. His death was very sudden and totally unexpected, as he was considered to be well upon the way towards complete recovery. The cause of his death was not ascertained. The deceased was in the 44th year of his age. He was born in the city of Ottawa and had lived in this province for several years. He was an accountant by profession and had been in the employ of Messrs. Chalmers & Mitchell, while it is further understood that he had lived he would have gone north upon the opening of navigation to enter the service of the Guinnesses. His death was very sudden and totally unexpected, as he was considered to be well upon the way towards complete recovery. The cause of his death was not ascertained.

SCHEDULED HOCKEY GAME POSTPONED

Vancouver Won't Meet the Garrison Eleven This Week—Locals Arranging Dance

The Vancouver Garrison hockey match, which was scheduled to be played next Saturday at Work Point grounds, has been postponed until the 30th inst., it being claimed that the area is not in fit condition for such a game. The announcement is regretted by Victorians and the officials of the home club are especially disappointed because they will have to wait another week before having an opportunity of consulting with the mainland hockey-ists in regard to a revision of the international schedule in such a way as to provide for the continuance of the series on a basis satisfactory to all competing clubs.

PRIZES DISPLAYED

The prizes offered winners in the different classes in connection with the annual exhibition of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock association, which takes place from the 28th to the 29th of the present month, are displayed in the windows of the Queen's hotel, corner of Johnson and Store streets. The collection is large the assortment varied, and the quality admirable. The entries which will close this week promise to outnumber those received on any previous occasion.

ACTIVITY IN OFF-SHORE LUMBER CHARTERING

Many Vessels Are Being Taken to Carry Timber to Foreign Markets

During the past week there has been considerable activity in chartering of offshore lumber tonnage. However, the demand is regarded as abnormal, and it is expected that business will quiet down shortly. There have been no unusual features except that rates are still unusually low, and there seems to be no immediate prospect of a rise.

WILL KEEP TRACK CLEAN IN FUTURE

Loose Rock and Clay Along E. & N. Railway to Be Removed

The slide which occurred on the E. & N. railway near Goldstream on Tuesday afternoon did not materially effect traffic. The gang of workmen despatched to the scene, as soon as the news reached Victoria, found the track submerged by a layer of clay three feet deep. It took them some hours to clear the right-of-way, but a little after midnight, the freight train was able to continue on its way to Victoria.

SENSATIONAL FIND IN SAN FRANCISCO

When the four-masted schooner Watson A. West was placed in dock at San Francisco it was discovered that three auger holes had been bored in her port side, just above the copper paint and between the main and fore rigging. The holes, each an inch in diameter, were several feet apart, but all had entered the beams of the schooner, thus proving but a slight menace to the safety of the vessel. S. B. Slade & Co., owners, believe that the apparent attempt to cause the loss of their schooner was the work of enemies at Gray's Harbor, where the Watson A. West lay for some time before going to San Francisco a short time ago with a cargo of lumber.

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Sensational Find in San Francisco When Vessel Was Hauled Out For Repairs

Annual Meeting.

In the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening was held the forty-third annual meeting of the congregation. Rev. W. Leslie Clay, the pastor, occupied the chair, while A. E. Starr acted as secretary. Reports were presented by the session, board of management,

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READY TO USE THE BIG STICK

President Gives Hint to California Men in Address at Washington

SQUARE DEAL FOR JAPAN Declares Arrangement With Japanese Government is Satisfactory

Washington, Jan. 18.—Introduced by Bishop Cranston as the "apostle of the square deal," President Roosevelt in an address tonight at the diamond jubilee mass meeting held in the Metropolitan Memorial Church, which the late President McKinley attended, declared that he would not come before a Methodist gathering if he had not attempted to give the square deal.

"In addition to the square deal in our own country," he continued, "I want the Methodists and others to help to give the square deal to Japan. I will see to it that in doing this our own citizens are protected."

After concluding, the president shook hands with Bishop Cranston, who exclaimed: "This is the best of church and state, not organic relationship, but to stand hand in hand, heart to heart, eye for eye, for the uplifting of humanity."

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Conservative Caucus. Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Conservative senators and members held their first caucus Wednesday evening, following the passing of the new parliament. It is a foregone conclusion that R. L. Borden will again be chosen as leader.

Commons Speakership. Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The advance guard of members of parliament will arrive in the city tomorrow, and begin their beginning at the Commons. Not much stock is taken in the Toronto rumor of opposition to Mr. Marcell for the Speakership.

Bonus for Civil Servants. Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The parliamentary estimates this session are expected to contain a provision for a substantial bonus to civil servants of war classes. The amount will be the same to those who receive \$600 a year as to those who draw \$3,000.

TARIFF REFORM Sir George Young Speaks of Political Prospects in the Mother Country. Toronto, Jan. 18.—Sir George Young, who has been engaged on many important jobs in the Commons, and who has been to Washington on a visit to his son, who is one of the attaches of the British embassy there, was in Toronto on Saturday night, and in an interview emphasized the fact that the tariff reformers no longer occupied the position they did in the old country. Other questions have loomed up and supplanted the tariff question in the mind of the government. In the event of his retirement, it is said that P. C. Robbette, of Toronto, will be the Liberal candidate in North York.

PRISON POPULATION SHOWS A DECREASE Fewer Penitentiary Inmates for Past Year Than for Previous Period

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The report of the Department of Justice for the year ending March 31, 1908, issued today, shows that the average daily population of the six penitentiaries was 1,415, a decrease of 16 compared with 1,431 in 1907. The total number of inmates during the year, as compared with 167 in the previous year. The percentage of males was 21, being the same number as in the previous year. The deaths and escapes totalled 14. The increase in the number of paroles was justified by results, according to the report of the Dominion parole office.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY Interesting Paper Read By Rev. Canon Bealman

For Railway Commissioner Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—Andrew Strang, a pioneer merchant, is left for Ottawa last night. It is said that he will receive an appointment on the railway commission, the Winnipeg Board of Trade having recommended him for the position.

More London Mail Tremors. London, Jan. 18.—J. J. Hill's threat that he will carry his railway lines north to Winnipeg, is says the Daily Mail, a menace to the imperial tie. The Canadian Northwest is the cockpit of the Empire, and a struggle now beginning there shows that Americans have realized the fact, if Britain has not altogether grasped its significance.

Montreal School Damaged. Montreal, Jan. 18.—Fire ran from cellar to roof of the Royal Arthur school on Workman street this morning, and the western end of the building, containing six classrooms, was completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$7,000. The caretaker was the only one in the building when the fire broke out.

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Church Damaged. Renfrew, Jan. 18.—The Baptist church here was badly damaged by fire and water yesterday.

Grand Trunk Earnings Increase. Montreal, Jan. 18.—Grand Trunk earnings for the week ending January 14 show an increase of \$22,485.

Well Known Montrealer Dead. Montreal, Jan. 18.—Angus W. Hooper, one of the most widely known and popular men in the city, president of the Dow Brewing company, died today after a week's illness. He was born in 1857. Mr. Hooper was consul for Denmark in Montreal.

Political Rumors. Toronto, Jan. 18.—It is stated in a special to the Evening News that a rumor in Newmarket says Hon. A. E. Aylesworth, minister of justice, will retire from the government at Ottawa to accept an important position in the gift of the government. In the event of his retirement, it is said that P. C. Robbette, of Toronto, will be the Liberal candidate in North York.

URGENT IMPORT DUTY ON ROUGH LUMBER Tariff Committee of Manufacturers' Association to Assist Province

Vancouver, Jan. 18.—The tariff committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association will, among other things, press the Dominion government early in the session to impose an import duty of 25 per cent on rough lumber similar to that produced in British Columbia. According to Chas. L. Campbell, member and president of the well known Torpedo manufacturer, now in this city, the lumber schedules was made last year by the Vancouver board of trade. Mr. Campbell is a member of the tariff committee because the local board of trade did not want the protection which continued exemption of duties on certain varieties of hardwoods used by carriage and implement manufacturers in Eastern Canada will be sought.

CURLERS WELCOMED Canadians Warmly Greeted on Their Arrival at Liverpool

KILLED BY TRAIN Sleighload of Grimsey People Struck By Fast Express on Grand Trunk Railway

Hurt by a Train. Yorkton, Sask., Jan. 18.—Wm. Meakin, a man of 67 years of age, residing near Sault Lake, while attempting to board Saturday's eastbound express here, slipped and fell between the train and the station platform. Two trucks of the rear coach passed over his right arm near the shoulder, and he was badly injured on the face and body. It was found necessary to amputate his arm. It is not expected that he will survive the shock.

Wreck of the Alice. Astoria, Jan. 18.—Few details of the wreck of the Alice are obtainable, though the report that officers and crew landed safely on the beach is confirmed tonight. The vessel is believed to be already breaking up. It is understood that the vessel was insured as it is customary with French owners.

Montreal Musician Dead. Montreal, Jan. 18.—Ernest Lavigne, one of Montreal's best known musicians, died this afternoon after a lingering illness. He was born in 1857.

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SASKATCHEWAN RAILWAY POLICY

Government Proposes Guarantee of Bonds to Secure Extensions

Regina, Jan. 18.—A bill was brought down in the Saskatchewan legislature today providing for a guarantee of bonds to the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern railways to the extent of thirteen thousand dollars per mile. About seven hundred miles of new railway will be built in this province this year.

Suffering at Messina. Messina, Jan. 18.—A strong undulation of the sea this afternoon caused much alarm here and resulted in the fall of the remnants of a number of six-story walls. No one was known, no one was killed. The situation for the refugees still here is very serious. They have found shelter in tents, but for the last day or two, a cold north wind has prevailed, and there has been a fall of snow, a very rare occurrence on the Sicilian coast.

SEATTLE TRAGEDY Bodies of W. L. Seesley, His Wife and Daughter Found With Heads Immersed in Water

Seattle, Jan. 18.—With their heads submerged in water in a bath room at the home of Mrs. Seesley, the bodies of her husband, W. L. Seesley, his wife and daughter, Miss Rene, were found yesterday by E. W. Zibbell and Guy M. Seesley. The bodies were found in a room which was used by Mrs. Seesley and Zibbell as a bedroom. Mrs. Seesley and her daughter had been found in the bath room, and the bodies of her husband and daughter were found in the water. The bodies were found in a room which was used by Mrs. Seesley and Zibbell as a bedroom.

ORDERING LOCOMOTIVES Montreal, Jan. 18.—The Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Pacific railway companies respectively have ordered 20 and 25 new locomotives from the Montreal locomotive works. The former are to be of the Pacific type and the latter of a smaller type. The locomotives are to be delivered in early spring.

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HUNTING AND FISHING, HERE AND ELSEWHERE

THE BIG GAME SEASON IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

THE late and inclement spring of 1908 had, without doubt, much to do with the deficient horn growth of so many of the trophies obtained this autumn in British Columbia. May was far advanced before the snow finally left the feeding grounds of the deer; even as late as June in Northern British Columbia we saw white goats in numbers feeding within 50 ft. of tide water, an unheard-of proceeding. Exceptions there were, of course, to the long list of mediocrities obtained by European sportsmen, notably a magnificent 60 in. moose killed by Count Karl Hoyos in the Cassiar mountains, and another of 64 in. shot by Mr. Oberlander in the same locality; but both these fine heads were dwarfed by a marvelous 70 in. moose from the Yukon, shot by Mr. Thompson. This grand trophy was exhibited in Victoria for some days, where it excited universal admiration, owing to the unique cluster of brow points on either horn, each point not less than 5 in. in diameter, and an even dozen of them all told. The palmation of this head left nothing to be desired, and it is doubtful if a finer specimen of a North American moose has ever been obtained in recent years.

Moose have been very numerous in the Cassiar mountains this season, but in the majority of instances the heads have been disappointing, caused, without doubt, by the late spring and the indifferent growth of pasturage. Messrs. Bailey, Stern, and Powell, whose main camp was established in the vicinity of Teslin Lake, in Cassiar, saw as many as eight bull moose in a day, and not one of them a shootable beast. Their bag included four sheep, half a dozen caribou, and one moose. These sportsmen used admirable discretion in the selection of their heads, very different from the actions of certain so-called sportsmen of a nationality that shall be nameless, who exacted the full toll of heads allowed them by their licences, regardless of size, beam, spread, or any other condition whatsoever.

Mr. Bailey had one wide caribou head of perfect symmetry with forty-seven points. Mr. J. G. Millais, whose health gave way completely, owing to the inclemency of the weather during the stalking season, obtained one fine caribou and two moose before he was compelled to beat a retreat for civilization. His caribou was a fifty-four pointer, and, though not a big head in the ordinary sense of the word, will be a notable addition to his remarkable collection of fine heads from the Newfoundland barrens. Count Ernest Hoyos hunted up the head waters of the MacMillan river, entering the country from White Horse, half-way up the Skagway-Dawson trail. His bag included three fine moose, five caribou, three sheep, and two grizzly bears, one of the latter a monster.

Only the expense of a trip into Cassiar prevents that isolated region from being inundated with sportsmen, and the game seriously reduced in numbers in a very short space of time; but as conditions exist at present Cassiar seems likely to be one of the few remaining sanctuaries for North American big game for many years to come. Moose are increasing annually, caribou are plentiful, and sheep very numerous. The sheep of Cassiar is of the type known to science as *Ovis stonoi*, forming the central connecting link between *Ovis dalli*, the white sheep of Cook's Inlet, Alaska, and the true Rocky Mountain bighorn of Southern British Columbia and the Kootenays. Even though the four distinct types are now generally recognized as belonging to one and the same species, it would be difficult to find two specimens of more divergent characteristics than a 14 in. sheep obtained this season by Mr. Fleischman in Cassiar and one of 17 1/2 in. obtained by Mr. Bryan Williams in the mountains of South-Eastern Kootenay. Mr. Fleischman's handsome trophy has a wide, open spread of 44 in., totally unlike the massive, close-in curl of Mr. Williams's fine head, less than 30 in., at its widest points. Mr. Williams's specimen is the third in size ever obtained in North America, and in the band that contained this fine ram was another even larger, that was feeding out of sight when the shot was fired. There were a dozen rams all told in the band, and a 15 1/2 in. head that fell to Mr. Williams's second shot would have recompensed most men for the hardships of a trip in the Kootenays.

The best bag of bears this season was undoubtedly that of Messrs. Burton, Wrigley, and Pooley, who obtained thirteen black and two grizzlies up one of the northern inlets. Their hunt took place soon after the snow disappeared, when the skins were in perfect condition, and certainly the pelts obtained on this trip were generally admitted to be the best brought down during recent years. During five weeks' hunting no fewer than fifty different bears were seen in a country less than a hundred miles south of Prince Rupert.

Regarding the wapiti of Vancouver Island there is no great success to be recorded. Sir John Rogers, with four packers to carry his outfit, raided the northern end of Vancouver Island with but poor success, the solitary head obtained by him being that of a second-rate ten-pointer. Sir John's experiences among the tangled underbrush and dense thickets of the island, combined with weather of the worst description, would deter anyone but the most ardent from a chase of the Vancouver wapiti.

Sir John was succeeded by Messrs. Sage and Doering, who packed into the interior from Quatsino Sound on the west coast. They traveled with their packs across to the east coast and returned to civilization down the Nimpkish River. They reported having seen many wapiti, including one remarkably fine stag that out-manoeuvred them among the trees, forcing them to rest content with just

an average ten-pointer. The deer they saw were generally ridiculously tame, and quite unaware of the destructiveness of an ordinary rifle. The stag they obtained was shot as he lay, surrounded by a dozen big hinds, who paid not the slightest attention to the death of their lord and master, but contentedly continued to browse in the vicinity, while the hunters made short work with their skinning knives. Hunting wapiti on Vancouver Island is, however, heart-breaking work, timber crawling pure and simple, and lacking in every detail the essentials of an honest stalk. It is also impossible to ascertain whether the track one is pursuing is that of a warrantable stag or the footprint of some miserable brocket. Probably the largest grizzly bear of the season was killed by Mr. O'Reilly up the Kemano Valley, a monster 9 ft. 6 in. in length, but with only a second-class hide.

Blacktail deer, the common deer of the British Columbian seaboard, Vancouver Island, and the mountains of the mainland as far north as the Skeena and Naas rivers, have been unusually plentiful this season. I have personally examined nearly 300 of these deer since the opening of the season, the majority

are still examples of this quaint little bear roaming through the thickets and forests of Gribbell Island.—J. H. Wrigley, in the Field.

PUNT GUNNING IN ENGLAND

Punt gunning is no work for the armchair sportsman; between game shooting and wildfowling on the water there is a vast hiatus. While the former exacts nothing beyond steady walking in the way of endurance, and allows movement enough to keep one's blood warm in any weather, the latter demands from its followers not only hard, rough work, and the very considerable strain of lying cramped up in the punt, but at the same time withholds for long spells the warmth-giving exercise which would render not unpleasant the bitter cold that brings the wildfowler the cream of his sport. Nothing will more quickly find out a man's weak points than punt gunning—and, if weak points there be, he is a wise man who, however reluctantly, abandons once and for all this very sport of sports in favor of shooting which necessitates neither the strain nor the exposure. One might say, too, that there is a further great distinction between the two forms of shooting in that, while the game shooter when he goes out knows that his birds will be there and that he will come, or the birds will be brought, within shot, the wildfowler has first to find the whereabouts of his birds and then to fight all the chances which conspire against his efforts to gain a range at which a shot may be made.

The fascination which punt gunning exercises over its votaries must often be a matter for wonder on the part of those who know what the wildfowler has to endure and also the uncertainty which attends his undertakings. It mainly arises from the battle of wits and caution ever going on between the fowler on the one side and the fowl on the other. And how often the fowler finds himself on the losing side! He may set up to Brent or widegeon a dozen times in the day and never once succeed in bringing himself near enough for a shot. Sir Ralph Payne-Gallwey wrote in one of his well-known books:

"To stalk in a punt a number of fowl, whether geese or duck, on broad, shelterless waters will often require the manoeuvring of a general, the patience, silence, and cunning of an experienced deer-stalker, and the hardihood and pluck of a lifeboat crew, together with the cool, watchful eye of its coxswain. The chances are always, save on the rarest occasions, in favor of the birds and against the shooter. . . . We have known men accustomed to tiger-shooting, to elephant-slaying, to stalking of every sort and kind, to salmon-fishing, and to all the sports and most of the excitements of the world, admit that during the few minutes previous to drawing in shot of a vast assembly of wild-fowl, with a big swivel-gun cocked and ready before them as they lay prone in the punt, their hearts seemed to beat louder than ever they did before. At such a moment an intense anxiety takes possession of the merest novice lest the birds should fly off before he can obtain a shot. . . . Perhaps he gets within shot, aims true, and then picks up his score, or two of beautifully plumaged birds; but it must be observed that this is no easy matter except under the most favorable conditions of wind and tide. . . . A sportsman once touched with the fever of wild-fowl shooting aforesaid, or who has once felt the charm of success in this fascinating and scientific sport, will never give it up so long as his strength will stand the exposure it is necessary to undergo."

The punt gun, if double-handed—that is, if built to carry a puntsman as well as the gunner—measures some 22 ft. in length and some 3 ft. 6 in. amidships, and supports a gun up to 170 lb. or so in weight. Smaller double-handed punts carrying a lighter gun are often used, however. The single-handed punt, in which all the work is done by the gunner, and a gun up to 110 lb. or so is carried, averages 18 ft. in length and 3 ft. amidships. On the more sheltered waters fowling very frequently use a punt of a length of but little, if anything, over 17 ft. and a width amidships of no more than 2 ft. 10 in. A punt of this class will carry a gun up to 70 lb. weight. It makes a very fast craft, often an immense advantage in these days of competition, when so many pairs of eyes are watching for the fowl.

When setting up to fowl in deep water a double-handed punt is propelled by the puntsman by means of an oar sculled in a rowing-spur aft, and in shallows by the setting pole, a short pole used to push against the bottom. In a single-handed punt paddles take the place of the oar. The gunner lies flat in the punt and propels himself by means of a short paddle held in either hand, his arms stretched through openings in the coaming and over the side decks. The paddles, feathered for the forward movement, are kept quiet under the water. In shallows they are pushed against the bottom. They are fastened by cords to the gunwale. When the gunner calculates that he is within extreme range of the fowl, he drops the left-hand paddle and uses the free hand to the gun, while with the remaining paddle he endeavors to steal yet nearer.

The punt gun, according to the size of the punt and the waters on which it is used, may be anything between a 50 lb. gun, 5 ft. in the barrel and firing 4 oz. or 5 oz. of shot, and one from 9 ft. to 10 ft. in length, weighing upwards of 200 lb. and firing 2 1/2 lb. of shot with safety. The guns most often used on our coasts are the 1 1/2 in. bore and the 1 1/4 inch bore, firing charges of about 1 1/2 lb. and 1 lb. respectively. The punt gun lies in a crutch, the shank of which turns in a socket in the gun-beam, this allowing free horizontal movement. Its recoil is taken up by the punt through what is

known as the breeching rope, a rope passing through a hole in the stem of the punt and its looped ends fitting over the trunnions of the gun. The required elevation is governed by a gun rest, which can be silently pushed forwards or drawn backwards, according to the angle required. A punt gun properly balanced in its crutch can be instantly tilted and guided by one hand when a shot has to be taken at fowl off the water.

Let us take a glance at the punt-gunner when a hard-won success is in store for him. For the past hour or two he has been waiting on a company of widegeon; but hitherto, for one or more of the various reasons which, when he considers himself safe from interference, weigh with the experienced wildfowler in deciding upon the right moment to set up to fowl, he has not seen fit to act. Now, at last, everything appears in his favor. From a point full half a mile away he begins his stealthy approach towards the birds. His limbs are stiff from the long wait, his hands feel frozen as he grasps the paddles which guide him forward. Excitement is already strong upon him, for he knows that the chances against a satisfactory shot are quite ten to one. Now he is not a hundred and fifty yards away. Every moment he expects his hopes to be dashed to the ground. His heart beating quickly, he has at last worked the punt within a hundred yards—to a novice the birds might seem not much more than 50 yards away, so difficult is it without experience to judge distance on the water when one's eyes are but just peering along the surface from a low-lying punt. A shot of a kind is certain now, for, considering the wildness of the fowl, the gunner feels that he will be justified in firing at the 100-yards range should no nearer approach be possible. One hand is already at the gun. Paddling with the other hand, the gunner is still reducing the distance. Every yard gained means a difference in the probable results of the shot. Now he is but 90 yards away, now 80, now 70, now no more than 60, and yet not a widegeon has become aware of his presence. Sixty yards! The ideal range. He has "got there" with a vengeance this time. For a moment he pauses, trigger string in hand. Instinct, or something very much like it, born of experience in failure and success, tells him the chances of his shot will be better off the water than on it. Gently he taps with his toe on the floor of the punt. As though animated by one mind, the widegeon spring from the water—and almost at the same instant the big gun booms forth and the spreading charge cuts a lane through the thickest of the birds. The gunner is sitting in his punt now, stretching his cramped limbs and rubbing his frozen hands together. For a brief time he keeps his eye on the speeding fowl, but not a bird drops away from their ranks. A 60-yards shot is a clean shot. One weak cripple is secured by the 12-bore. Then the gunner gathers and counts his birds, over a score of them, it may be, and is more than ever rooted in the conviction that there is no such strenuous and exciting sport as wildfowling.—The Times.

DUCK SHOOTING IN SIND

The method of driving ducks over the shooters, as practised in the Sind Jheels, certainly gives some exciting sport. The number of species seen, and their different modes of flight, prevents shooting from becoming monotonous. Not the least interesting part of the day is when, the shooting over, one goes through the collection of eight or ten kinds of ducks and teal, picking out for careful examination the rarer ones. As will have been observed, the common wild duck, or mallard, is numerous in Sind, while in many other parts of India is comparatively rare. Perfect knowledge of the huge jheels near which they spend their lives has made the Shadipally coolies extremely expert in getting the birds over the guns. Neither B. nor I went to Shadipally with a view of making a big bag. We began our shooting late and left off early, and altogether took things very easily. We left perfectly satisfied with our sport, and got as many birds as we could dispose of. We felt it would have been selfish to shoot more. One unfortunate feature about the shooting is the number of lost birds. At least 20 per cent of the ducks shot are never gathered. Some are no doubt hidden by the coolies for their own use, but quite apart from that, the high thick reeds prevent many cripples and a fair proportion of dead birds from ever being recovered. The last day I lost two mallards, which fell apparently stone dead in rushes a foot or eighteen inches high. I believe one's bag would be increased and the number of lost birds reduced by using a 12-bore, chambered for the long shell.

Only twelve sportsmen, of whom five were Englishmen, visited Cassiar this year, and their sport was much curtailed by the bad weather which prevailed throughout the month of September. Messrs. F. Stern, D. Powell, and F. Bailey got moose sheep (*Ovis stonoi*) and caribou (one caribou head secured by Mr. Stern being a very massive one. Mr. Max Fleischmann obtained a record head (44 in.) of *Ovis stonoi*, and Mr. Butler had three perfect sheep heads, whilst Lieut. Dalgleish also had good sport with these animals at the head of Dease Lake. Mr. J. G. Millais, who came out on Sept. 29, secured two fine moose, two caribou—one an exceptionally fine head of fifty-three points—a large black bear, and a 7 ft. grizzly bear, the latter obtained on the Stickine river. Three feet of snow was experienced by hunters on the high ground on Sept. 25, which made hunting, except for moose, impossible.



THE ADOPTED FATHER
Abdul Hamid.—"Well, if Anyone Had Told Me a Year Ago That I Should Come to This!"

having been shipped from up-coast points to the Vancouver market. The provident game laws prohibit the sale of does; hence a good opportunity was afforded to examine in the flesh the heads of a vast proportion of bucks. The blacktail certainly exhibits a curiously divergent type of horn growth. Stags of roset and 11st., clean, were found with ten points on their horns no longer or larger than the fingers of an outstretched hand, while smaller deer had developed heads of far finer proportions than the fat, heavy beasts above referred to. Either the blacktail is deteriorating from inbreeding, or the lack of horn-producing food has been far greater this season than we had previously imagined. The greatest number of points on any of these 300 bucks did not exceed twelve.

With regard to the white goat (*Haplourus montana*), sportsmen need be under no apprehension as to the diminution of these animals, for from one end of British Columbia to the other there is scarcely a single range of mountains suitable to their tastes where they are not plentiful and increasing in numbers.

But of all the big game animals of British Columbia there are none that have aroused so much interest as the quaint little white bears of Gribbell Island, exciting a world of controversy far beyond the confines of the Pacific Slope, and out of all proportion to their insignificant hides. Opinion seems to be about equally divided between those who persist in asserting that *Ursus kermodei*, as the specimens are figured in the Provincial Museum at Victoria, British Columbia, is nothing more or less than the albino of the common black bear, and those who would recognize it as a new and interesting species. During the present summer supporters of the latter theory have been encouraged by the arrival of three additional specimens from the recesses of Gribbell Island, a fact that has caused some doubt to be thrown on such an extraordinary preponderance of albinos on this particular island. Though their three weeks' hunt proved fruitless, it is gratifying to know that there

SPLENDID WHITEWEAR SALE ECONOMIES NOW OFFERED



This Nightdress, the Slip-over style, made of fine soft cambric, low neck finished with Swiss embroidered yoke edged with filet lace, with ribbon inserted. Price **\$1.15**



This Corset Cover, made of fine Swiss Embroidery in a very rich and handsome design, straps over shoulder of embroidery, a very rich and dainty cover. Price **\$1.00**

Some Whitewear Sale Values

A BIG CROWD attended the first day of the Whitewear Sale and today will no doubt see an even greater one. Everybody was delighted with the bargains shown, delighted with the garments themselves, as this season's showing is very attractive indeed. Special attention is directed to the big values shown at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, and to the sale of the finest hand made French Whitewear at greatly reduced prices. Today offers more good bargains in Whitewear than can be had again this season. It will pay you to take advantage of these chances.

MUSLIN BLOUSES, dainty styles, trimmed with embroidery, insertion and lace. White-wear sale price . . . **35¢**
MUSLIN BLOUSES, very pretty styles, neatly trimmed with laces and insertions. White-wear Sale Price . . . **50¢**



These drawers, made of fine cambric, with frills of Swiss embroidery in a very neat design. Price **35¢**

MUSLIN BLOUSES, some very handsome patterns with pretty embroidered fronts. White-wear Sale Price . . . **90¢**
MUSLIN BLOUSES, fine muslin with pretty trimmings of lace and insertion. White-wear Sale Price **\$1.25**



This Corset Cover, made of fine cambric, has four rows of torchon insertion down front, neck and sleeves are edged with torchon lace. Price is **35¢**



This Skirt, made of fine cambric, with twenty-four inch flounce of muslin, edged with four rows filet insertion edged with filet lace. This skirt is a beauty. Price **\$2.25**

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT 50¢
Three Styles of Drawers
Three Styles of Corset Covers
Two Styles of Nightdresses
Two Styles of Underskirts

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT 65¢
Three Styles of Drawers
Two Styles of Underskirts
Three Styles of Corset Covers
Three Styles of Nightdresses

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT 85¢
Two Styles of Nightdresses
Two Styles of Drawers
Three Styles of Corset Covers
Three Styles of Underskirts

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT \$1.00
Six Styles of Corset Covers
Eight Styles of Nightdresses
Three Styles of Chemise
Nine Styles of Underskirts

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT \$1.25
Three Styles of Corset Covers
Two Styles of Drawers
Eight Styles of Nightdresses
Ten Styles of Underskirts

WHITEWEAR SPECIALS AT \$1.50
Four Styles of Underskirts
Four Styles of Drawers
Nine Styles of Nightdresses
Three Styles of Corset Covers

Special Bargains from Different Sections on Sale Friday

Friday Bargains in the Silk Department

Each of the lines mentioned are values quite out of the ordinary. The same conditions apply to this department as to all others. We do not want to carry over any odd lines, remnants, or incomplete assortment. Therefore we offer many of these lines at less than half-price.

- GEISHA SILKS, colors pink, light blue, old rose, cardinal, reseda, old gold, light grey, drab, electric blue, mauve and navy. Regular 50c. Friday **25¢**
- SILK AND CREPE GAUZE, 40 inches wide, colors, white, black, apple green and heliotrope. Reg. 50c and \$1.00. Friday . . . **25¢**
- MILLINERY HAT LINING, 40 inches wide, colors white and black, regular 25c. Friday **10¢**
- FANCY SILKS, rich quality in stripes and broches, light and dark colors suitable for street and evening wear. Regular \$1.50 to \$2.50. Friday **\$1.00**
- NEW SILKS, just received, an assortment of stripes and checks. Reg. 75c to 90c. Friday **50¢**
- JAPANESE TAFFETA SILK, 27 inches wide, colors, pink, light blue, navy, gold, grey, fawn, mauve, heliotrope, emerald, and bronze. Regular 50c. Friday **35¢**
- BLACK TAFFETA SILKS, special values for Friday at 50c, 65c, 85c and . . . **\$1.25**

Staple Department Specials for Friday

These are lines that everybody knows the value of, and can see at once that they are bargains. In fact you don't often get the chance to buy these articles at such big savings. It will pay you to see these bargains.

- FANCY KIMONA FLANNELETTE, 36 in. wide, dark and medium shades, very fancy floral patterns with and without border. Reg. 35c and 25c. Friday at **10¢**
- UNBLEACHED LINEN TABLE CLOTHS, 60 x 60 in. Hemmed ready for use. Reg. 85c. Friday **50¢**
- APRON LINEN, 36 in. wide sun bleached, good heavy quality. Regular 25c. Friday **15¢**
- CANTON FLANNEL, unbleached, good wearing quality, 24 in. wide. Reg. 10c. Friday **5¢**
- STRIPED SHIRTING FLANNELETTE, very wide, good assortment of staple stripes. Regular 15c. Friday **10¢**
- UNBLEACHED LINEN TABLE CLOTHS, 60 x 70 in., hemmed ready for use. Regular \$1.25. Friday **75¢**

FRIDAY BARGAINS IN THE MEN'S STORE

A particularly strong lot of values are offered for Friday in the Men's Clothing Store. During this month we have sold an enormous lot of goods in this section, and now, as it draws near to the end of the month, we must clear out all odd lines and broken lots preparatory to stock-taking. The lines mentioned are worth your serious consideration, as some splendid bargains are to be had.

- MEN'S FIT RITE SUITS, some of our very best lines are to be found in this lot, being Fit Rites the style and quality is assured. Single and double-breasted styles are shown in fancy tweeds and worsteds in neat designs. Sleeves finished with cuffs and four buttons. Regular \$22.50 to \$30.00. Friday and Saturday **\$15.45**
- MEN'S FIT RITE SUITS, in lower priced grades, good styles in double and single-breasted effect, made of tweeds and worsteds in new patterns. Reg. \$18.00 to \$20.00. Friday and Saturday **\$11.45**
- MEN'S SUITS, in Fit Rite and other makes, some splendid bargains in this lot of suits, regular to \$15.00. Friday and Saturday **\$9.45**
- MEN'S SUITS, some fine garments for common wear, good stylish garments, well made of strong, serviceable cloths, regular values, \$10.00 to \$12.50. Friday and Saturday **\$6.45**
- MEN'S PANTS, made of strong tweeds and worsteds, regular value \$3.75. Friday and Saturday **\$2.50**
- MEN'S PANTS, made of heavy, serviceable tweeds and worsteds, regular \$2.25 to \$2.50. Friday and Saturday **\$1.75**

A Clean Sweep in the Shoe Department

Prior to stocktaking we intend making a clean sweep of all our odd lines of shoes, and with this purpose in view we have put upon our tables shoes at even greater bargain prices than ever. We would impress upon our customers that these goods are not in any sense old stock, but merely the balance of our Fall Stock. Among the many money savers we would emphasize the following lines:

- Big Bargains for Big Men. A collection of oddments in big sizes in Men's Boots, regular prices of which are from \$2.50 to \$5.50. Sizes 8 to 12 only. Price Friday **\$1.75**
- We are making big reductions on all our winter lines of Men's "Quite Right" Shoes. These are American made, up-to-date styles and thoroughly reliable in every way.
- Women's Boots and Oxfords, gunmetal calf and vici kid, in tan and black. These are all of American make, and amongst them are many odd lines of "Queen Quality" Shoes. All sizes from 2½ to 8. Price Friday **\$2.50**
- All our Women's Boots and Oxfords, in half leather and Dongola kid. Regularly sold at \$3.00. All sizes from 2½ to 8. Price Friday **\$1.75**
- Your Choice of Infants' Boots and Slippers in black, tan and red. Reg. values up to \$1.50. Friday **65¢**

Friday Bargains in the Mantle Section

As the assortments and quantities get smaller in this department the bargains get decidedly larger and better, as we are reducing numerous oddments and all articles that we wish to clear in the most emphatic manner. All the lines offered are this season's goods, but they must be cleared.

- WOMEN'S SKIRTS, the balance of a lot of \$6.50 to \$8.50 skirts go on sale Friday. All good styles in various colors, nearly all plain colors. These skirts are our regular lines and are perfectly made and splendid fitting. Regular values \$6.50 to \$8.50. Friday **\$3.00**
- WOMEN'S SKIRTS, some of our very best lines included, an exceptional chance to buy a stylish, strictly high-grade tailored skirt at a small price. Some very handsome skirts included in this offering. Reg. prices from \$9.75 to \$15.00. Friday **\$5.75**
- WOMEN'S WRAPPERS AND HOUSE DRESSES, made of flannelette and other good materials for that purpose. Regular prices \$1.75 and \$2.00. Friday **\$1.00**
- DRESSING GOWNS, made of handsome designs in heavy velour flannelette in different shades. Reg. price \$2.50. Friday . . . **\$1.75**
- DRESSING JACKETS, made of good quality flannelette in a variety of colorings, and very appropriate patterns. Regular price \$1.75. Friday . . . **75¢**
- CHILDREN'S COATS, a fair assortment of good styles in all kinds of cloths for children of various ages, some rare bargains in this offering. Reg. values up to \$12.50. Friday **\$2.50**

Friday Sale of Women's and Children's Hats

In this department when it comes to this time in the season, we make reductions without considering the former price or the cost. Many of these lines will be sold on Friday for a mere fraction of what they cost us.

- CHILDREN'S SAILOR HATS, in various shades of felt. These formerly sold for up to \$1.50. Friday **50¢**
- WOMEN'S UNTRIMMED FELT SHAPES, a clearing out of all shapes. Some were \$4.00. Friday . . . **50¢**
- WOMEN'S TRIMMED HATS, this season's styles, were up to \$7.50. Friday at **\$2.50**
- WOMEN'S TRIMMED HATS, some handsome styles. Hats that were up to \$15.00. Friday . . . **\$5.00**

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Attempt at Highway Robbery By Two Russians Causes Much Bloodshed

THREE DEAD, MANY HURLED

Bandits Brought to Bay, Shot Themselves—One Found Dead

London, Jan. 23.—Three persons were killed and 21 injured at Walthamstow, a suburb of London, as a result of a sensational attempt today by two Russians at highway robbery. The men were run down and surrounded by a posse, and one of them fatally committed suicide. The other attempted suicide, but did not succeed. He is now in a critical condition at Tottenham hospital.

Two of their victims, a policeman and a boy of ten, lie dead, while five of the injured are seriously wounded. London is breathless over the sensational introduction into its peaceful streets of Russian revolutionary methods. It was thought at first that the assassins were Cubans, but the injured bandit admitted tonight that he is a native of Riga, Russia, and came to England 10 years ago. One of the volunteers used by the men was found to be of the same type that was used by Russian revolutionists.

The bandits, who were evidently acquainted with the routine of payment on Saturday of the employees at a rubber factory at Walthamstow, hid up an auto containing the employees' wages at the entrance to the works and made off with the money. They were followed by a few employees and by a gradually increasing crowd of police and civilians, some of whom were armed.

The police jumped aboard a trooper and the bandits, finding themselves closely pursued, jumped about their car and forced the driver to repeatedly empty his revolver at the car along at full speed. One of the men ran to the rear of the car and repeatedly emptied his revolver at the pursuers. Reinforcements of arm police, on foot, on bicycles and horses joined the chase, and the auto was fired.

The car went thundering down a street, with the mounted and bicyclist police straining every effort to keep up with the pacemakers. Near the Tottenham market the bandits made the motorman slow down, a jumping off made for the count district. An auto was pressed into service by the police, and it was overhauling the assassins when they look to the marches. The pursuit through the treacherous ground was difficult and dangerous, but eventually the police succeeded in overtaking one of them, who, finding his position hopeless, turned the weapon upon himself, inflicting a dangerous though fatal wound.

The other man, failing to reach forest, took refuge in a cottage where the police, now reinforced by dozens of hunters who were in the vicinity, the house, first assaulted and then stormed. They found the assassin on the floor. He had sent a bullet into his head.

Late tonight the wounded man was identified as Paul Ivanoff, 37. The other, who was known as Jack, is said to have been a prominent Russian revolutionist.

PLAGUE AT GUAYAQUIL

South American Seaport Reports Increase in Cases This Month

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 23.—There have been fifteen new cases of bubonic plague in Guayaquil since January 1st. Five of the patients died, six have been cured and 11 are still in the hospital. The plague has made appearance at the village of Tumbaco near Guayaquil. There have been 32 cases since the first of the year, with over sixty per cent of fatalities.

HARRIMAN'S CLAIM

U. S. Senate Opposed to Reimbursement for Colorado River Diversion Expenditure

Washington, Jan. 23.—That President Roosevelt's recommendation of an appropriation to reimburse E. Harriman for the expenditure \$1,000,000 by the Southern Pacific Railway company to control the flow of the Colorado river into the sink a few years ago, will be disregarded by congress now appears probable. Hearings on this recommendation have been conducted by a sub-committee of the senate committee on claims, composed of Senators Keene, Smoot and Martin. Considerable opposition to the appropriation is raised by Senator Smoot, on ground that the Southern Pacific Railway company spent most of the amount in protecting its own property and the property of the California Development company, in southern California, which is said to be controlled by the Harriman interests instead of making appropriation million or more dollars to pay the amount which President Roosevelt says is due to Mr. Harriman. It seems likely that the committee will leave this claim to the courts for judgment.

Miner Commits Suicide

Michel, Jan. 23.—Simon Michel, Hungarian miner, about forty years old, committed suicide today by hanging himself by a strap suspended from a door knob. In letters found in his shack he assigned the cause of his death to unhappy love and a craze for drink. He left a wife and four children in the country. A coroner's jury will investigate the case tonight.