are making ive, in felts



worsteds and tweeds, to \$5.75, for . . \$3.75 to \$4.50, for . . \$2.75 to \$3.00, for . . \$2.25

o, for ......\$1.75

# 1035

BOOTS, dull kid tops, ality." Regular price

OT, tip, welted, high ty." Regular \$5.50.

patent tip, Goodyear irch support, "Queen io. Sale Price \$3.45

asteful Than 60c tes at . . . 60c

# The Semi-Weekly Colonist, VOL. L. NO. 316.

VICTORIA, B. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1910.

FORTY MEN

DIE IN STORN

Remer der wirden bei bei der der wirden d

Celestial Visitant Should Be Visible From Victoria Now

Far be it from us to mislead a trusting public or diffuse mis-information in the belief that we know anything about astrology or astronomy or any other kind of clogy or onomy, but we have been given to understand that when the spectacles of the closest Victorian have finally picked up the comet, it will have the appearance of a few yards, of star dust, somewhat brighter at one end than at the ofha few yards of star dust, somewhat brighter at one end than at the ofher. We also have been given to understand that although some astronomers declare the earth will eventually pass through the Comet's tail, comets have no bad manners such as are displayed by crecodiles and whales and other amphibia with tails, and that Halley's pet will positively not take a crack at us with his anterior appendage. In view of this assurance of forbearance, we are constrained to pendage. In view of this assurance of forbearance, we are constrained to wish the Comet a very happy 75 years and to express the earnest wish that in passing through his tail we may do so as gently as possible causing him the leest amount of pain we can, under the circumstances.

The distance of the carbinate of the continued to plant we can under the continued to plant we can under the continued to plant the carbinating one of the carbinates of th

one would not have seen there were agreed that they would not subscribe to a system of such reports.

A Telescopic Center.

The difference in the power of vision between one petron and another is partly physical and partly mental. Some minds have greater power than others to prevent the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and partly mental. Some minds have greater power than there to prevent the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and consultant in the settlement of lands in the set to prevent the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law of the part in the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law of the part in the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law. It all uphold the part is provided by the possible for the fight to take place way in the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law of the part is possible for the fight to take place way in the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law of the second of consulting with M. Wipsical and come within the law of the part is possible for the fight to take place way in the sec

"The hope has been extended that Helley's comet would stretch out to a length of 45 degrees, or 90 moons. On the occasion of any particular visit no one can predict with absolute certainty just how long it will appear. It has been seen smaller. But its true length, it must be remembered is to be measured in the telescope.

## WANDERED INTO BUSH TO DIE

Goldstream

is to be measured in the telescope or rather on the photographic plate, though even the latter will wall to catch the finest wisps of the tail's end.

"The question of the earth's passing the comet's tail turns upon Story to Police

## INDIANS MAY KILL BEAVER REVISE STATUTES

Nude Body of George Roberts Privilege Extended to Natives Charles Wilson, K. C., and A. Found on Trail Near Living in Northern British P. Luxton, K. C., Appointed P. Luxton, K. C., Appointed by Government

CLEAR GETAWAY

up his parliamentary duties.
At yesterday's meeting of the executive, the resignations were received and accepted of W. O. Carter, collector of revenue tax in the provincial assessor's office in this city, and of A. Lucas, of Kaslo, provincial assessor for the Kootenay district, the latter of whom retires from the service in order to engage in business at Vaneouver. The successors of these gentlemen have not yet been decided upon, the government having at present no fewer than four vacancies to fill in Nelson or the tributary district—those of government agent, district registrar, police magistrate and assessor.

Colostial Visitant Should Be Wishle From Victoria Now — A Dissertation.

The question of the carety possing of the falls of the carety possing of the care

# **COMMISSION TO**

Make Up Your Mind

INJURED FOOT CURED.

"I speak for Zam-Buk because it cured me of a terribly bad foot," says Mrs. Alice Berryman of 190 John St. North, Hamilton. She adds: "The injury was caused by a wagon wheel, and the sore was on my right foot. It became very inflamed and swollen and so painful that I fainted away. In spite of treatment, the wound got no better and the foot became more and more swollen until it was several times its usual size. The flesh was terribly bruised and blackened and it was quite impossible for me to walk. My husband's mother at last brought me a box of Zam-Buk. This was applied to the foot and it was surprising how soon I found relief from the severe pais. A further supply of Zam-Buk was obtained and I persevered in using this balm alone. In a couple of days the swelling had gone down considerably, the discoloration was less distinct and the pain was banished. In four days I could go about as usual: the bruised and injured foot had been thoroughly cured by the timely use of Zam-Buk, we want to be the sure of the pain was banished.

oughly cured by the timely use of Zan

COMING YEAR

Throwing Money Away

to pay for plumbing work of doubtful quality. We are thoroughly posted in our business. An order from you will promptly put all our knowledge and skill at your service. Our new shop at

HAYWARD & DODS Plumbing, Heating, Acetylene Gas Machines

"LINSEED COMPOUND" is a reliable old English COUCHS, COLDS, Asthma, Branchitia & all Lung & Throat Troubles.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

ANDREWS On the 30th, at No. MARRIED.

GREEN-ROBERTSON—At St Feter's church, Quamichan by the Ven. Arch. Scriven, John Bertram, youngest son of the late A. A. Green, of Victoria, to Annie Margarita, youngest daughter of the late James Robertson, of "Hartree," Duncans, B. C.

BROTHERTON-ADAMS — At Christ church Cathedral, December 31st, by the Rev. William Barton, Lieut. M. C. Brotherton, late of the Royal Navy, and Miss Frances C. G. Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adams, of Falmouth, Cornwall, Eng. BIRCH-DORAN-At the residence of

the bride's mother "Derravaragh" on the 29th inst., by the Rev. Father Fisser of St. Joseph's, Esquimalt, Owen, fourth son of Samuel Birch, Esq. of Plympton, England, to Alice C., sixth daughter of the late John Doran, Esq. of Esquimalt, B. C.

## We Represent:

HEAR WHY

THE GREAT HERBAL BALM

superior and different to other

salves. Contrast them! Most salves are nine-tenths animal oil or fat. Zam-Buk hasn't a trace of animal fat in it. Most salves contain mineral coloring

Vancouver Portland Cement Co'y.

and

Pacific Coast Gypsum Co'y.

Raymond

And Sons

## "If I Only Had a Beau"

A Beau"

Have you heard this song success? If not come in and we'll try the air over for you; it's fine.

"That Wasn't Al" is another good hit you should hear. You'll want both these when you hear them.

Fletcher Bros.

Western Canada's Largest Music House H

1. This is to certify that the "Vancouver Island Power Company, Limited"
(specially incorporated pursuant to Part
IV of the above mentioned Act, on the
privileges and priorities in and by Part
IV of the said Act created, granted and
conferred, has applied under section 87
of the above mentioned Act, to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, for approval of the proposed undertakings and
works of the said Company; and that
the said Company has filed with the
Clerk of the Executive Council the doeuments as resulted by section 85 of the
said Act, and also the plans showing the
situation of the proposed undertakings

salves contain mineral coloring matter. Zam-Buk is absolutely without! Many salves contain poisonous astringents. Zam-Buk doesn't.

Zam-Buk is actually more powerfully antiseptic than crude carbolic acid. Yet it stops instead of causing pain and smarting when put on a and smarting when put on a wound.

It heals more quickly than any known substance, abscesses, ulcers, eczema, blood-poisoning, outs, scalp sores, chaps and all skin injuries and diseases. All druggists and stores sell at 50c a box or Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price. Send le stamp for trial box.

Did you ever ask yourself: POISONED FINGER HEALED.
"How is it that Zam-Buk is so popular?" It is because it is Mrs. Frank St. Denis of 305 Thomp-

Mrs. Frank St. Denis of 305 Thompson St., Winnipeg, speaks for Zam-Buk because it cured her of a poisoned finger, which had caused her days of agony. Hear her experience. She says:

"One morning, while washing, I felt a slight pain in the end of my finger. This gradually got more acute until by the evening of the next day the end of the finger had become swollen and hard and so blue I became alarmed.

"The pain from it was almost too much to bear. It made me turn quite sick! Poultices of first one kind and then another were applied, but seemed to give me no relief. My daughter-in-law, who had had some previous experience with Zam-Buk obtained a box for me. I anointed the sore place liberally with this balm, and in a few hours, the throbbing aching pains were subdued."

Further applications of Zam-Buk gave me more ease, so that I could get a little sleep, ha siew days the nall came off, but after that Zam-Buk seemed to reduce the inflammation quickly I continued its use complete cure. and works; and that the said undertakings and works, as shown by the said documents and plans, have been approved, and that the same are as follows:

(a.) The construction of a dam and storage reservoir on, respectively. Bear Creek and Alligator Creek, tributaries of the Jordan River; the construction of main diverting works at a point on the Jordan River about 2.1.4 point on the Jordan River about 2.1.4 point on the Jordan River, the construction of a storage reservoir at the headwaters of the Alligator Creek, though as the Jordan Meadows; the construction of a storage reservoir on Y Creek, though as the Jordan Meadows; the construction of the said Jordan River, known as the Jordan Meadows; the construction of a flume or ditch from the said Jordan River, and the construction of a flume or ditch from the said diverting works on Y Creek as also the construction of a regulating reservoir at some point upon the land held under timber license number 33.532 and to be known as Forebay Reservoir; the construction of a flume and ditch from said main diverting works to the said power-nouse more portion of Lot 9 Rentrew District, of a power-house and the installation therein of electrical machinery for the generation of power; the construction for a pipe-line from the said Forebay Reservoir to the said power-house; the construction of a transmission line about thirty miles in length to the City of Victoria, and the erection of suitable sub-stations and apparatus to carry out all things necessary for the proper transmission of power to the said Company; the construction of reads. trails and bridges, and all other works necessary for the undertakings and works of the said Company as hereinbefore set out; the erection of powers as also telephone pole lines and telephones when and where deemed facessary, including the right to erect such poles ion the transmission of power; as also telephone pole lines and telephones when and works of the said company as hereinbefore set out; the erection of poles for the transmission of pow

## **DOCTORS NOT** ABOVE THE LAW

Widow Smith and that for a very good reason; they weren't there. And all this time the King was waiting. They tried to show him apples belonging to Smiths in Devon, others grown by Smiths in Kent, by Smiths from everywhere but it wouldn't do the King.

"The apples which I have come to see are those of the Widow Smith, o

that to the fruit of British Colunhas been awarded the palm.
One day during December last, we the show was on, the officials we thrown into almost a panic by news that King Edward VII, God binin, had arrived. Up to the door drove in state, accompanied by a nu ber of other gentlemen and when president of the borricultural con-

The True Sto

And Widow

How His Majesty Liked

Incident in Case of Forrest vs. Spears in the Supreme

Court

Somewhat of a sensational turn was given the case of Forrest vs. Spears resumed before Mr. Justice Gregory in the supreme court yesterday when it was learned that Dr. Dyke, of Duncans, who had been suppoenaed as an expert witness and for whose accommodation the case was adjourned some time ago, had declined to the case was adjourned some time ago, had declined to the case was adjourned. time ago, had declined to come to Vic-toria on the ground that as a physician

toria on the ground that as a physician he was exempt.
When this was explained to the court, Mr. Justice Gregory instructed counsel to have Dr. Dyke attend today. Before the court was adjourned his tordship again advised counsel to communicate with Dr. Dyke and see that he was in court. The evidence in the case was concluded yesterday and argument was heard on both sides so that Dr. Dyke's evidence is now of no moment.

The case was begun before the Christmas vacation and involves the contest of the original will of the late Matthew Marshall, a wealthy farmer of Cowichan. By the original will the testator left his property to his nephew John Spears but by a supplementary will which was produced at his death the major portion of the property goes will which was produced at his death the major portion of the property goes to a man named Moulton who had worked for Marshall and who had cared for him for some time prior to his death. Moulton was on the stand for a part of the time yesterday and was sharply cross-examined by the court. Another witness court. Another witness, a carpenter named Somerville, who was used to visit at Marshall's, provided some amusement by his description of the purchase of "a fiddle" by young Spears. This, Somerville declared, seemed to set the uncle against Spears. Spears had begun to take "lessons in fiddling" by mail and this had "finished him with the Old Man."

Perry Mills, K. C., counsel for Forrest, the executor, and Moulton, the contestant, occupied a large part of the Another witness, a carr

contestant, occupied a large part of the afternoon with his argument and was not finished when court adjourned until 2.30 this afternoon. Crease & Crease appear for the other side.

Earnings Increase. MONTREAL, Jan. 4.—Grand Trunk Railway earnings for the period end-ing December 31, increased \$121,973.

Killed by a Train. SHERBROOK, Que., Jan. 4.—Jim to Woods and Charles Howard, of Mesantic, were killed by a train at Echovale Crossing, near here, today. They did not hear the approaching train.

Gets Sharp Lesson.
TORONTO, Jan. 4.—F. E. Karn, I druggist, at Victoria and Queen streets, convicted for allowing girls to come into his place for improper purposes, was sentenced this morning to six months, in fall nonths in jail.

New Winnipeg Regiments.
WINNIPEG, Jan. 4.—Official authorization of the formation of the two new regiments for Winnipeg, the Highlanders and Grenadiers, has been received at the office of Col. Steele.
The work of organization will now be proceeded with in earnest and be two proceeded with in earnest and be pro-perly completed in the near future. The Highland regiment will be five huned strong and the Grenadiers four

TORONTO, Jan. 4.—The latest returns compiled this morning by the Dominion Alliance show that the result of voting throughout the province yesterday is that 63 places decided in favor of local option. In 47 places it vas defeated on account of the threewas defeated on account of the three-lifths clause. In eight places by-laws relating to local option were sustained, and in two places they were repealed. Local option therefore made a gain of 11 municipalities. In addition to the figures published, local option carried in Beckwith, Brussels, Dysart and Ren-rew. Through an error (Chapleau and Springs additionally was lost owing to the three-fifths clause. Chapleau gave a majority against the by-law and so did Pembroke.

Local Option in Ontario

frew. Through an error Chapleau and Newboro were placed in the column as lost under the three-fifths clause. Oil

Dated this 4th day of November, 1909.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE

Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council.

POULTRY AND LIVE STOCK

COR SALE—Team of mares, drivers (matched); true and free from vice; perfectly quiet and free goers. Set double driving harness, brass mounted, and double-seated democrat, in perfect repair. Price \$300. Apply H. Cun-ningham, Ganges Harbor, B. C.



### ED FINGER HEALED.

rates the street railway syse City of Victoria and adjoin-urrounding municipalities and and also supplies public and atting, and all necessary and ted extensions to this system; proposed to furnish power, light for manufacturing, indusraction purposes throughout eninsula, and throughout the orized in the Memorandum of n of the Company. The pow-developed by the use of Peiton lacking, and converted into energy, and transmitted by other wires to the required user.

other wires to the required user.

ded, however that the Comnot proceed to construct the 
reservoirs for the retention of 
il the plans and specifications 
id works shall have been first 
ne office of the Chief Enthe Public Works Departthe said plans and specifications 
in the public works Departthe said plans and specifications 
received the approval of 
Chief Engineer.

In is fauther to certify that 
ouver Island Power Company, 
shall at least have duly subfore it commences the conoff its undertaking and works 
any of the powers in that 
ferred by the "Water Clauses 
ton Act, 1887," Part IV, ten 
shares of one dollar each, 
ar amount of capital required 
mplete the undertaking and 
power leland Power Company, 
up to the amount of three 
to guaranteed by the "British 
Electric Railway Company, 
up to otherwise guaranteed 
lis is further to certify that

his is further to certify that ithin which the said capital, the extent of at least ten iclars is to be subscribed is expiration of thirty days ate hereof, and the time with-ne said undertaking and work-

## The True Story of the King And Widow Smith's Apples

How His Majesty Liked the Grimes Goldens Grown at Spence's Bridge

Friday, January 7, 1910.

This is the story of the King and the Widow Smith's apples.

It's a true story, too, and no fairy tale. The King is mone other than His Gracious Majesty, the King of Canada, as well as England and Scotland and Ireland and those other small places, while the Widow Smith, well she lives in Spence's Bridge, where she grows apples.

Over in Islington, famous Islington in Londontown, they hold a fruit show every year. Notables come there to admire and go away and tell about the fine fruit they see. Each time they have to go home and tell their wires that to the fruit of British Columbia. Has been awarded the palm.

One day during December list, when the show was on, the officials were thrown into almost a panic by the news that King Edward VII. God bless him, had arrived. Up to the door he drove in state, accompanied by a number of other gentlemen and when the president of the horticultural association and the officers and all the chief people had gathered, he announced:

Then there was some scurrying. The president and the officers and all the chief people had gathered, he announced:

Then there said. "The Duke of Aryll here teld me about them."

Then, they hastly despatched a motor to the Grittes of British Columbia, Hon. J. A. Turner, for some of Widow Smith, say leave to grow apples. Disregarding all speed lawy it was back in a trice with several big and they seem and tell about the fine fruit they could be seen to go home and tell service with the seem of the without smith and the president of the horticultural association and the officers and all the chief people had gathered, he announced:

Then there was some scurrying. The president of the horticultural association and the officers and all the chief people had gathered, he announced:

The president of the very fine the king was waiting. They side themselves. They searched high and they searched low, but they could not find the apples belonging to the Widow Smith and that for a very good reason; they weren't there. And all this time the King was waiting. The

## DOCTORS NOT FORMAL OPENING ABOVE THE LAW OF APPEAL COURT

Incident in Case of Forrest vs. New Judicial Body Commences. Spears in the Supreme

Court

Somewhat of a sensational turn was given the case of Forrest vs. Spears siven the superior control of Justice Gregory in the superior control of the case was a Zajournet for a part of the forest cours on the ground that as a physician he was exempt.

He case was explained to the communicate with Dr. Dyke and see that Dr. Dyke selfence is now of no moment.

The case was begun before the Confedence in the case was concluded yesterday and argument was heard on both sides so that Dr. Dyke and see that Dr

Sessions-Felicitations

or Sent On Appro-bation During Sale

No Goods Charged



**No Goods Charged** or Sent On Approbation During Sale

# To the Ladies and Misses

So closely is this store kept in touch with the fashion centres that we are; IN OUR JANUARY SALE, showing the most recent style representations of modes created by the Great Fashion Artists. Those who have already visited us this week have been sincere in showing their appreciation of our efforts by making a purchase.



EXCLUSIVE COATS AND SUITS FOR THE LADY OR THE MISS AT JAN-UARY SALE PRICES

## Coats

Ladies' and Misses' Coats are going fast. Our entire showing is worthy of your immediate inspection. Many are tastily trimmed in braids, velvets, and jet buttons. Others are quite plain. Values up to \$7.50. Sale Price \$5.00 Values up to \$20.00. Sale Price .....

In this department we are In Serges, Tweeds, Wor-offering Ladies' and steds, Covert, and Heavy Misses Exclusive Models, perfectly tailored, at greatly reduced prices. They are made up in Welted Serges, Tweeds, and other rough materials. Values up to \$18.00. Sale 

Wale Serges. Values up to \$27.50. Sale Price \$15. Extra good line in Navys, Greens, Browns, Blacks, made up in Tweeds, Word steds and Serges. Values up to \$35.00. Sale Price only ......\$17.50



In purchasing ready-to-wear garments, where so much is left to the honor of a house, it is best to trade where your interest will be well taken care of and where you can depend on getting the greatest possible value for your money. This month is a special one and deserving of consideration.

The Ladies' ANGUS CAMPBELL CO., Ltd. Gov't Street

No Goods Charged or Sent on Appro-

my three brother judges. In framing the act under which this court is court in court is court in the stituted it was apparently not foreseen that the appointment of the three puisine judges would be made by one order in council, thus making their appointment simultaneous.

Question of Precedence.

"The Court of Appeal act provides that these members of the court shall these members of the court shall cases on the line list were preparing."

The court of Appeal act provides that these members of the court shall cases on the line list were preparing alleged theft of certain cows.

Crease appear for the other side.

Earnings Increase.

MONTREAL, Jan. 4—Grand Trunk
Railway earnings for the period ends
ing December 31, increased 312,197.

Killed by a Train.

Woods and Charles Howard, of Montage and the formal of the statement of the arm every counsel only were any of the division of the Victoria cases the court would be enabled to give a better idea of the deficiency.

The work of organization will now be proceeded with in earnet and be properly on the first function of the same very counsel only were any of the morning to six months in fall.

New Winnipsg Regiments.

Wind with the same of the control of the two new regiments of the formal of the comparison of the two new regiments of the first work will be done on the procession. The work of organization will now be proceeded with in earnet and be properly completed in the near future. The Highlands regiment will be free four markets of the provinces of the province of the first time in perhaps ten years. The Highlands regiment will be free four interest of the province of the first time in perhaps ten years. The Highlands regiment will be free four interest of the province of the first time in perhaps ten years. The Highlands regiment will be free four interest of the province of the first first interest the public of the province of the first first interest the public of the province of the procession.

New Winnipsg Regiments.

Will be free for the province of the first time in perhaps ten years. The Highlands regiment will be free high and the sale provinces, but in the province of the province of the first time in perhaps ten years. The Highlands regiment will be free high and the sale provinces to the transport of the province of the pr

development of our judicial system. It he Highland regiment will be five hundred strong and the five hundred strong.

Local Option in Ontario.

Local Option in Ontario.

TORONTO, Jan. 4.—The latest returns compiled this morning by the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing through the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. We shall remember and look backing the province of Bittish Columbta. The province of the province of the bree-fifths clause. To light on the top of the province of the bree-fifths clause. To light on the local province of the bree-fifths clause of the province of

mamed Somerville, who was used to visit at Marshallts, provided some amusement by his description of the new court, had by virtue of their purchase of "afiddle" by young Spears. The major positions enabled those who ame before them to judge of their purchase of "afiddle" by young Spears. The major positions enabled those who ame before them to judge of their purchase of "afiddle" by young Spears. The major positions can be the mean before them to judge of their purchase of "afiddle" by young Spears. The mirror positions enabled those who ame before them to judge of their purchase of "afiddle" by young Spears. The mirror positions can be those who are provided the major provided the part of the care which had characterized their work in the past would characterize their work in the past would be able to say that my form in a most generous spirit, and the calling of th

First Case

The case of Rex vs. Presiloski, the first case the court took up, was an appeal from Judge Howay in the county court at New Westminster, and related to a charge of perjury against the defendant in connection with evidence he gave in a case affecting the alleged theft of certain cows.

Rex vs. Stickler was

Sir A. Pelletier Recovering. QUEBEC, Jan. 4—Alphonse Pelle-tier, lieutenant-governor, whose illness has caused some anxiety, is rapidly

Winnipeg Pioneer Dead. WINNIPEG, Jan. 4.—Michel Cyr, a pioneer contractor of this city, and father of J. Ernest Cyr, ex-M. P. for Provencher, died today, aged 77.

Veteran Dead Veteran Dead

ST CATHARINE, Jan. 4.—R. Hoople, aged 89 years, a son of the first white man who ever piloted a steamship through the St. Lawrence river, and a veteran of the Mackenzie rebellion of 1837 and of the Fenian raid of 1866, is dead at the general hospital after a brief illness.

## NEVER WILL THERE BE BUILT A STRONGER CREAM SEPARATOR THAN THE MAGNET EVERY part from the Cream Screw to the stand is made as

perfect as men and material can make it. There has sale of lowpriced machines. We have done just the opposite, and we now

ead the world in perfect skimming, easy operation, easy clean-A MAGNET will not wear out in the lifetime of any purchaser. No machine skimming milk requires as few repairs as the MAG-

The large bowl supported at both ends (MAGNET Patent), A perfect skimmer in one piece separating all foreign matter from the cream and milk, and easy to clean. The Brake (MAGNET Patent), that circles the bowl and stops it in eight seconds without injuring the machine. The MAG-

Magnet Cream Separator

NET will skim sitting on a pile of chips on the ground or any floor. You do not require a level and a kit of tools to set up a MAGNET, just one small wrench. The operator saves twelve days' work each year over other separators if he owns an easy to clean

Drop us a postal card and we will show that the MAG-NET will do all we promise. The Petrie Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Bead Office and Factory—HAMILTON, ONTARIO, CANADA.
Branches—Winnipeg, Regina, St. John, N.B., Drawer 91 Vancouver, B.C.,
Calgary, Montreal. \*

## JOHN JAMESON'S THREE STAR PURE POT STILL WHISKEY, made from the Finest Home-grown Mait and Corn and gelebrated for its superb quality for MORE THAN 100 YEARS. WHISKEY

JOHN JAMESON and SON, LIMITED, DUBLIN, Distillers to H.M. the King.

Subscribe for THE COLONIST Advertise in THE COLONIST

## The Colonist.

## THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST

MILK AND SUCH THINGS

The price of milk has been advanced. The price of butter keeps up. The price of eggs shows no disposition to price of eggs shows no disposition to come down. This is a matter that is worth more than a passing reference. The rapid growth of the city will lead to a yet further increase in the prices of these necessary commodities, unless more people go into the business of these necessary commodities, unless more people go into the business of these necessary commodities, unless of these necessary commodities and that the people of the interior and the common of the people have caused to expect that it shall be good until the G. T. P. Is the people have caused to expect that the people of the interior and the country of products is not governed in any lines, for there seems to be no object in doing so. Then the supply of may not be enough butter, eggs and milk or something else. No one knows, for no one is making any special effort to supply such things. After a time the population so increases and it is found necessary to provide a regular supply to a certain amount and to allow a margin for an increasing demand. Victoria and its vicinity have now reached this stage. There is a large and growing market for such farm products as are above for such farm products and its vicinity have now reached this stage. There is a large and growing market for such farm products as a reach one main cannount come down. This is a matter that is worth more than a passing reference.

the production of eggs, butter and milk en a large scale, and carried on just to the contrary we decline to believe as any other business is carried on.

There is not the least probability that the supply of these articles, and to Doubtless it would be somewhat costly,

the supply of these articles, and to Doubtless it would be somewhat costly,

the two monarchs became so strained the two monarchs became so strained that he left Brunswick without bidthem poultry may be added will keep up with the growth of the city. Henge here are openings for enterprising men, who understand these lines of the federal revenue and have a right the Balkan situation which was also beginned to the federal revenue and have a right the Balkan situation which was also beginned to the federal revenue and have a right the Balkan situation which was also beginned to the federal revenue and have a right the Balkan situation which was also beginned to the federal revenue and have a right the sales and the second to the federal revenue and have a right the sales and the second to the federal revenue and have a right to the second to the federal revenue and the second to the second to the second to the the country surrounding Victoria and the country surrounding Victoria and our climate are favorable to the production of these articles. It cannot be made too widely knewn that there is

THE COMET

the sky. One of these is Halley's and the other has not yet been identified with any previous visitor. The latter is about as bright as the former was a month ago; that is it is visible in a small telescope. It is thought that the count of 1867 return-

Sun it will increase in brightness. It is mow near the planet Mars, that is it is said to be visible to the naked eye, it ought to be possible for a sharp-eyed person to find it on a clear night. Mars is the bright red star which is seen to the eastward.

Hollweg.

So serious is the typhoid epidemic in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will boil all water before using it. There were thought to be 2,000 cases in the city possible for a clear night. Mars is the bright red water before using it. There were thought to be 2,000 cases in the city phoid epidemic in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will boil all water before using it. There were thought to be 2,000 cases in the city phoid epidemic in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will boil all water before using it. There were the far west of the plane in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will boil all water before using it. There were the plane in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will boil all water before using it. There were thought all water before using it. There were the plane is the property of the plane is the plane is the plane is the plane in Montreal that the representatives of all the city hospitals have issued a request that the people will be plane in the plane in the plane is the plan The comet is expected to grow brighter on Christmas, and the number was during January and February, after increasing. e so close to the Sun Mr. J. S. Dennis, of the Canadian that it will be invisible in the rays of Pacific, says his company has received that luminary; until the ratter part of April, when it ought to become again visible in the morning, just before sunrise. It will distance a short that it will be invisible in the ratter part of ed 7000 letters from persons desirous bles; Her shining hair fleets the wide sky along. And firstlings of the stars are her clear eyes. sunrise. It will disappear about the exhibited in this Province, and there can be no doubt that it will increase appearing it will be visible as an even- rather than diminish. ng star. This will be during the last ten days in May. It will then be only its position will be so low in the at Washington by an official, who western sky that to see it one must shall speak directly for this country. look for it just as soon as twilight We see difficulties in the way of profades. Just how brilliant it may be viding for such a matter, although is a matter of conjecture. Astrono- they are probably by no means insurrs have noted that its brilliancy has been exceedingly variable.

## THE COST OF LIVING.

earnestly discussed by the more serious periodicals in the United States, and the conclusing seems to be that, that 1916 "would witness unprecedented if the present increase of the cities progress and prospectty." continues, without any corresponding gain in the rural population and the adoption of a system whereby a greater volume of foodstuffs will be pro-duced from the acre, the cost of living will yet further advance or the standard of living will have to be proper step for the government to town. lowered. This is a very unsatisfactory outlook and there does not seem to be anything that can be done about it. Editorials, essays and speeches will not keep people from crowding into the cities or teach farmers how to make two blades of grass from where one grew before. Of the advantages of a protective tariff there can be no doubt. It has worked wonders in both the United States and Canada. While the former country had millions of acres of vacant lands to give to set-tiers from the Old World, who would engage in farming, the concentration of the people in cities, due primarily to the rapid expansion of manufactur-ing, did not interfere with the producof an adequate supply of food stuffs. But in ten years from now there will be 100,000,000 people living in the United States and if the pres-ent trend of the population civ-ward nues the country will have to

draw upon Canada and other lands for undertake. Even if the balloon, its food. In the Dominion there is no found, contains nothing of value, it danger of the population outruming might serve to show the fate of the danger of the population outrumms the food supplies for many years to come. We have that steat solvent of all economic problems—a vast area of fertile, unocupied soil—yet available.

Mr. Moses B. Cotsworth discusses

Mr. Moses B. Cotsworth disc

MAIL SERVICE.

a shortage in these lines, although the locality is favorable to their production will never be made again. Just when

There are row two comets visible in in sugar-growing. Their plantations time. The theory usually has been

There is a growing demand in the 14,000,000 miles from the Earth, but East for the representation of Canada mountable.

The wholesale merchants of Winnipeg are preparing for a great expansion of business during the present The cost of living is being very year. Every merchant interviewed by the Free Press of that city said that the outlook never was so bright and

> The story that comes from northern Canada, in regard to the existence of a balloon there, is of very great interest, and the despatching of an expedi-tion in search of it would be a very

it has any. The Colonist's policy is to avoid criticism as much as possible, and then to employ it in a kindly way. It endeavors to be constructive, and because it is constructive it has the to a remarkable degree

Charles W. Morse, banker, has gone The Omenica Herald, published at the Hazelton, contains the following edi-

remains very poor.

This condition of things ought to be remedied without delay. Without proof many; but the visiting sovereign declined to accept the performance as clined to accept the performance as to every consideration possible, ready difficult enough. Boys at school will remember that an ill-timed joke

will never be made again. Just when was the offer made, and by whom?

A number of Classics. The Montreal Witness is worried over the increased output of gold, which it says is making everything A number of Canadians emigrated to cost too much. It says that money is small telescope. It is thought that perhaps it is the comet of 1867 returning on a second observed visit to the Sun. Whether or not it will ever be more than a telescopic object cannot now be determined.

Halley's comet is now receding from the Earth, but as it is approaching the Sun it will increase in brightness. It

Softly she steps, and breathes a little

He who has ears may hear her lullaalong,
And firstlings of the stars are her

The sodden fields are bright for many With the warm radiance from her

streaming hair; Yonder forsaken pool has caught her

smile,
And from its dark and miserable lair
Rounds to a splendor, burnished bowl
of gold, The fallen roses from her hand to held.
--Mary Norsworthy Shepard in Har-

CALGARY, Jan. 3.—Building returns for the year past total \$2,420,482. This merely represents eighty per cent. of the value of the buildings erected. Building Inspector Harrison announces that in 1910 the permits issued will total at least four millions. This estimate is considered year, consequents in mate is considered very conservative well-informed circles. Permits issue during December show an increase of 243 over the same month last year. Re-vision of the building by-laws is now taking place, with a view to meeting present requirements.

TURES Bowes' Drug Store prepares a cure for colds and coughs that does wonders for people so af-flicted.

BOWES' BRONCHIAL BALSAM

is composed of soothing remedies, compounded in precise proportions. It alleviates the irritated membranes of the throat and removes the sereness from the lungs. It does not stupefy, IT CURES; 59c perbottle, here only,



CYRUS H. BOWES.

WEILER BROS.

**Eive Floors of Home Comfort** 

WEILER BROS.

# DINING TABLES, \$7.50

And From This Price up to \$60

WAS your dining-room "found wanting" during the holiday season? Not in the "refreshment" way, but in conveniences, in style? Wouldn't you have liked a new extension table, a new buffet, a china cabinet, or something of the sort?

We would appreciate an opportunity to show you our big range of extension dining table styles, and to quote you prices from a list that includes one to fit any pocketbook. We have these tables in all the popular woods and finishes, and in round and square styles—pedestal and regular. Prices start as low as \$7.50.

## Other Diningroom Furniture

There may be room for a new buffet or china cabinet, or perhaps the present chairs are a bit shaky. Choose some new chairs or a new buffet from this assortment offered here. Many styles, but a specially strong line of wission effects—the most popular of all dining room furniture.

Our prices will compare favorably with any quoted anywhere, while styles and quality are of the superior sort.

## Warm Bedding for These Frosty Nights

No Better Qualities or Values are Offered Anywhere

Warm bedding for these frosty nights-don't you want some? No better place to do the choosing than right here and no better time than today, for there are more chilly nights coming your way. This year's assortment of blankets and comforts is the best yet. Best in variety and completeness and best in values. We have sold more McLintock down quilts this season than ever before. As people learn the great advantages of the down quilt the sales increase. Try one and you'll be an enthusiastic booster. In wool blankets offerings include

the very best from Scotland and the foremost Canadian mates. We guarantee the qualities. ALL-WOOL BLANKETS from, per pair ......\$3.50 McLINTOCK DOWN QUILTS from ......\$5.50



## Card Prizes in China that Combine Beauty and Utility

The thousands of pieces of china—"odd bits" we call them, to distinguish between china sold in sets and sold by single itemwhich form a conspicuous part of our stock, require no mental gymnastics to be considered appropriate prizes for the ladies at euchre or whist.

They combine a beauty which is dearly loved by every woman with a usefulness that it is her joy to exploit on every occasion.

If Your list of prizes should be exclusively china bits if you would excite spirited competition in the contest. 9 Try it.

## **New Dinnerware**



Try the "Open Stock" Plan

YOU couldn't do better than invest your cash gifts in an open stock dinnerware pattern. Choose few or many pieces as you wish. Start with a few and add as your purse permits. If unfortunate enough to break a few pieces, you can easily replace them here-no patchwork affair about it.

We show a great choice of patterns—you'll find more than a dozen different patterns in our stock of "open stock" services. . Easy to choose a pattern to please, and of course the matter of buying is regulated by your requirements. Come in and inspect.

### New Haviland Open Stock Pattern

One of the best of the "open stocks" is a charming gold decoration in Haviland Limoges China. The name Haviland is famous the world over. We

guarantee this to be the genuine. The ware is of the finest quality and the decoration one of the most pleasing gold treatments we have seen.

Start a service of this—you couldn't better it.

Welcome to come in and inspect at any time. All grades and prices. Not the slightest obligation to purchase is incurred.



## How Open Stock Dinnerware Works in a Pinch

Has company arrived unexpectedly? Do you realize the "dishes" will not "go round" without washing between courses ¶ Embarrassing and annoying isn't it? And, humiliating if discovered by the "company." ¶ Yes, indeed.

I Now, if you had purchased one of our open-stock patterns you could have sent down here and immediately obtained a few extra plates or cups and saucers or a meat dish—anything you needed in fact—to match your set.

## See This New Bedroom Furniture

Some Magnificient Pieces Shown

By all means see the new arrivals in bedroom furniture. Some of the handsomest pieces we have shown have just been placed on display and a hearty welcome awaits you here. Don't have to buy —just come to look. Chief among these are some suites in Bird's-eye Maple and in Circassian Walnut. If you want something real rice, choose from these.

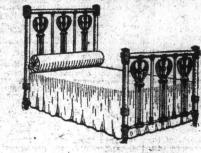
Circassian Walnut Suite \$175

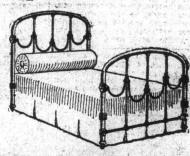
This is a 3-piece suite of excellent design and made from selected Circassian Walnut. Consists of Dresser, Chiffoniere and Ladies' Dresser has 3 large and 2 small drawers, and a large shaped bevel

plate mirror. Chiffoniere has 4 large and 2 small drawers and a shaped bevel plate mirror. Dressing Table has 2 drawers and large bevel plate mirror.

Birds' Eye Maple Pieces

Selected wood and beautifully finished. CHIFFONIERE—Swell front style with 3 large and 4 small drawers wood .......\$45.00





## Linoleum Remnants at Less Than Regular

A few women are going to profit by our sale of Linoleum Remnants-just a few because there are only a few remnants. Those who come early this week with the size of the bathroom, pantry or hall will secure an ideal covering at a fraction of regular cost. We are clearing all short-lengths and remnants and advise an early visit-Second Floor.

The West's Greatest Furniture House Furnishers of Homes Hotels

Furnishers of Churches Schools Boats

1

## DAIRY AND STOCK ENTHUSIASTS MEI

Agenda For Meetings Tak Place First Week in February

Programmes will be issued in course of the ensuing few days the annual conventions of the Brit Columbia Dairymen's Association a the British Columbia Stockbreed Association, which are to be held spectively on the 3rd and 4th promo in the Woman's Building, at grounds of the Victoria Agricultu Society. It is expected that seve hundred practical and progressive femers, especially interested in the branches of their profession will tend, while among the speakers to be several of the foremost authities on their specialities in the Arerican states.

For the B. C. Dairymen's meeting the agenda in abstract is as hereu

For the B. C. Dairymen's meeting the agenda in abstract is as herewider; 9.30 a.m., directors' meeting; a.m., president's address, to be followed by presentation of the directore report, that of the secretary-treasurand an address of welcome by Vitoria's Mayor; 1.30 p.m., addresses Bovine Diseases and Post-mertem by Dr. A. Knight; 3 p.m., "Contagio Abortion," by Dr. Hadwen; 41 "Practical Dairy Feeding," by W. Langdon, of Sumner, Wash.; 5 p.m. addresses by C. Marker Calgary, Alta.; 9.30 p.m., banque 8.30 p.m., address by C. Marker Calgary, Alta.; 9.30 p.m., "Dairyin on the Coast and Raising of the \$11 Cow." by Hon. E. T. Judd, of Saler Ore. Addresses are also to be delivered during the day by His Hond Lieutenant-Governor Paterson; Primier McBride, the Minister of Agriculture, and other notables.

Stock Breeders Meeting.

Stock Breeders Meeting.

The programme for the Stockbreed ers' meeting the day following is 9.30 a.m., directors' meeting; 10 a.m president's address, to be followed with the secretary-treasurer's report an address of welcome by Victoria Mayor, and reports from the special committees on heavy and light horses, cattle, sheep and swine; 2 p.m. "Sheep Raising," by Arthur Duncan "Contagious Diseases," by Dr. Hadweight of the Health of Animals Branch Ottawa; "Poultry Raising," by Mr. A Jull, expert of the Provincial Depart ment of Agriculture; 5 p.m., demon stration of the milking machine in operation; 6.30 p.m., banquet; 8.15 p.m. "Hog Feeding and Raising," by H Webb, Chilliwack; "The Breeding of the Heavy Horse," by Hon, E. J. Judd Salem, Ore; with addresses by the Lieutenant-Governor, the Premier, the Minister of Agriculture, and others. Stock Breeders Meeting.

# ISLAND'S NEED OF

Development League Issues a Pamphlet Advertising Opportunities Here

With a view to attracting house domestics for whom there is a great and growing demand in the city, the Vancouver Island Development league has issued a leaflet which will be enclosed in all the advertising literature send broadcast by that institution. The document should prove a factor in attracting domestics. It points out that they will receive good homes and wages according to their experience and skill. The average wages are quoted as follows: General domestics, from \$15 to \$25 per month; housemaids, from \$20 to \$25 per month; good nurses, from \$25 to \$25 per month; good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; good nurses, and good coks, from \$25 to \$25 per month. All the foregoing wages include hoard.

Stipulating that all applicants must have references as to competency and good character, it is pointed out the

have references as to competency and good character, it is pointed out that Vancouver Island offers special oppor-tunities in the line of domestic ser-The pamphlet winds up as follows:

The only drawback domestics will ind is that it will be difficult for them

to keep from getting married, especially if they are competent cooks and house domestics." NO ALEXANDER CUP

RACE THIS SUMMER VANCOUVER, B.C., Jan. 3.—There will be neither challenger, defender nor any race for the Alexandra international yachting trophy in 1910. According to the conditions of the deed of gift governing the cup, notice of intention to challenge by any yacht club in the association must be in the hands of the cup trustees before the end of the year preceding the race. As the Royal Vancouver Yacht club decided not to build a challenger next year, and none of the other clubs has sent in a challenge, there will be no race for the trophy at next July at the big regatta at Victoria. This state of affairs is largely will be no race for the trophy due to the mixup in the rules, none of the clubs or designers on the coast personnel.

the clubs or designers on the coast seeming to know just exactly where they are at TO WALK ACROSS CONTINENT AGAIN sh

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Edward Payson Weston, veteran pedestrian, announced today that he will make one more transcontinental walk, and that he will get from ocean to ocean in 100 classes.

Weston will start from Los Angeles co Weston will start from Los Angeles
at 4 o'clock the afternoon of February
1 and will be due in New York May 28.
His hike from New York to San Franclaco early last summer took him 105
days, but on that journey he encountered a long series of storms and unusually hot weather. If conditions are
favorable this spring he is sure that
he can cross the United States in 100
days.

Cement Company's Loss HUDSON, N.Y. Jan. 3.—Fire here rotoday destroyed the big storehouse of the Portland Cement company, causing a loss of about \$80,000. About \$20,000 loss was also caused in the cement mill the adjoining. One workman to believe adjoining. One workman is believed inju-to have been burned to death.

Annual January

Gloves, Ribbons, etc., for a full six months from these

So well established is our reputation for dependable Hosiery that we need not emphasize the sterling quality of these offerings; the average reductions shown in the following items tell their own story of the savings to be enjoyed. You will make no mistake in stocking up on Stockings, Belts, Handkerchiefs,

Special For Today

LADIES' PLAIN CASHMERE HOSE. Regular prices, 35c and 4oc Sale LADIES' BELTS, leather and silk. Regular 50c to \$1. Sale price, each 25¢

LADIES' KID GLOVES, in tans and black. Regular \$1.00 and \$1.50. Sale

LACE YOKES, in fine and heavy. Regular \$1.00 to \$3.00. Sale price each 50¢

HANDKERCHIEFS, all linen, embroidered and fancy drawn hems. Regular

HENRY YOUNG & CO.

BABY RIBBONS, colored, all shades. Regular 5c yard. Sale price per yd. 1¢ Embroidery, Edgings and Insertion 

### WEILER BROS.

ng the holiday seain conveniences, in table, a new buffet,

you our big range these tables in all and in round and ar. Prices start as

## Furniture

assortment offered ong line of mission

with any quoted of the superior sort.

## ihts

ng than right here tment of blankets

great advantages s offerings include



ware

n a Pinch my arrived unexyou realize the not "go round" between courses and annoying

company.

had purchased sent down here cups and saucers to match your set.



Iular only a few remeal covering at a

cond Floor.

Furnishers of Churches Schools Boats

# DAIRY AND STOCK

Friday, January 7, 1910.

Agenda For Meetings Taking Place First Week in February

Programmes will be issued in the course of the ensuing few days for the annual conventions of the British Columbia Dairymen's Association and the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held respectively on the 3rd and 4th proximo in the Woman's Building, at the grounds of the Victoria Agricultural Society. It is expected that several hundred practical and progressive farmers, especially interested in these branches of their profession will attend, while among the speakers are to be several of the foremost authorities on their specialities in the American states.

Stock Breeders Meeting.

The programme for the Stockbreeders' meeting the day following is: 3.30 a.m., directors' meeting; 10 a.m., president's address, to be followed with the secretary-treasurer's report, an address of welcome by Victoria's Mayor, and reports from the special committees on heavy and light horses, cattle, sheep and swine; 2 p.m., "Sheep Raising," by Arthur Duncan! "Contagious Diseases," by Dr. Hadwen of the Health of Animals Branch, Ottawa; "Poultry Raising," by Mr. A. Jull, expert of the Provincial Department of Agriculture; 5 p.m., demonstration of the milking machine in operation; 6.30 p.m., bahquet, 8.15 p.m., "Hog Feeding and Raising," by H. Webb, Chilliwack; "The Breeding of the Heavy Horse," by Hon. E. J. Judd, Salem, Ore; with addresses by the Lieutenant-Governor, the Premier, the Minister of Agriculture, and others.

Development League Issues a Pamphlet Advertising Opportunities Here

With a view to attracting house domestics for whom there is a great and growing demand in the city, the Vancouver Island Development league has issued a leaflet which will be enclosed in all the advertising literature send broadcast by that institution. The document should prove a factor in attracting domestics. It points out that they will receive good homes and wages according to their experience and skill. The average wages are quoted as follows: General domestics. It points out that from \$20 to \$25 per month; housemaids, from \$20 to \$25 per month; plain cooks, from \$20 to \$25 per month; plain cooks, from \$20 to \$25 per month; good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month. Sopple from the cooks from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; blain good nurses, from \$20 to \$25 per month; girls of sixteen, \$25 per month. All the foregoing wages include board.

Stipulating that all applicants must have references as to competency and good character, it is pointed out that your properties of the process of the month good character, it is pointed out that the foregoing wages include board.

Tot. \$8,023 \$16,825 \$69,200—682

Vancouver Island offers special oppor-tunities in the line of domestic ser-

the warehouse of the Pennsylvania to deep from getting married, especially if they are competent cooks and house domestics."

NO-ALEXANDER CUP

RACE THIS SUMMER

Value of Publicity.

Value of Publicity.

CALGARY, Jan. 3.—Evidence of value in newspaper publicity comes in the statement of Doctors Giffin and Barclay, formerly of Greensburg, Pennational yachting trophy in 1910. According to the conditions of the deed of gift governing the cup, notice of intention to challenge by any yacht club in the association must be in the hands of the cup trustees before the end of the year preceding the race. As the Royal Vanacouver Yacht club decided not to build a challenger next year, and none of the other clubs has sent in a challenge, there will be no race for the trophy mext July at the big regatize at Victoria. This state of affairs is largely due to the mizup in the rules, none of the clubs of designers on the constitution of the day purchased two dirigible balloons with which they will undertake an expectation of the state of affairs is largely due to the mizup in the rules, none of the clubs of designers on the coast seeming to know Just exactly where they are as.

TO WALK ACROSS

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Eward Payson Weston, veteran pedestrian, and possible the supply markers well be no recompleted for the proper that their base of supplies, by means of a wireless outfit.

Dr. Cook Still Hopes

The Colonist, Tuesday, January 3, 1860.

Returning Officers. The following are the returning officers appointed by His Excellency for the coming election: Victoria Town, George W. Heaton; Victoria district, George W. Heaton; Esquimait and Metchosin, A. Munro; Esquimait Tewn, A. Munro; Lake district, Geo. W. Heaton; Saanich, W. Thompson; Salt Spring Island and Chemainus, John Begg; Nanaimo, C. S. Nichol; Sooke, John Muir, Jr.

Programmes will be issued in the course of the ensuing few days for the annual conventions of the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association and the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held remained in the Woman's Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held remained in the Woman's Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held remained in the Woman's Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held remained the Woman's Stockbreeders' Association, which are to be held remained the Woman's Stockbreeders' association, which are to be described by the stockbreeders' association which are to be delivered by presentation of the directors' report, that of the secretary-treasurer, and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's mayor and an address of welcome by victoria's Mayor: 1.30 p.m., "Contagions and an address of welcome by victoria's mayor and an address of welcome and an address of welcome

Record receipts from timber licenses, transfer fees, penalties and coal and oil prospecting licenses are reported by the provincial officials for the year that has just ended. A total of 8,683 timber licenses west of the Cascades brought a total of license fees to the treasury of \$1,218,198.11; while to the east of the mountains, the total of licenses was 6,481, producing in revenue \$746,967.10. Timber and licenses transfers added a total of \$5,022.00; penalties aggregated \$16,825.00; and 1092 coal and petroleum licenses \$69,200.00. Details of the year's business under these respective headings are given below.

Timber Licenses.

West.

Jan. .585—\$81,900.00 694—\$80,004.90 Feb. .835—117,046.90 552—63,746.10 Mar. .919—128,800.00 394—45,375.00 Apl. .529—74,305.00 409—47,215.00 May .611—85,960.00 311—35,896.00 June .796—111,823.25 488—56,249.70 July .760—106,400.00 378—42,515.00 Aug. .808—113,173.81 726—83,873.80 3ep. .688—96,911.15 415—48,070.00 Oct. .732—102,558.75 421—48,673.80 Nov. .597—33,658.75 993—114,647.90 Dec. .826—115,657.50 700—80,694.90

Injured by Explosion

The pamphlet winds up as follows:

"The only drawback domestics will find is that it will be difficult for them to keep from getting married, especially if they are competent cooks and house domestics."

NO-ALEXANDER CUP

# TIDE OF TRAVEL

For Sale, A Bargain. Four lots on View street \$150 each. Apply to John Widdle Westerners Flock to Victoria on a Winter Victoria on a Winter

FROM LIGENSES

G. T. P. Wharfage Plans

J. H. Bacon, the Grand Trunk Pacific engineer at Prince Rupert, is expected in the city within the next few days and will go into the Victoria harbor wharfage plans of the rallway company with G. A. Keefer, the provincial public works department engineer. The G. T. P. proposes modifying its first plans which provided for a wharf running out several hundred feet into the harbor and thus obstructing the waterway. It is understood that when Mr. Bacon arrives he will confer with representatives of the C. P. R., the Victoria Dock company and the Inner Harbor association, all of the Inner Harbor association, all of proporting licenses are reported by the provincial officials for the year that has just ended. A total of 3,683 imper licenses west of the Cascades brought G. T. P. Wharfage Plans

And When Man Did Not Reply, He Thinks Something is

that he has met with some accident or may have been one of the men killed, or injured in the accident re-ported in the daily papers as having occurred to a workman's train about three weeks ago."

Unwelcome Everywhere

Poultry association, as to dates and reciprocal exhibits, so that in future much larger and better shows will be the rule. Messes, Koelkenbeck and Maxwell are the prime movers in the Ashcroft association.

1123 Government Street

DON'T FAIL

TO BUY

Big Clothing

Sale

NOW ON AT

ALLEN & CO.

FIT-REFORM

1201 GOVERNMENT ST.

the clubs pr. designers on the coast seeming to know make exactly where they are at the policy in the policy are at the policy and the policy are at the pol

## Wines & Liquors Victoria's Popular Wine House

Victoria, B. C.

See our big ad. on Page No. 10.

# Genuine Norwegian Bock

The cream of Norway's famous breweries, very appetizing, has a delicious rich flavor, a great favorite in Europe, especially with the ladies. One trial will convince anyone that this is something really choice. Phone us a trial order for tomorrow's dinner.

Tou Bryggeri Stavanger Bok Ol

Pints only per dozen . . . . \$2.25

## COPAS & YOUNG

ANTI-COMBINE GROCERS Corner Fort and Broad Streets

Phones 94 & 95 Sole Distributors.

Our Hobby Again

Proud of our fine All-Wool English Shawl Rugs; a large consignment just arrived. The appearance of your turnout would appeal to the close observer if it was equipped with one of these, or one of Chase's Genuine Möhair Rugs.

Call or write for prices. B.C. SADDLERY CO., LTD 566 TATES STREET.



Fort St.

Schacht Brothers have taken a sub-

New Westminster has now 26 licensed bartenders, a local bylaw requiring all members of the white aproned fraterity to take out licenses, costing \$2 each, as from January 1.

Mount Pleasant, Vancouver, was form-ally dedicated on Sunday last, Rev. J. W. Woodside, the paster, preaching an appropriate special sermon.

The new Presbyterian church



uver has now a

new Carnegie library building J. P. Fink is a candidate for re-elec-on as mayor of Cranbrook.

North Vancouver is to have a new fire business sections of Vancouve

Grand Forks coal famine

The New Westminster council will adfor new tenders for the

Rossiand's water carnival is to be held this year from the 8th to the 12th February, inclusive. Tenders are invited at Prince Ru-

pert for the construction of the sewer-age system in that new northern rail-

All the mines of the Phoenix camp closed down for Christmas, the chief event of which was the annual ball of the Miners Union. Rev. A. J. Petrie has arrived

Greenwood to assume the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian church

Rev. Fr. Beck, of Moyle was given a well-filled purse by his flock at a Christmas present and token of their

Rev. G. A. Hackney, B. A., and Mrs. Hackney have arrived in Moyle from Pembroke, Ont., Mr. Hackney being the new pastor of the Presbyterian church in the coal town on the Crow.

Nanaimo is facing a prospective water famine. The South Fork water extension supplies 600,000 gallons daily, which is not sufficient to meet the

Two Christmas week weddings solemnized at Phoenix united for life the fortunes of Duncan A. Grant, principal of the Phoenix public school, and Miss Cora Graham; and Warren Mitchell and Miss Zilpha Oxley.

The provincial grant to the Prince Rupert general hospital that is to be will be increased in the preparation of the estimates for the forthcoming session of the legislature from \$5.000 to \$7.500.

The annual general meeting of the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers association is to be held at Cranbrook on the 14th inst.

Insurance to the extent of \$1,200 was carried on the house and contents owned by Arhur Dickson, destroyed by fire at Grand Forks on Tuesday last.

Elko is experiencing a boom, with logging operations and trappers busy on every creek, and engineers spying out routes for new railways in half a dozens directions from the camp.

As the Fernie Construction Co. were found to be not adhering to the provisions of their contract, the school board of Cranbrook has taken over the building of the new school at that point and will complete construction by day labor.

George H. Cowan, M. P., of Vancoular to the Kootenay Ce acres of good ag ty the C. P. R. for which the city goes into partnership in a stock concern to improve the False Creek flats and rent out sites and privalleges to railways. He has already disaccept the province of the province of the province of the results of the stock of the stock of the province of the results of the stock of the province of the results of the stock of th

The municipalities of Summerland, Peachland, and Penticton, last Wednesday endorse almost unanimously the bylaw granting the Lake Shore Telephone Co. the privilege of installing and operating a telephone system in the three municipalities. The company is already operating and giving a satisfactory service, the presentation and adoption of the by-law being largely a formality.

HAPPENINGS

Kemicops reports 1909 as a year of unprecedented civic prosperity. F. M. Gillesple and Miss Alice Mc-Lean were married in Hedley last week.

Greenwood Conservatives held their Nelson has now an up-to-date vaude-

The gold output from West Creek, Kootenay, last season was approximately \$27,460.

The river, is still open at Quesnel, but for some time past there has been a good sound fee bridge at Alexandria.

Hedley has now an Orange lodge with membership of 25. John Jamieson is

The new St. George's church at Ross-and was formally dedicated on Sunday

St. Andrew's church, Kamloops, cele-

The Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway.Co. has resumed construction work on the big tunnel through the mountain to inite the sister towns.

Residents of Clinton and the district territorially contiguous will hold their third annual ball on the 27th and 28th

The Fort George stage is now making the round trip twice a month, and it is expected that a weekly service will very shortly be inaugurated.

The abolition of all saloous in the city is the chief plank in the platform of J. A. Irving, one of the mayoralty candidates in Nelson.

D. E. Gellatly, a specialist in tomato growing, has bought 600 additional acres in the Okanagan, which he will plant to fomatoes.

Thomas Astle, a young C. P. R. engineer engaged on the Alberni extension, has been left \$50,000 by the death of an aunt in England.

With the exception of Nelson, Kamloops has now the largest and best ap-pointed lighting plant in the interior of British Columbia.

Chief of Police Dow, of Cranbrook has been fully exonerated by the civic committee investigating the serious charges preferred by Rev. Mr. Hughes. In Phoenix, recently, Charles Nelson slept sixty hours, his symptoms being identical with those of the African sleeping sickness. Nelson is a promi-nent member of the Liberal party. The marriage has just been solem-nized at Lilloet by Ven. Archdeacon Pugh of Will Haylmere and Miss Maude Manson.

Miss Edna Lewis, for some time past assistant postmistress at Rossland, has left that city for Vancouver, to take a position with A. F. McMillan, the tew-eler.

Robert Emma Rahiev and Miss Annie anderson were married at Greenwood on Monday evening last, by Rev. F. V. Venables. During 1909 the St. Elmo hotel in Trail changed proprietors eight times. John Fluhrer has just bought the house, During 1909 the St. Elmo hotel in Tail clanged proprietors eight times. John Fluhrer has just bought the house, employee shall hereafter be a canterests in the place.

Mayor Robinson, of Kamloops has promulgated an order that no civic together with James Dawson's other includes the place.

The Lakeview hotel at Nelson changed proprietors with the coming of 1910, Albert L. Griffiths becoming lessee and manager.

In New York recently 200 shares of Hedley Gold Mining Co. stock were sold on the curb at \$20 a share. It was the first transaction in this stock at New At Tail a few days before Christmas, Rev. E. A. StG. Smythe performed the marriage ceremony for William Stables and Miss Anna There are three strong candidates in the field for the reeveship of Chilli-wack: Reeve Kickbush, who seeks re-election; H. P. Wilson, and J. A. Mc-Leod.

Fire Chief Carlisle of Vancouver in his annual report asks for \$100,000 for new apparatus, including a fire boat for the protection of shipping in harbor and waterfront property.

on every creek, and engineers spying out routes for new railways in half a dozens directions from the camp.

William Allan Stubbs and Miss Erminie Veronica White, and Daniel Arthur McKerricher were the principals in weddings celebrated a few down.

istry reached the highest figures of the year in December, \$2,440.50. The total revenue of the office for the lust

The business interests of Gilley Broad Ltd., of New Westminster, has developed so substantially of late that that concern is increasing its capitalization to \$200,000.

Game Warden J. Russell has returned to Lillooet, after prosecuting several game law violations successfully. In one case a rancher named Costerling was fined \$250 for killing over the limit of rams. A workman named McDonald, employed by the B. C. E. R. Co., at Coquittem, was drowned in a tunnel at that place Tuesday. An inquest has been ordered.

Mrs. Denis Murphy-takes farewell of her host of Ashcroft friends at an "At Home" this afternoon. Tomorrow Mr. Justice Murphy and his family remove to Vancouver, where they are taking up their residence.

Work that had been begun by the B. C. E. R. Co. on the new sub-station at Sardis has been abandoned, a change of plans having been made under which this sub-station will be built at the new terminal yards in New Westminster.

Petitions are being of reulated containing a request that an official of the postoffice department visit tirand forks and consult the people of the town in respect to the location of the new postoffice.

Ileges to railways. He has already discussed the proposal with the chiefs of both the G. T. R. and C. N. R.

A relic of the Ohio disaster of August last has reached North Vancouver in the form of a water-weight trunk belonging to Dr. J. B. Gibson, of the location of the ill-starred isteamer, and came through the wreck without injury.

Extreme apathy characterizes the municipal campaign in Greenwood. No

of Chilliwack.

The Prince Rupert Optimist has just celebrated the completion of its first six months of existence, during which it has grown from a nameless one-page handbill to a 16-page, well printed newspaper, with an illustrated supplement.

The mutation of the special control of the most useless pieces of legislation yet enacted by the city.

Charles Physics

Powell and Bridge streets, Vancou-er, are to be widehed in the hear uture. Fernie is to have an Logging is in full swing in the Sal

Alberni has now a restaurant, which Joseph Drinkwater is propried it is naturally a temperance house. Vernon's exhibit at the Spokan apple show cost \$1,814.03. New Westminster's new mayor and aldermen were duly sworn in on Monday. lce packing is now the order our on the Okanagan lakes.

Regular train service to Princeto was inaugurated New Year's Day. Vancouver's famous Park Drive is to be resurveyed and special measures adopted for the suppression of fast-goers—automobile and otherwise. A series of dog races for the specia at Nelson on New Year's Day. Extra precautions against an anti-cipated cold weather period of excep-tional severity, are being adopted at New Westminster.

Excellent skating has been enjoyed by Vancouverites for more than a week past. Fire did several thousand dollars

damage last Saturday to the new Miners' Hall at Fernie. Quesnel's Conservative association vill hold its annual banquet on the vening of the 6th inst.

Fire in the Dominion Hotel, Chilliwack, last Friday, caused damage to the extent of \$1,600.

T. Shopland has been elected president of the Courtenay Formers' insti-

Armstrong reports that building perations, general improvements, rops, and produce shipments in 1909 ere double those of 1998.

Kaleden has a large advortisement in the Western Home Monthly, sup-plemented with photographs of Kel-

Steamer Kelowna is hauled out at Okanagan landing, being made ready for what promises to be an exception-ally busy season.

A Vancouver Chinaman stepped off a street car Sunday evening in the characteristic Chinese fashion. He had not yet recovered consciousness yes-. The marriage was solempize

The general hospital at Vernon has

lost a most efficient and much esteem-ed worker in the death of Nnrse

Vernon, Christmas morning, of A. C. Pettman, of the Bank of Montreal staff, and Miss G. Winslow. The B. C. Renovatory at Vancouver, escaped destruction by a miracle Monday, when fire circled the big gasoline tanks but missed exploding them. The total damage is estimated at \$2,500. Annen and Kenneth Lucas and Miss

L. Kaiser had a narrow escape from death, and all received minor injuries in a sleigh runaway last week, near A stamp mill has just been received at the McLennan-Gordon mine, near Skidegate, Q. C. F., and will be installed forthwith. Miss Agnes Blanche Ruth, of Saln

W. Butler has secured the contract for supplying the Moresby Island Lum-ber Co.'s mill at Queen Charlotte with logs during the ensuing three years. Arm, has been claimed as a bride by Patrick B. Rose, principal of the Ed-monton Business College. Cranbrook reports a year of unpre-cedented prosperity. During 1909 the population of this live Kootenay town increased 25 per cent. employees of the Bluebell mine

near Kaslo, made a christinas present-ation to Charles Sherwin, their super-intendent, of a handsome gold watch

Alex. Carlson, a miner engaged at the Gold Drop mine, near Phoenix, fell down the chute 70 feet on Monday morning, and was instantly killed. His relatives reside at Phoenix, of which town he had been a resident for several years. which town he had been a resident to several years.

The building of the Vernon steam laundry was badly charred by fire recently, but the machinery is found to be not materially damaged. The fire was caused by gasoline igniting. The C. P. R. was the heaviest loser among patrons of the establishment.

Rev. A. K. W. Herdman performed the ceremony at Hedley last Saturday which united in mairimony Byron Mc-Donald, manager of the Kelowna Farmers Exchange, and Miss Jennie Hardie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hardie.

Fire last week destroyed the rache house at the Hume-Lawson ranche on Willamson's Lake, east of the illecillewaet. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Much of the contents of the house, barns and outbuildings were saved. The house was partially insured with Kootenay agencies.

A farewell reception and dance was Lachlan McDonaid, a pioneer of the Summerland district, and one of the most active members of the local Development Association, died in hospital last week, at the age of 67 years.

A larewell reception and dance what tendered Justice and Mrs. Denis Murphy at Ashcroft a few evenings ago, at which general regret was expressed at their removal from Ashcroft. During the evening the presentation was made of a handsome cuttation was made of a handsome cut-glass bowl and stand.

thur McKerricher were the principals in weddings celebrated a few days ago in Nelson.

The Chinese cook of the steamer Neckaco, who had his feet badly frozen white on the way out from the upper bonds asked for by the Couteau Power Co., in connection with its important Okanagan electrification project.

Significant motto of "Riosche Nanitch."

An agreement has been signed and executed between New Westminster City and the Municipality of Richmond by accidental drowning. Beekman regarding the sale of water to the later by accidental drowning. Beekman was 50 years of age, and became a resident of Kaslo when only one log Co., in connection with its important of the present of the present of the present of the present city.

The "Fruit Magazine," published by Maxwell Smith at Vancouver—and which, by the way, is the only exclusive fruit periodical in Canada—suggests that British Columbia should hold a national apple show of its own, similar to that held during the past two years at Spokane.

John Comlin, of Kelowna, during the

John Comiin, of Kelowna, during the past season sold \$500 worth of tomatoes from 1½ acres of land, the price obtained being % of a cent a pound. Mr. Julien by the C P. R. will be throw: 1/1-in ty

near testified that Devlin had voluntarily told him at the time that Malloy had given him his money to keep, and had a few days later been returned to the owner.

The Vancouver city council will enlarge their superannuation scheme to embrace all employees, in addition to the police originally mentioned ex-

Steamer Beaver made an attempt t ascend the Fraser from New West-minster Monday but could not get be-yond Haney on account of the ice, and was obliged to return to port. The transfer made her down-river trip with difficulty.

Three new hotel licenses will be issued at Vancouver as a result of the assessor's report on population increase. been given on the Sechart reservation, Alberni district, by Chief Watty Sewish and his father, in honor of Rev. Mr. Wimberley, for some time pastor of All Saints church, Alberni, has resigned his charge, and will take up his residence in Ottawa. contract from Jarse. McDonald & Timothy for two miles of rockwork on the C.P.R.'s Alberni extension, on the Alberni side of Four Mile creek.

no fewer than six being solemnized on Monday alone. Miss Sarah Houseley became the bridge of William Walmsley, Rev. John Simpson officiating; Rev. Dr. Fraser tied the nuptial knot for Frank M. Rough and Miss Agnes for Frank M. Rough and Miss Agnes
J. Robson; the marriage of Charles E.
Lynch and Miss Ollie Thorpe Smith
was celebrated by Rev. Dr. Fraser; the
same reverend gentleman officiated at
the marriage of Edward John Harris
and Miss Laura Alvinia Roberts, Allan. John Courson and Miss Caroline
Edna Wood, and Arthur R. Neeves and
Miss Bersy. Taylor Anderson

Nanaimo's Prosperous Year.

\$6,946.48; October, \$8,806.02, 1998.11-ber, \$4,660.28; December, \$5,786.19 Grand total, \$81,257.

E. H. Heaps, of Vancouver, states that the plans of the Alberta-British Columbia Elevator & Wharf Company. Columbia Elevator & Wharf Company, covering the erection of a large grain elevator at New Westminster, are still under consideration, although the British Columbia government has refused to give financial aid toward the erection of elevators, either at Vancouver. Prince Rupert or New Westminster. The original request for aid in the building of elevators on the Pacific Coast came from Alberta interests and support from that end of the line is assured, there being a possibility that the government of that province will lend assistance to the project. A meeting of the directors of the company will be held during the present month, at which the possibility of proceeding with the construction of the proposed elevator during the coming season will be discussed.

Railway Builders Arrive

West that and News heach by the manufacture of the control of the

WILLIAM BLAKEMORE MIME INSTITUTE MAINING
INSTITUTE, GREENWELL
GOLD MEDALIST NORTH FING
LAND INSTITUTE MINING
ENGINEERS 1904

Coal Mine Safeguards.

Alberni district, by Chief Watty Sewish and his father, in honor of young Jacob Shewish, who has reached marriageable age and has his eye fixed with matrimonial intent upon a noble daughter of the Ohiaht tribe. The Ohiaht tribe, The Ohiahts were all invited, and came, to the number of seventy, from Sarita. Dodges Cove, and other places in the district.

Queen Charlotte's Prosperity.

Queen Charlotte's Prosperity.

1910 promises many changes and improvements in the Skidegate district. The survey of the new townsite at Skidegate will commence early in January. The present store will be enlarged and stocked with a full supply of general merchandise. A new wharf is to be built at once. A crew will start getting out the piling in a few days, and a large hotel will be built at an early date. The oil works will be overhauled and refitted so as to be ready for the coming season.

Vancouver's New Year Weddings.

The first week of the New Year has been a favortic period for the celebration of weddings in the Terminal City, no fewer than six being solemnized on Monday alone. Miss Sarah Houseley

Miss Betsy Taylor Anderson.

Nanaimo's Prosperous Year.

The inland revenue returns for Nanaimo for December were as follows:
Malt; \$1,514.15; spirits; \$880.05; raw
leaf, \$199192; cigars, \$90. The total collections for the year 1909 were \$28,310.32, divided as follows; January, \$2,562.60; February, \$1,961.22; March, \$3,475.29; April, \$1,528.47; May, \$2,7120.90; June, \$3,340.63; July, \$3,315.56; August, \$1,516:66; September, \$1,629.27; October, \$1,421.40; November, \$2,754.30; Pocember, \$2,684.12. The total customs returns for Nanaimo district for Nanaimo city alone \$31,257. The collections for Nanaimo city during each month in the year were as follows: January, \$8,857.18; February, \$4,440.44; March, \$9,106.34; April, \$8,221.95; May, \$6,011.86; June, \$6,891.03; July, \$9,700.73; August, \$5,370.90; September, \$6,946.48; October, \$3,863.62; November, \$4,560.28; December, \$5,786.19.

Those Grain Elevators.

EDITED BY

Apropos of the recent disaster at the St. Paul Mine, Cherry, Ill., it has frequently occurred to the writer that someone is very lax in providing safeguards to protect the lives of miners in various districts. The provisions should reduce the fatalities to the min-imum, if not wholly prevent the loss of life.

be able to give them their exact condi-tion, the condition of the mine, etc. the This would be some safeguard and guide for the rescuers, providing that the telephones were installed in such shape as to prevent the explosion from destroying the wires, but the ideal plan would be to sink bore-holes from the surface at extend words. the surface at stated intervals, running

in olden times, before the invention or common use of explosives the best method available for mining through the hardest kind of rock, such as resisted the use of hammer or wedge, was by means of fire. It is true that other methods were probably known; thus there is reason to believe that the Egyptians possessed tools capable of boring holes into the hardest rocks, and commonly split off huge blocks by driving wedges into such holes, just as granite is often split by plug-andigeteather at the present day. It is also possible that the northern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water to freeze in similarly tightly-plugged.

Fire-setting has also been employed by Railway Builders Arrive

The Nanaimo press announces the arrival there on Monday of a party of railway contractors interested in the Alberni extension works, who left for the scene of operations on Tuesday morning. J. B. Bright, who has the contract for ten miles of the rock work at Cameron lake, was of the party, at Cameron lake, as of the party, and the properation of the wagon road to be changed 15 to there side of the lake. A. M. McDonnell, of Jance, McDonnell, & Timother and tract for twenty-five miles of the contract for ten wage, was of the party as was also work, was of the party, as was also work, was of the party, as was also from the wagon road to be changed 15 to break rocks by allowing water that the tract for twenty-five miles of the contract for twenty-five miles of the most precipiles, but each of these methods were able to break rocks by allowing water that the morthern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water that the morthern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water that the morthern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water that the morthern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water that the morthern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water that the most peculiar cases that it (i. the application of fire) was ever used the most peculiar cases that it (i. the application of fire) was ever used the most peculiar cases that it (i. the application of fire) was ever used to freeze in similarly tightly-plugged holes, but each of these fire able to break rocks by allowing water that the most peculiar cases that it (i. the application of fire) was ever used to freeze in similarly tightly-plugged holes, but each of these fire able to break rocks in similarly tightly-plugged holes, but each of these fire acher at the contract for twenty-five miles of the properation of the party, as was also more matural than that the most peculiar cases that it (i. the application of fire) was ever used to freeze in similarly tightly-plugged holes, but each of these fir

have been tried in later times, although water has often been used to sudden ly cool the heated rock.

For many centuries after the breaking up of the Roman power mining seems to have fallen into a very low ebb throughout Europe; but already in the eleventh century it appears that mines of argentiferous galena were re-opened in Sardinia by the Pisans, and shafts sunk to a denth of 500 for the design of the century In Sandinia by the Pisans, and shafts sunk to a depth of 600 feet by fire setting; and as early as 1359 it was used in Germany on the Rammelsburg. Indeed it seems to have been the usual mining process for very hard rock throughout the middle ages. Agricola, writing in the 18th century gives a complete explanation of the method then

would compel mine operators to adopt such a precaution.

There was an article in one of the mining papers recently, where the editor advances the theory of installing telephones in mines, so that the entombed miners might get into communication with the outside world, and be able to give them their exact condition, the condition of the mine, etc. This would be some safeguard and the condition of the condition of the mine, etc. This would be some safeguard and the smoke upon them and suffocated them, they have lately had recourse to gunpowder. All the earliest workings in Cornwall seem to have been stream works, or open cuttings on the backs of the lodes, which are generally fairly soft and in their richest parts, so that there is the condition of the mine, etc. originally covered the country were almost entirely destroyed to supply the different tin-smelting works which were lamented by Pryce in 1778.

the surface at stated intervals, running along the main entries and topping the main stations in the mine. These boreholes should be cased with iron pipe from top to bottom, and be of sufficient size so that in case of accident they could be used for supplying various sections of the mine with pure air supply, foo,d water, and communication for the entombed miners.

It would hardly be possible for an explosion to destroy a bore-hole, as these explosions do not usually occur in the main entries of the mine. They are usually in some part of the mine which has been abandoned and with no outlet for the gas which accumulates. This is largely responsible for the explosions which take place. If boreholes were sunk into the old workings, they would provide an outlet for the dangerous received and topics of the surface and the surface in the surface and the work much wood, and it is evident that they had recourse to fire as an agent, whether to soften to the work much wood, and it is evident that they had recourse to fire as an agent, whether to soften the rock or to heat it for the purpose of throwing water on it to crack it, I am not skilled to say, but that fire is used is certain." Again, on page 166, Hunt quotes a pager by Mr. John Taylor in "The Transactions of the Geological Society of Dublin," from which they would provide an outlet for the desides wooden and iron tools. plosions which take place. If boreholes were sunk into the old workings,
they would provide an outlet for the
dangerous gases and black-damp.
Had this provision been installed
in the Cherry Mine, as well as the others, and fresh air furnished to the
miners, a large number of lives could
have been saved. These disasters fall
on a class of people who are dependent
on their daily labor for the livelihood
of their families, and the loss of the
bread-winner under these circumstances produces deplorable conditions
which cannot be imagined by the class
of people in better circumstances financially.

Men who will advocate and push to a
conclusion a measure of this kind will
have done something which will cause
their names to be remembered for all
time. In mines where they could not
get a pure air supply to the face of
the entries which they are driving by
means of an ordinary fan, they drilled
holes ahead of the entry, and when
these holes were tapped, they caused
a great current of air to flow through
the entries, which carried out the
smoke, gas, etc., back up through the
hoisting shafts.

lit appears that when the Militown lead
mine in Clare was re-opened they found
besides wooden and iron tools, "the remains of fires which had evidently been
mains of fires which had evidently been
mains of ires which had evidently been
mains of ires which had evidently been
mains of torack and loosen the
makes wooden and iron tools, "the remains of ires which had evidently been
mains of ires which had evidently been
mains of ires which had evidently been
mains of ires which had evidently been
males wood near their mines and to use it
for burning, disbursing and smelting.

Wood near their mines and to use it
for burning, disbursing and smelting.

Wood near their mines and to use it
for burning, disbursing and smelting.

Wood near their mines and to use it
for burning, disbursing and smelting.

Working in the Mendip (about 1480)
gives a rude attempt to represent firesetting with the ore
of working in the Mendip of the c

holes ahead of the entry, and when these holes were tapped, they caused a great current of air to flow through the entries, which carried out the smoke, gas, etc., back up through the hoisting shafts.

In olden times, before the invention or commen use of explosives the best. Fire-setting has also been employed by the Indians of New Mexico, from time

Decision of New York Justice Against Strikers Elicits Quip From Playwright.



## BEAR HAD APPENDICIT

NEW YORK, N. Y.,—"Tessie trick bear from South America operated on for appendicitis Bostock Arena at Coney Island. Dr. Brown, who performed tion said that the first bear

move the bowels regularly. "Fru tives" acts directly on the Liver, of Biliousness, the bile flows freely, the Bowels move naturally. Fifty cents a box, 6 for \$2.50, or size, 25c-at dealers or from tives. Limited, Ottawa

# FOUR ARE BURNED

Fire in Boarding House Spread Quickly and Cuts Off Escape

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Jan. 4.-For

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Jan. 4.—For people were burned to death in a fin which destroyed Babcock's boardin house this morning. The bodies ar supposed to be in the ruins. Othe occupants escaped in their nigriclothes. So quickly did the buildin burn that the other occupants escape in the twenty below zero weather onlin their night clothes.

How the fire started is not known but it is supposed to have been from the hot air furnace. When those of the occupants who got out awakened they found the whole lower part of the house in flames, and escape by the stairways cut off, and most of then jumped from the second storey windows. ws. The missing are: Hopson, an oile

at the Ogilvie mills; Anders Sorenso formerly G. T. P. laborer; Miss Clys lis, kitchen girl, and a Chinese cook. lis, Ritchen girl, and a Chinese cook.

Five people were badly injured in jumping from the windows. There were twenty people in the house at the time, and the wonder is that more did not lose their lives.

Mr. Babcock states that he has not idea how the fire started. He was only partly insured, and the entire contents of the building were destroyed.

Ontario Succession Duties

TORONTO, Jan. 4.—The province last year received \$759,000 in succession duties. Famous Steamer Goes Aground SAULT STE MARIE, Ont., Jan. 4.—
During the high wind that prevailed early Sunday morning, the steamer Minnie M. broke her moorings and drifted down the river, and now lies aground in a dangerous position near the boat club wharf on Topsail island.

Bringing Nitrate The steamer Chatham under charter to W. R. Grace & Co. is at San Fran-cisco from Chilian ports with ore and nitrate, of which she has 3,000 tons to discharge at Seattle and British Columbia ports.

B. F. Roller Seriously III CHICAGO, Jan. 4.-Dr. B. F. Roller

the Seattle wrestler, is in a serious condition at the Mercy hospital, threatened with blood poisoning. He underwent an operation today for boils which had become inflamed. Ice Ties Up Fraser Traffic. NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 4. All the river steamers are tied up at the wharves here today. No vessel can get past Port Haney owing to the ice on the river. Past Port Haney the river is almost completely frozen

and hundreds of skaters are taking advantage of the cold snap.

accidents have been reported. Montreal's Fire Rates MONTREAL, Jan. 4.—The Canadian Fire Underwriters' association has decided to remove the surcharge placed two years ago on Montreal risks, owing to the enlarged pumping capacity and the generally improved conditions. ing to the enlarged pumping capacity and the generally improved conditions. The opinion was expressed at the meeting that the men of the Montreal fire brigade were not in the physical trim required for their arduous duties, and did not give evidence of good and steady drill.

Damages to Passengers

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Steerage passengers who sued the Northwestern Steamship company for damages because they were compelled to make a voyage from Alaska to Seattle in the steamer Santa Clara amid conditions which they declared to be uncomfortable, were awarded \$300 each, making a total of \$9,900, by the United States circuit court of appeals today.

The voyage complained of occurred in the fall of 1907 when a large number of men were returning from construction work in Southwestern Alaska. The Northwestern Steamship Company has been amalgamated since that time with the Alaska Steamship Company, and the Santa Clara has been sold and is now running between Portland and San Francisco. The case was tried first in Seattle and the company appealed.

SASKATOON, Jan. 4.—Word has reached the city telling of the first death by freezing to take place in this district this winter. It comes from Zealandia, and states that a man named Thomas Russell, a homesteader, was haulnig coal from town in company with a friend. They had gone some distance when the horses gave out, so the men unhitched the wagon and got on the horses' backs. The animals could not make any headway, so Russell's partner went ahead to secure help for his friend. He also lost his way, and it was 3 o'clock in the morning before he reached a the morning before he reached a house, and by the time a rescue party found Russell, he was frozen to death.

It is also said that two other men are lost, but whether they have been located is not known. Travellers from the Goose Lake district state that Friday's storm was one of the worst to take place in that part of the coun-

Agricola

and suffecated th covered the country were al-irely destroyed to supply the tin-smelting works which were by Pryce in 1778.

g been used in other ish Isles. Thus Hunt Weston of Machynl-

to refute his own con

3) that "it is only under 563) that "it is only on of fire) was ever used. has also been employed by of New Mexico, from time in the mining of turquoises rillos, and other places in ong tunnels in Japan

## SHAW'S LATEST New York Justice Against ars Elicits Quip From

RK, Jan. 5—George Bernard

shirtwaist makers, he has the decision given in Decem-stice Olmstead against a

are not working, and e against God and nature, al law it is that man shall s reply, received today by ws: "Delightful medieval lways in the



# BEAR HAD APPENDICITIS POLICIES OF NEW YORK, N. Y.,—"Tessie," the trick bear from South America, was operated on for appendicitis in the Bostock Arena at Coney Island. "Tessie" took ether like a lamb and Dr. Brown, who performed the operation said that the first bear to undergo this operation would soon recover. Appendicitis is not as popular as formerly. Eminent physicians long ago discovered that Habitual Constipation causes it. And one eminent physician in Ottawa discovered the means to prevent it.

Mr. Balfour Elaborates His Idea of Numerous Small Landholders

ician in Ottawa discovered the means to prevent it.

This physician gave the benefits of his investigation to the public in the form of "Fruit-a-tives," or "Fruit-Liver Tablets," made from intensified fruit fuices and tonics.

Constipation, or tightness of the bowels, is the result of a torpid liver, which does not give up enough bile to move the bowels regularly. "Fruit-a-tives," acts directly on the Liver, cures Biliousness, the bile flows freely, and the Bowels move naturally.

Fifty cents a box, 8 for \$2.50, or trial size, 25c—at dealers or from Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa.

Inolders

PREMIER IS ASKED

POLICY AS TO

Tariff Reform and effence

PREMIER IS ASKED
POLICY AS TO LOBIOS
FOR ARE BURNED
AT FORT WILLIAM
AT FORT WI

cepting a condition, without which Mr. Asquith will refuse to resume office, namely that sufficient life peers be created to pass through the Lords forthwith a radical measure providing that all finance bills shall become law by assent of the Commons and the King alone, while in general legislation, the Lords' veto will be annulled after a substantial interval, say of two years ago on Montreal risks, owing to the enlarged pumping capacity and the generally improved conditions. The opinion was expressed at the meeting that the men of the Montreal fire brigade were not in the physical fire brigade were not in the physical trim required for their arduous duties, and did not give evidence of good and steady drill.

Damages to Passengers

SAN FRANCISCO Jan 4 Steamers

Change to Tariff Reform

6 in Manchester and 7 in Birmingham.
The results ought to give an indication as to how the rest will go.

Unionists are opening shops for the exhibition of foreign-made goods, which have attained considerabel success as an electioneering factor.

Joseph Martin, the former premier of British Columbia, who is running as the Liberal candidate in East St. Pancras division, thinks he has a chance of being elected. He will know where he stands on January 17. Donald MacMaster believes himself a winner, hands down. Hamar Greenwood cannot see where he can get left.

Two Liberal candidates are to be run by the City of London Liberal association in opposition to Mr. Balfour and Sir Frederick Banbury.

Sir Gilbert Parker, at Gravesend, referred to the or the control of the

PREMIER IS ASKED

POLICY AS TO LORDS

For Gilbert Parker, at Gravesend, referred to the port of London bill, government. It provided for the up-keep of the port out of taxes imposed upon imports entering the port. If these taxes were imposed for the benefit of London, why were not similar taxes imposed for the benefit of the benefit o

# SECTION HAND colonies, where the surplus population could increase and multiply under the German flag. Lord Talbot said the

OF TARIFF REFORM

and freight traffic over the Carlboo Road and the B. C. Exprés Company deserve much commendation for their enterprise in building such a steamer, and by spending a large sum, thereby demonstrating their faith in the future of the great country to the North.

One of the most important changes in the fishing industry of British Columbia has just been closed in the sale of the business of the Queen Charlitte Oil and Packing Company, Ltd. of Skidegate, Queen Charlotte, by local owners to a Vancouver syndicate, which will greatly extend its operations, forming a new townsite at Skidegate to be know as Grahame city.

## TO EXTEND OPERATIONS

Company Sells Out Fishery As sets to Vancouver Syndicate,

Comparing Plants of the Cold Assoc. In Section 19 and 19 a

## Canned Delicacies

Large green, per tin.....40c CORN ON THE COB, per gal-lon tin ......60c

FRENCH PEAS, per tin....25c
STUFFED MUSHROOMS, pt
tin....65c
SWEET POTATOES, per tin, 25c HOMINY, per tin .....20c

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK Corn, Peas, Beans, Tomatoes or Pumpkin, famous "Navy" Brand, each, per tin...10c

DEMONSTRATION Puritan Self-Raising Flour— Come in and taste the most delicious Pancakes FREE.

## DIXI H. ROSS & CO.

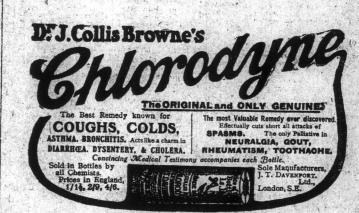
Independent Grocers and Liquor Merchants 1317 Government St. and 1316 Broad St. Tels. 50, 51, 52 and 1590.



The Hickman Tye Hardware Co., Ltd.

Wishing Our Many Customers A Happy and Prosperous **NEW YEAR** 

The Family Cash Grocery Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts. Phone 312.





Of all the festivals and feast days, of all the many holidays of Japan, none is to be compared with that of the New Year. For many weeks all the cooks of many thousand houses of bamboo and wattle have been toiling over their cooking pots behind the rice-paper shojis preparing mochi, that quaint unleavened bread made of the more tenacious grades of ricefor the New Year in Japan that is without its mochi is as a Thanksgiving wtihout its turkey, or a Christmas without its pudding. The bookkeepers have been busy, too, for New Year's eve is the big settling day. Like the Chinese, the Japanese have the custom of squaring accounts before the New Year begins. and for weeks before the holidays there are hucksters stalls by the roadside—the Ginza which is the Broadway of Tokio, is lined with booths at the roadside where men come to sell their belongings of all sorts to find money to pay their debts. What bargaining goes on at this great street fair, at the side of the Ginza; what haggling there is before goods finally change hands for often as much as a twentieth of the price asked. In the cross streets the flower stalls find a place but the Ginza is given over to the people who bring their belongings slung from poles in camphor wood boxes, and spread them out at the row side. The tourist finds many an objet d'art, much bric-a-brac at these New Year sales, and many a collector seeks additions to his bronzes, color prints, etc., at the sales where the men of Tokio vend their belongings to find money for the New year settlements.

It is customary to pay all wages two days before the holiday, and to pay all debts, and the busiest people in Japan on New Year's eve are the collectors, plodding over the roadways with their stilted geta, paper lanterns in hand, seeking the debtors. The geisha, in the street of the Geisha, with its long rows of lanterns, and many rickshaws halted before the barred gateways are busy, too; for they have many visitors to entertain with song and dance. From every tea house comes the tinkle of samisans and high-pitched voices of geisha. Reflected by the mellow lights of many paper lanterns on the panelled paper which gables these houses by road and canal aids many shadowy forms of dancers are seen, while in the street groups or afloat on the manned junks is cleaned; new mats are laid down, wherever people can afford them-and in certain sections of Tokio, where the more unfortunate live with the barest margin there will be no new mats. In the houses of the rich, though, fresh rice paper is pasted over the fretwork of the shojia, and the little finger holes of the children, so dearly loved by Japanese mothers are removed. There is an oft-quoted Japanese short poem regarding these finger holes made by the tiny fingers in the paper of the shoil, it

"The shadow of a pine across the mat;

Oh, the little finger holes in the shoji. As with all else in Japan, the New Year holidays are hedged round about with ceremony galore. The decorations, placed before each door, are prescribed by old-time custom. There is symbolic meaning for every com-ponent part. On the right there is a branch of matsu (pine), with reddish stem; and on the left pine showing the black trunk. According to Japanese idea, the black trunked pine is the male, and the redder, lighter branch the female. The symbol of the twain before the door is that the wish is that the occupants of the house, like the pine trees, may stand undisturbed by the storms of life, weathering them all in a good old age, like the pine trees. Then there is another symbol of hale life and fulness of years-the take-no-iki (bamboo), and from the beam of the decorated gate hangs the plaited rope of the Shinto temples, which is intended to debar all evil and unclean things from crossing the threshold. Interwoven with the pine and bamboo and grass rope of the there are many things, among the more striking being lobsters, bowered in garlanded branches of yuauri. The symbol of the lob-ster is that a kind wish is implied that all within may live until they are bent with years until they are doubled up like the lobster. There are ferns symbolic of conjugal happihess, orange fruits, whose meaning is that the family tree may flourish, seaweed as a memorial of good fortune. With all gohei, the

quaint votive offerings of paper for the Shinto gods, is interwoven.

Many a youth and maiden of Japan has been tucked in on the tatami on New Year's and spread out on a large board, where the eve with their pillow covered with a roughly drawn picture of the takare bune—the ship of riches, with the seven gods of good luck as the crew. The ship is one of the popular themes of the art of Japan. In the morning there will probably be junks of straw, little boats with masts of pine and sails of gold and scarlet. They are inscribed with good wishes. These little ships are similar to those which are set afloat on the waters of the Bon Matsuri, the feast for the dead in summer. The picture of the takare bune is placed on the pillow to induce good dreams—for so much depends upon dreams of the last night of the year, according to the superstitious people of the Island Empered. to the superstitious people of the Island Empire. To dream of lightning means riches, but to dream of frost is considered bad fortune. To dream of a pair means divorce—this is the continual fear of Japanese women. A mirror or wine cup seen in slumber is considered to mean that a beautful child will be born-and so on through a long list prepared by the fortune tellers of the land.

Like New Year's eve in other lands, the night is one of merriment in Japan, more espe-cially in the larger cities. Strolling samisen players wander about singing ballads of old Japan, little bands of maskers go about, playing little burlesques to the amusement of small throngs. The celebrant goes to the tea houses, sitting squatted on the mats while his favorite geisha plays her saminen or sings love songs to him, while fluttering musmes bring straw colored bring straw-colored tea and sunbaked cakes. Housekeepers wander among the flower marts where rows upon rows of blossoming plum trees are set out for sale. No Japanese House, great or small, is complete without its plum tree for the New Year. Great is the bargaining done here, no buyer ever offering the price asked. There first must be haggling and bar-

gaining, and finally after a last summing up on the counting board, the purchase is made.

Meanwhile the elder daughters are at home making the mochi. The rice for this is steamed in a large barrel-shaped utensil which is placed on the top of a boiler. There the rice is steamed until it is soft enough to be kneaded into a dough. Then, a portion at a time, and cargo boats neaped by the ebbed tide in it is placed in a stone mortar. The musmes the mud of the canals beneath the arched call the men to help them, and half a dozen bridges, there is merriment galore. It is the men or women stand around the mortar, the holiday of holidays. For the servants there men holding pieces of wood like axe handles are new clothing, presents, etc. Every house with blunted points, and the women smaller Many of those ballads are interesting little pieces of blunted wood. One of the number starts a song-everything must be done to the rythm of a song in Japan, even the loading of

time with the song the men swing their sticks, while the women stir the dough with their sticks. In fifteen minutes it is well kneaded young women stand, with their kimona sleeves tied up, to cut up the dough and make it into michi cakes. An average family makes about a hundred cakes, including a number of large ones which are made to be offered to the family gods. It is usual to take half a dozen, surmounted by a Japanese orange to the temple of the family soon after New Year's day dawns.

Soon as midnight strikes the members of the Japanese household hurry to say; Omedeto, which is the equivalent of our Happy New Year. Then zoni is to be eaten. This is, a delicious sort of soup, which must, perforce, be eaten as soon as the New Year begins. The otoso is to be drunk. In every home, rich and poor, is the sake cup, and visitors come and drink. The Shinto priest who is, as it were, the parish priest, starts on a ceremonial round which has a sad effect on his equilibrium before he completes his tour. He goes first to the yshiki of the rich, to the palace of the Diamyo, f there be palace of a diamyo in his district, and thence from house to house, with due regard for precedence. After a few calls the priest becomes an object of amusement to the children in the street and the merry priest is followed by a little throng. In each house he kneels before the tokonoma, the god-shelf, and murmurs Shinto rituals while the maid pours the sake into a lacquer cup for him.

After the visit of the priest the feasting goes on until it is time for the head of the family to issue forth to make his calls, first on the lord of the district, for the feudal customs still maintain although democracy is supposed to rule. The calling is similar to that of the west. Meanwhile the household gives its itself over to New Year sports, goes to see the wrestling competitions, the sports of the fireman whose feats of agility are performed yearly on the New Year holiday, and enjoys itself in-other ways.

The streets are filled on New Year's day with couples of gaily dressed girls bouncing little balls and singing. Like, nearly everything else appertaining to the season, these games are ceremonial affairs. The children sing as they bounce the ball. In effect the histories. The boys go in for kite flying at the New Year, and processioning; for young Japan is nothing if not of a military turn of coal in the bunkers of a steamer. Keeping mind. Many are the processions of New Year's for over a week.

day. There is the bullock cart with a gaily decorated ox drawing the harvest rice, coolies in bran new head dresses and bright new haori of blue cotton, each marked with the big geometric ideograph of their master's house in glaring white. In Tokio, that Coney island of Japan, Asakusa temple, is thronged more than on any day of the year for the New Year holiday, and the people's temple, the street of theatres, lane of booths, gardens, etc., are crowded from morn to night. At various places in the cities, on platforms, usually arranged before the temples troupes dance the kagura, wearing masks, while an orchestra of drum and flute, and often a reed pipe plays an accompaniment. The show of the firemen, usually given in the parks, is the feature of New Year. The fireman of a Japan differs as night from day in comparison with the fireman of the west. A fire station, except in the recently formed modern brigades of the larger cities, consists of a high ladder with a bronze bell near the top. The watchman stands at the ladder top to scan the horizon and when a blaze is seen the bell is rung and the firefighters rush off with bamboo ladders and buckets. At the New Year festival they assemble to do gymnastic and acrobatic feats with their bamboo ladders. The firemen gather at a conspicuous place and with a new banner floating from a lofty bamboo they march, with ladders and lanterns, etc. At the appointed place the ladders are placed perpendicular and held with hooks while the agile firemen mount to the top and perform acrobatic feats that seem as dangerous as they are difficult. Meanwhile the comrades yell at the top of their voices-and one takes up a collec-

The classical feature of the New Year holiday, the delight of the student and literateur of Japan, is the making of New Year poems. Each year the officials of the court give notice that the Emperor has chosen a theme for a poem and thousands of poems are builded at the New Year on this theme. The theme given out by the Emperor this year is "Snow in the Temple." Not only are classical poems written but there is a card game played when the lanterns are lit after nightfall, and the many night noises which ever recur to those who have left Japan and its warm color behind are heard. The cards each contain two game is to see how many times the ball can lines of a poem, generally a love song or sonbe bounced without an error. Meanwhile the nett. The cards are spread out and a person players sing a ballad, the last line usually bereads out the couplet. As soon as this is "Now the ball counts one hundred." done there is a rush for the cards, each one striving to locate first the card with the following lines

This is how Japan celebrates the New Year, and the spirit of the festival remains in the air

maiden aunts and keep tame rabbits.' Gladstone distinguished himself at Oxford, taking a double-first, and in the year following he spent six months in Italy. Upon his return he stood for parliament, although he was but 22 years of age, and on January 29, 1833, in the first reformed parliament, he had a seat. At this time, one writer says, he was of a striking and attractive appearance. His features were strongly marked, his complexion pale and his eyes piercingly lustrous.

that set who were "only fit to reside with

Early in his public career Gladstone star-tled England and won general attention by the publication of a book on church and state, which was declared by some to be the only book since Burke's that went to the bottom of the question.

Gladstone's public career was noteworthy almost from the time of the publication of that book, although, of course, it in no wise depended upon the book as a cause. The cause ay in his increasing power, his wonderful mental development, his generalship and his eloquence in debate.

On July 25, 1839, Gladstone was married to Catherine, the eldest daughter of Sir Stephen Glynne, of Hawarden. At this time he was fairly entered upon his remarkable career, one of the first responsible offices he held being the vice-presidency of the Board of Trade.

It would be out of the question here to give even a summary of the events of Gladstone's career. His hand wrote history and his personality is found interlining the political records of his time. Pitted against brilliant minds he was always the unconquered, the master-

When, amid a momentary wave of waning popularity, he resigned in 1874 from active eadership, it was only to take the helm a second time in 1880, following the Liberal triumph. In 1886 he was a third time called to leadership as prime minister, and eventually, when his party went out and the Tories under Salisbury took up the reins, Gladstone, disgusted with the drift of the policy into which he and his followers had insensibly drifted, resigned. He declined an earldom at the hands of Queen Victoria, and took the platform despite his 76 years of age. And, until his 82nd year, when even his iron constitution gave way before the long test he had put upon it, he never ceased to champion, on the platform, and with his pen, the cause of self-government for Ireland, a policy which he had adopted as just years before.

July 25, 1889, Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding. Mr. Gladstone passed away May 19,

1898, at the ripe age of eighty-nine years.
With the celebration of the centenary of Gladstone's birth today, the last of a remarkable list of famous centenaries that came in 1909, is observed. Among the others were those of Alfred, Lord Tennyson; Charles D. Darwin; Edgar Allan Poe; Abraham Lincoln; Oliver Wendell Holmes; Frederic Chopin, and Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy.

None gave to the world more than did Gladstone, and in no time was he surpassed in debate. Of him, Sir W. E. W. Hamilton has

"His choice of language was unbounded his flow of words was not that of the mountain stream which comes tumbling down helter skelter. It was that of the river with an immense volume of water whose downward course is as regular as it is stately. He never gabbled; he never drawled. He was a living thesaurus or 'Gradus,' containing synonym after synonym, and it was this extraordinary wealth of words which laid him open to the charge—not without reason—of being verbose. Diffuseness at times led to discursiveness."

On one occasion Mr. Bright, discussing Gladstone's fault, said:

"I sail, or try to sail, from headland to headland. Gladstone, making for the same point, sails round the coast, and whenever he comes to a navigable river, he cannot resist the temptation of tracing it to its source.

Gladstone's sentences were often very long, and sometimes the wonder was that he could extricate himself from the maze of words he flung about himself. Yet there was nothing faulty in the construction of his sentences. He might have parentheses and even parentheses within parentheses, but no sentence was ever' ungrammatic or unfinished.

## NO CHANCE OF A MIRACLE

One day Dr. Norman McLeod, who was a large and healthy man, and one of his burly elders went to pay a visit to a certain Mrs. MacLaren of the congregation, who lived in the Scottish Hills. She was a frugal woman, but determined that they should have the best in the house. So she piled the table with jellies and jam and preserves and shortbread, and

they partook unsparingly.

After the meak the elder said to her: "Mrs. MacLaren, were you at the kirk on Sunday?" "Oh, aye," she said, "I was." "And what did you think of the treatment of the miracle?' the sermon had been on loaves and fishes).

'I thought it was good," said Mrs. MacLaren. "And what is your idea on the subject, Mrs. MacLaren?" asked the minister.

"Losh!" replied their hostess; "I'm thinkin" that if you and the elder had been in the congregation there wadn't ha' been twelve baskets o' fragments for the disciples to gather up!"

### NOT EXPERIENCED

Mr. Herbert Gladstone, who is to be the first governor-general of the Union of South Africa, was some time ago the hero of an amusing situation. He was addressing a woman's suffrage meeting in a northern English town, and waxed quite eloquent in praise of the ladies. In the course of his speech he remarked on the great pleasure which it gives the male sex to listen to a woman talking. Immediately he was answered by a voice at the back of the hall in broad Yorkshire dialect:

"Eh, lad, thou'st noan wed yet, I see."

## Centenary of Birth of Gladstone Celebrated Last Week observation on his entrance is that of Sir Roderick Murchison, who said that Gladstone was

During the past week was celebrated the centenary of the birth of the Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, the last of a great company of illustrious men who were born in the eventful year of 1809.

In that company there are numbered Alfred, Lord Tennyson, Charles Darwin, Edgar Allen Poe, Abraham Lincoln, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Frederic Chopin, and Felix Mendels-

Sohn-Bartholdy.
One hundred years ago Wednesday, in a fine house where culture put wealth to its best uses, situated at 62 Rodney street, Liverpool, there was born a man child who, during the 89 years of his life, left an imprint on the political history of the British Empire that has never been surpassed. Today is the centenary of the birth of William Ewart Gladstone, three times prime minister of Great Britain, and, during the later years of his life, England's Grand Old Man.

Gladstone was descended from the Gledstanes of Lanarkshire, the Gledstanes taking their name from their residence, the derivation of the name of the latter being apparent from the fact that "gled" signified "hawk" and "stanes" stones, the stones about the Gledstanes' residence or seat having been a favor-

ite resting place for hawks. William Ewart (named for a friend of his father) was the third son of John Gladstone, a-Scotsman and a Lowlander, and Anne Robertson, daughter of a Highland Scotsman, and his advent in this world took place at a time when the world was passing through a critical period in its history. Napoleon was wading through rivers of blood to a throne, upsetting the whole economy of Europe, and at home a crazy king and a profligate heir-apparent presided over a social system in which all of the civil evils were harmoniously combined. The results of this history-making were among the first impressions made upon the record of the young boy's sensitive mind.

Sir John Gladstone, Bart., the boy's father, was a man of considerable attainments, whose strong will and whose wealth made him a conspicuous and even a ruling figure in Liver-pool politics. In the home circle he encouraged his children to friendly argument, and, it is recorded on good authority, the elder Gladstone and his sons were used to debate, in perfect good humor, but with sound logic, any and every question from the broiling or frying of breakfast trout to the foreign policy of the Em-

Receiving his earliest training in this at-mosphere, Gladstone soon developed traits that, to the shrewder minds, gave promise, even at so early a time in his career, of a brilliant future; but none guessed the true scope of that future

In 1821 Gladstone first went away from the influence of his early home life; but it was only to pass, in an eminently suitable state of development, to the broader influences of Eton. Eton left its mark on Gladstone and Gladstone left his mark on Eton in common with other brilliant minds that were contemporary there. Eton, when Gladstone entered, was under the rule of the terrific Dr. Keate, and in proof that his arrival caused no heraldthen "the prettiest little boy that ever went to

At Eton, as, afterwards at Oxford, Gladstone stood for what was manly and straightforward. He was a bit of a "snap" or "grind" according to report. He was not inclined to athletics but he kept a private shell and practiced sculling. In his studies, however, he was ever a leader, although his power lay not so much in brilliance of intellect as in breadth and power to grasp and retain. His insight was remarkable and his ability and fine character attracted several of the brightest boys of the school to him. He was not generally popular at Eton nor even well known, but his most intimate and perhaps his best friend was that friend of Tennyson who called forth and was worthy of "In Memoriam"-Arthur Hallam.

Gladstone left Eton in 1827, at Christmas, and for six months he read with private tutors. The following year he went up to Christ Church, Oxford, and in 1829 he was nominated to a studentship.

Gladstone's career at Oxford was characterized by his development as a debater and stu-dent. He was a leader among a select set, whose morals were rather above those of many of the men of that period, and whose relation with the men of other sets was, therefore, not intimate. Yet even men who ridiculed the scruples of Gladstone's friends admired Gladstone, as is shown in the comment of one of the men who were at Oxford at that time. This man wrote on one occasion that he regretted ing burst of pyrotechnics, the only record of an that Gladstone had associated himself with

NATURAL INCREASE OF

Daffodil bulbs split up and offsets. The natural increase in ties of daffodils is so great that year after planting, the number of trebled and in time, varying from years no matter what the var clumps will have become so dens need lifting and dividing. Thes ually attain full growth in about Of course, the clumps may be left definitely, which they will do pr soil and other conditions are cong der to attain the best results, the be dug, lifted and sorted every to smaller offsets being grown on When the bulbs are about four ye produce the best flowers, and in year will develop into the double nosed forms-that is, two or mor enclosed in one skin. These bulb up the succeeding year. The cut flowers this season will not have do with the production of next Of course, it will be better to prev from ripening, thus encouraging, hand, the full growth of the foliage the bulbs about the time when the yellowed down to about one-thir top-not later. The bulbs may th in a cool, airy, shaded place and ripen and cure until the old root when they are easily cleaned off ar divided, and replanted as soon as n replanting, give them new soil.

### VINES FOR SHADED PL

Few plants will grow under tr larly under such trees as the ash which are notorious for sucking e moisture from the ground. All t done is to suggest, which will nece doing more or less experimenting, buy too many plants of a kind to Buy a few, and if they succeed, the Some vines which are to be recomm shaded places are woodbine (Ampe quefolia), Japanese ivy (Ampelop pidata, but usually spoken of by the men as A. Veitchii), the running sp (Euonymus radicans), climbing (Hydrangea petiolaris) and the ing hydrangea (Schizophragma oides). The two species of ampelo ciduous vines and thoroughly hardy itude. In the Mississippi Valley form of the woodbine which clings of disk-bearing tendrils; be sure form rather than the one which doe the disks, because then it will be ne constantly tack it in place. The Ja will cling to stone or wood, as will t spindle tree. This latter is an everg climbing hydrangea will succeed in and more or less shaded places, but bloom unless grown in the sun. climbing hydrangea prefers moist partial shade, but will thrive in full these are deciduous. For shrubs for h hedge (Berberis vulgaris) will hedge si xor seven feet high. Th hedge (Ligustrum) is the only private is hardy in the central West, accordi fessor A. T. Erwin, of the Iowa Ag College. This will grow eight or high. The ground yew (Taxus Ca is also suggested.

## DELPHINIUMS

The Deli ninium of today is one beautiful of all flowers, and provide -blue-of which we have too little flowers. It is most rich, indeed gor coloring, and its stateliness of habit i We know of no flower which exhil splendidly the various shades of t lovely color, blue; the Forget-me-no for its fresh azure; the Gentian for which is called by its name; the De possesses both of these in its repe tints, together with the depth of the and the hue of imperial purple; and mountain snows shine more resplene setting of blue sky, and the purity of mond adds to the effect of the sapphi striking white central petals of the ium form the best of all possible con the color of the surrounding sepals.

The foliage of the Delphinium is and classical in outline, possessing a s to that of the Acanthus, which, it is s was the model for the capitals in ( architecture. The columnar spikes are freely borne, and succeed one through a prolonged season with a lit agement. A bed or border of Delr will often remain in full flower f months, and the whole of that time w color to the garden which would be wanting.

### DAFFODIL NOMENCLATUR

The poeticus, polyanthus (Tazetta) sus, the jonquil, and the large trumpe dil are varieties of different species in botanical genus Narcissus. The trum fodils are varieties of N. Pseudo-Na The polyanthus narcissus (including the White, Double Roman, etc.), are vari . Tazetta. The poet's narcissus incl the varieties of the species N. Poeti jonquil is a species known as N. Jo The narcissus family is divided into the groups, called respectively, I, Magni-cor large trumpet; 2, Medii-coronati, or co fodils; 3, Parvi-coronati, or saucer da Most varieties of Group I are commonl daffodils, while those of Group 3 ar monly known as narcissus, including of the poet's and polyanthus groups. Gro "only fit to reside with guished himself at Oxford and in the year following in Italy. Upon his return ment, although he was but I on January 29, 1833, in the ament, he had a seat. At er says, he was of a striking arance. His features wer is complexion pale and his

blic career Gladstone staron general attention by the by some to be the only that went to the bottom of

lic career was noteworthy ne of the publication of that course, it in no wise deook as a cause. The cause power, his wonderful mengeneralship and his elo-

Gladstone was married to t daughter of Sir Stephen len. At this time he was his remarkable career, one ble offices he held being the he Board of Trade.

of the question here to give the events of Gladstone's wrote history and his perterlining the political rectted against brilliant minds unconquered, the master-

mentary wave of waning gned in 1874 from active y to take the helm a secollowing the Liberal triwas a third time called to minister, and eventually, out and the Tories under ne reins, Gladstone, dis t of the policy into which had insensibly drifted ed an earldom at the hands nd took the platform deage. And, until his 82nd on constitution gave way he had put upon it, he pion, on the platform, and ise of self-government for ch he had adopted as just

and Mrs. Gladstone celenniversary of their wedpassed away May 19, of eighty-nine years. tion of the centenary of ay, the last of a remarkentenaries that came in Among the others were I Tennyson; Charles D. Poe; Abraham Lincoln; es; Frederic Chopin, and artholdy.

world more than did time was he surpassed in W. E. W. Hamilton has

anguage was unbounded ords was not that of the ch comes tumbling down that of the river with an water whose downward s it is stately. He never wled. He was a living ,' containing synonym was this extraordinary ch laid him open to the eason-of being verbose. led to discursiveness." Mr. Bright, discussing

, from headland to headring for the same point, and whenever he comes cannot resist the tempts source.

ces were often very long, nder was that he could the maze of words he Yet there was nothing ion of his sentences. He es and even parentheses it no sentence was ever'

## OF A MIRACLE

an McLeod, who was a , and one of his burly visit to a certain Mrs. gregation, who lived in e was a frugal woman, ey should have the best ed the table with jellies s and shortbread, and

elder said to her: "Mrs. t the kirk on Sunday?" was." "And what did ment of the miracle?" on loaves and fishes). ' said Mrs. MacLaren. dea on the subject, Mrs. minister.

r hostess; "I'm thinkin' er had been in the con-ha' been twelve baskets sciples to gather up!"

### ERIENCED

tone, who is to be the of the Union of South go the hero of an amus-addressing a woman's torthern English town, nt in praise of the lahis speech he remarked which it gives the male talking. Immediately oice at the back of the n wed yet, I see."

RURAL AND SUBURBAN~

BEEN TO THE PERSON OF

NATURAL INCREASE OF DAFFODILS

Daffodil bulbs split up and multiply by offsets. The natural increase in some varieties of daffodils is so great that the second year after planting, the number of bulbs will be trebled and in time, varying from three to six years no matter what the variety is, the clumps will have become so dense that they need lifting and dividing. These offsets usually attain full growth in about four years. Of course, the clumps may be left to flower in-definitely, which they will do providing the soil and other conditions are congenial. In order to attain the best results, the bulbs must be dug, lifted and sorted every two years, the smaller offsets being grown on separately. When the bulbs are about four years old, they produce the best flowers, and in the following year will develop into the double, or triplenosed forms—that is, two or more bulbs being enclosed in one skin. These bulbs will break up the succeeding year. The cutting of the flowers this season will not have anything to do with the production of next year's crop. Of course, it will be better to prevent the seed from ripening, thus encouraging, on the other hand, the full growth of the foliage, and lifting the bulbs about the time when the foliage has yellowed down to about one-third from the top-not later. The bulbs may then be stored in a cool, airy, shaded place and allowed to ripen and cure until the old roots are dry, when they are easily cleaned off and the bulbs divided, and replanted as soon as possible. In replanting, give them new soil.

### VINES FOR SHADED PLACES

Few plants will grow under trees, particularly under such trees as the ash and elm, which are notorious for sucking every bit of moisture from the ground. All that can be done is to suggest, which will necessitate your doing more or less experimenting, so do not buy too many plants of a kind, to start with. Buy a few, and if they succeed, then go ahead. Some vines which are to be recommended for shaded places are woodbine (Ampelopsis quinquefolia), Japanese ivy (Ampelopsis tricuspidata, but usually spoken of by the nurserymen as A. Veitchii), the running spindle tree (Euonymus radicans), climbing hydrangea (Hydrangea petiolaris) and the false climbing hydrangea (Schizophragma hydrangeoides). The two species of ampelopsis are deciduous vines and thoroughly hardy in this latitude. In the Mississippi Valley there is a form of the woodbine which clings by means of disk-bearing tendrils; be sure to get this form rather than the one which does not have the disks, because then it will be necessary to constantly tack it in place. The Japanese ivy will cling to stone or wood, as will the running spindle tree. This latter is an evergreen. The climbing hydrangea will succeed in rather dry and more or less shaded places, but it will not bloom unless grown in the sun. The false climbing hydrangea prefers moist soil and partial shade, but will thrive in full sun. Both these are deciduous. For shrubs for hedges, the hedge (Berberis vulgaris) will make a hedge si xor seven feet high. The Polish nedge (Ligustrum) is the only privet which s hardy in the central West, according to Professor A. T. Erwin, of the Iowa Agricultural College. This will grow eight or nine feet The ground yew (Taxus Canadensis) is also suggested.

### DELPHINIUMS

The Delphinium of today is one of the most beautiful of all flowers, and provides a color -blue-of which we have too little amongst oloring, and its stateliness of habit is marked. We know of no flower which exhibits more splendidly the various shades of that most lovely color, blue; the Forget-me-not is loved for its fresh azure; the Gentian for the shade which is called by its name; the Delphinium possesses both of these in its repertoire of tints, together with the depth of the sapphire and the hue of imperial purple; and as the mountain snows shine more resplendent in a setting of blue sky, and the purity of the diamond adds to the effect of the sapphire, so the striking white central petals of the Delphinium form the best of all possible contrasts to

the color of the surrounding sepals.
The foliage of the Delphinium is shapely and classical in outline, possessing a similarity to that of the Acanthus, which, it is supposed, was the model for the capitals in Corinthian architecture. The columnar spikes of bloom are freely borne, and succeed one another through a prolonged season with a little mangement. A bed or border of Delphiniums will often remain in full flower for three months, and the whole of that time will add a color to the garden which would otherwise

### DAFFODIL NOMENCLATURE

The poeticus, polyanthus (Tazetta), narcis-sus, the jonquil, and the large trumpet daffodil are varieties of different species in the one botanical genus Narcissus. The trumpet daffodils are varieties of N. Pseudo-Narcissus. The polyanthus natcissus (including the Paper White, Double Roman, etc.), are varieties of N. Tazetta. The poet's narcissus includes all the varieties of the species N. Poeticus; the jonquil is a species known as N. Jonquilla. The narcissus family is divided into three big groups, called respectively, 1, Magni-coronati, or large trumpet; 2, Medii-coronati, or cup datfodils; 3. Parvi-coronati, or saucer daffodils. Most varieties of Group 1 are commonly called daffodils, while those of Group 3 are com-monly known as narcissus, including of course the ppet's and polyanthus groups. Group 2 is

composed essentially, and perhaps entirely, of hybrids between different species and varieties of Groups I and 3, and embraces every degree of difference between the two extremes. The jonquil differs from the recognized daffodils in having cluster flowers, and from the polyanthus narcissus in having rush-like leaves instead of flat; it is very fragrant and the flowers are of a very deep yellow color.

### GAILLARDIAS

These show flowers are sometimes as much as five inches in diameter, and may be seen ning in the open through many months, often expanding their first blooms in June, and in open winters not becoming flowerless until November or December. As dry weather flowers they have no equal among perennials, since even after weeks of drought they show scarcely any signs of flagging. Gaillardias of the perennial section make handsome bedding plants when pegged down, as they entirely cover the soil with their leafage and are thickly studded with their large blossoms of crimson and gold. For the provision of cut bloom Gaillardias are also valuable, the flowers being of striking colors and lasting well in water.

### LOOKING BACKWARDS

By W. J. L. Hamilton, Salt Spring, B. C. Since I first came to Victoria, in 1801, great changes have taken place in the orchard industry of the province. In those days, small boxes of varying size and frequently made of shakes were utilized as apple boxes, and apples of all sizes, and sometimes of various kinds, were thrown into these without any attempt at packing them.

Oyster shell scale, scab, and other diseases did not cut any figure, but fruit thus diseased was mixed, with a happy impartiality, with that not so badly afflicted. All these found a sale at low prices, since the supply was limited, and the fruit-growing public were not hypercritical

In those days there were no orchard specialists, but every farmer, nay, every householder almost, grew a few apple trees, and found it pay after a fashion, as the trees cost them nothing, land was cheap, and cultivation

and spraying never thought of.

But this state of affairs could not last, as one fruit tree disease after another was imported to the province, with the orchard stock brought in from all parts, owing to the work of the ubiquitous and irresponsible tree agent. To the oldtime tree agent is due much of the scrub fruit now in the province, as the number of irresponsible firms these represented sold the farmers any kind of a seedling, so long as it had a high-sounding name; to them also is due the large number of varieties found in the few of the old orchards which have survived the ravages of disease.

I am not, of course, alluding to the representatives of responsible firms, whom we now meet at times. But these conditions could not continue, as, disease piling on disease, the trees died or became unfruitful, and the apples were so unattractive, scabby and distorted as to be unsaleable.

The markets, too, changed, and became more particular, and better class fruit was found to bring prices sufficiently remunerative to warrant commercial orchard work.

Meanwhile Strawsons, Limited, had, in England, introduced a form of sprayer, and experiments in tree spraying had shown the possibility of thus checking disease. With improved methods and better sprays, fruit-growing prospects improved, and, naturally, these advanced fruit-growers strongly objected to of unsprayed trees, which kept reinfecting their orchards as fast as they sprayed

Modern market requirements, the development of the orchard industry as a matter of vital interest to the province, since it could be made one of its most profitable assets, and, more than all, the increased number and importance of the orchardists themselves, and e pressure they brought to bear on the matter, compelled the government to make certain spraying laws.

This was also forced upon them by Dominion legislation, defining size of boxes and qualities of fruit, so that some provincial raying laws became absolutely compulsory,

It is only, however, comparatively recently that effective sprays have been found, and the last word has not, undoubtedly, been said yet, but there is every prospect, owing to better knowledge of the subject, that all pests will in future be kept well in hand.

I remember one gentleman, in reply to a previous article of mine, found fault with me recommending spraying at all, claiming that cultivation and fertilization would keep an orchard perfectly clean, and eradicate existing disease.

I did not think this worth replying to, as there is not an orchardist in the province, worthy of the name, who does not keep his trees both cultivated and fertilized, and yet very few of them can boast of being free of disease. I do admit, however, that clean cultivation and judicious fertilization will, by promoting vigorous growth, and in protecting the trees infection, and, anyhow, without this, commercial fruit-growing cannot be profitable, any more than it can without spraying.

### VASE FORM OF TRAINING FOR FRUIT TREES.

By W. J. L. Hamilton, South Salt Spring, B. C. It is conceded amongst up-to-date orchardists that one-year-old trees are the best to plant. They are easier set in their locations. receive less of a shook in transplanting, and,

more important still, they can be trained exactly as the grower desires.

Directly these yearling trees are set, in the

fall, they should be cut off at about 30 inches above ground level, and close to a bud. As they are simply unbranched switches, this is quite easy. They should receive their winter spraying, and will be consequently healthy, and make good, thrifty growth the next summer. During this summer the grower will find his trees have sent out a number of fresh twigs all up the stem. All of these near the ground say to a height of 15 inches, should be rubbed off whilst still quite young, and five of those from 15 to 30 inches should be reserved to form the framework of the future tree, all others being also rubbed off.

These twigs left on should be selected as being the best situated to form a well balanced head, springing out equally all around the main section, but of course at different heights above the ground. These five branches should be permitted to grow freely all the season, being kept free from disease by spraying when necessary. During the ensuing winter branches should be cut back about one-third of their year's growth, always, of course, to a bud, and if the center stem projects at all above the fifth (topmost) branch, it should be cut off level with it, as we do not want a central stem.

During the following summer any further shoots (beyond these five) that may spring from the main stem, must be removed, and it will be found that every bud left on the five branches will most likely start to grow. Two of these on each branch, the topmost bud, and another situated further down the branch and nearer the main stem, should be permitted to grow to their full length, and all the other shoots should be also allowed to grow to a length of some inches, when, whilst still green and tender, they should be nipped off with the thumb nail at about four buds from the main branch. This will in two years produce fruitbearing spurs.

We now have the tree supplied with a suitable framework consisting of five branches, each of which, at a foot or so from the main stem, forks into two. These ten branches are trained steadily outwards and upwards from year to year, forming the main branches of the tree, and closely set all around with fruitbearing spurs, so that each tree will look in May like ten wreaths of bloom, and, later on, of fruit. Each winter, one-third of the year's growth of these ten main branches will be cut back, and each summer the end shoot, springing from the top bud, where it was cut off, must be allowed to grow every other shoot being nipped off at about the 4th bud. As fruitbearing spurs are but abortive branches, and as this pinching back causes these to form, the whole of each branch is thickly set with these spurs. Whilst still young, tarred yarn (Marlin) is used to hold the trees into shape, and to prevent the snow breaking them down, and once the branches are stout enough to bear it, galvanized screw eyes are inserted, one in each of the 10-branches, 10 feet above the ground, and a No. 13 galvanized wire is run from each of these eyes to a galvanized ring to which it is fastened, and the ring is thus held in suspension in the centre of the tree, the wires radiating from it like ten spokes, rendering all the branches mutually self-supporting.

Many years experience of many fruit-growers goes to prove that these screw eyes do not injure the trees, whilst they give strong support, and keep the trees in shape. Up to ro feet high the fruit is picked from the ground, with the aid of a low stool to stand on, whilst to have two churns, one large and one meabove to feet a plank is passed through the dium sized, so that when the supply of cream tree above the wires, each end supported on a step ladder, so no damage is done to the L. McKay, Iowa College of Agriculture. branches, whilst all the fruit is easily reached by the pickers, and so is not bruised, being more cheaply gathered than off the pyramid trained trees. Of course, spraying and thin-ning is also expeditiously and cheaply performed, and, as the sunlight easily penetrates to all parts of the tree, the fruit is evenly and

highly colored. The branches, forming a solid column as it were, the wind does not often shake off the fruit, and altogether it has, many advantages over any other form of training, such as "pyramid' or "modified." I might add that a large head is quicker formed than if the pyramid form were adopted, and so quicker results are

This form of training can be applied to any orchard tree. A word of caution. This arrangement of close set spurs along the ten main branches

only applies to the coast region, where the water in suspension in the air modifies the suns heat. In the upper country a lesser growth should be encouraged around the main stems if there is danger of sun baking.

### CARING FOR GEESE DURING WINTER

No one is thinking of hatching goslings now. The grass must be green, and snow-storms things of the past, before the geese will care to lay. It is not too early, however, to be considering the welfare of the parent birds, for a little care in housing and feeding at this time of year will be invaluable to the young sters when they do come. To begin with, it is best to prepare permanent quarters for the old geese and to separate any that are quarrelsome. It is generally the lightest and most nimble among the ganders that win the battle, and you may come upon your heaviest and most valuable with his life choked out, or his head injured. An open shed with a wire front is the best kind of house for geese, as they do not like very snug quarters, preferring if left to their own choice, roosting out on the snow. A nest should be made for every goose and a china egg placed in each one. The geese will become familiar with those eggs, and unless

disturbed will always lay beside one of them. They should all be fed a little grain every day, and a little mash with a pinch of poultry spice in it. This will not hasten the laying of the eggs unduly, but will ensure a higher fertility during the season. I do not find that the geese will eat meat of any kind unless it is mixed into the mash, but I do not think that they require it. Good sharp shell grit may be added, and when the snow is deep, clover hay, hem-lock branches or any kind of root crop or green stuff may be given. They require but very little to winter them through, as they are better if not fat.—Octavic Allan, Ganges, B. C.

## EXCESSIVE MOISTURE IN BUTTER.

The greatest varying factor in butter is water. The variation in dairy butter sometimes runs from 9 to 25 per cent. It is not desirable or honest to incorporate a high per cent of water. The law of the United States has recognized 16 per cent as the maximum amount of water that butter may contain. The controlling of moisture in butter to a per centis a difficult problem; therefore a maker would be safe in not trying to go over 14 per

Butter fat exists in cream in the form, of microscopic spheres known as fat globules. Under proper conditions the concussion of the churning makes the globules strike together and the impact causes them to form masses. The masses continue to increase in size with the progress of churning and rise to the surface of the buttermilk.

Butter made from thin cream and churned at a low temperature gathers very slowly for the following reasons: (1) The fat globules are distributed in a large volume of milk serum and the chance of striking one another is less than in thick cream. (2) The low temperature hardens the fat so that the globules do not cohere readily and may probably strike together several times before adhering. The surface of such granules usually becomes smooth and the granule itself becomes very

A rich cream, that has been kept at a comparatively high temperature, will churn very rapidly. The globules are in close proximity and there are naturally many chances of striking together to form large masses. Butter churned from this kind of cream has a tendency to gather in irregular shaped granules which are not driven so violently, consequently they hold more water or moisture. If cream is churned at a very high temperature, the result is that butter will gather quickly and incorporate an excessive amount of water and casein, which will affect the body and color. An excessive amount of water has a tendency to make the butter lifeless and pale in color. A 35 to 38 per cent, cream will give as good satisfaction in churning as cream of any other per cent. Churning at 50 or 52 degrees, or at a low enough temperature so that butter will gather in 40 or 45 minutes in granules about as large as wheat, and not too soft or too hard, will produce butter of the very best quality. Long churnings or quick churnings are not desirable. A large sized granule is conducive to high moisture. Therefore, the factors that control moisture are thickness of cream; temperature of churning; amount of cream churned at a time, remembering that a churn two-thirds full will give greater overrun than a churn half-full under normal conditions and the last factor the kind of churn used. It would be well for every creamery L. McKay, Iowa College of Agriculture.

### PUTTING HUMUS IN THE SOIL

Hauling enough clay to cover twenty acres of sandy soil is out of the question. A six or eight-inch dressing means moving and spreading 40,000,000 to 60,000,000 lbs., which would cost more than any twenty acre farm I know of, even if the clay was right at hand. A light dressing turned under shallow and well harrowed in might pay if hauling and labor are very cheap. A light sandy soil may quickly be made to hold enough moisture for a corn crop by heavy dressings of coarse stable manure, or more slowly by a combination of stable manure and turning under green crops. Either of these methods will tend to form a rich mellow soil, and are preferable to clay dressings. An implement known as the sub-surface packer, much used on light soils in the acrid regions, should prove of value on your light soil. It is used after plowing and before harrowing, working between the furrow slices, and packing the bottom of the furrows so that more of the rainfall is held in the upper soil.

### FARM AND POULTRY NOTES

There should be a yard or paddock in which the family cow can be turned out for a time on every pleasant day, whenever possible, and the old-fashioned stanchion or tie-up should be replaced by a chain or swinging stanchion.

Breeding-pens may be made up this month, and the incubator, if one is to be used, should be overhauled and put in readiness for spring

If the hens are laying well this month, it will be because they are fed a variety of grain and forced to keep busy scratching in a deep litter of hay, straw or leaves, as well as kept

free from lice, and in dry quarters.

In order to be sure that the fowls do not become afflicted with colds or roup, give them plenty of ventilation, although they should always be kept free from drafts. There is hardly a day in winter when the windows cannot be

### FEEDING IN COLD WEATHER

It sometimes happens that the beekeeper finds a colony of bees in his apiary at this time of year that, either through carelessness or lack of opportunity to give it proper attention at the proper time, is short of stores to such an extent that it will certainly starve to death before spring unless something is done to help it, and often because the owner does not know just what to do and how to do it, the unfortunate bees are left to their fate, and the unfortunate owner is out of pocket to the extent of their value. The discrepancy in weight is usually discovered when the hive is lifted to be carried into the cellar, or is being prepared for packing on its summer stand, and the owner wonders how he came to miss it at the general feeding time, and what is to be done with it now. The bees cannot be fed liquid feed now; as they could have been two or three months ago, for the weather is too. cold for them to leave their cluster to carry the feed from the feeder, and it could not be properly ripened and sealed up even if it should be stored in the combs. It is obvious, therefore, that some other method of feeding must be adopted. A good way to supply a colony with food at this late season of the year is to make "candy" of white granulated sugar and water and lay the cakes of candy on top of the frames directly over the cluster of bees, so that they can reach it without leaving the cluster. The candy is made by placing granulated sugar in a vessel with just enough water to moisten it, then place the vessel on the stove and melt up the sugar. Let it boil, and stir it occasionally until it is "done." To find when this stage is reached, dip out a little with a spoon every few minutes, and stir it on a cold dish. When it will cool hard and white, without any stickiness, it is done. Have ready a pan or dish of some kind-a square-cornered pan is handiest, as it makes a cake of candy of a shape most convenient to lay on top of the frames of the hive—pour the material into the pan, having first very slightly greased the latter, or, better still, line it with paraffine paper, to prevent the candy adhering to it when cold. Stir the candy while cooling, until it becomes too stiff, and, when it has hardened and cooled, remove it from the pan and place it on the frames directly over the bees. Cover it up with several thicknesses of cloth, if in the cellar, and with a cushion in addition, if outside, and there you are. One very important point to remember is. that the greatest care must be taken not to let the sugar become burnt or "scorched" in the melting, as candy that has been even slightly burnt will kill the bees sure if fed to them. If it should become burnt, it must be discarded and a fresh lot made. Within the tast few years several successful beekeepers in various parts of the country have reported good results from feeding ordinary loaf sugar, just as it comes from the grocery, only very slightly moistened with water. If this can be used successfully-and it apparently can be-it will do away with the necessity of making candy as described above. The candy, however, has stood the test of years, and is almost universally used where bees have to be fed in cold weather.-E. G. H.

## SOME TRUTHS ABOUT STOCK FOODS

There is a good deal of misunderstanding about the real value of the various condimental stock foods as a part of the ration for either stock or poultry. Professor F. W. Woll, of the Wisconsin station, in Bulletin No. 151 has summarized some feeding experiments with them. Trials were conducted by about a dozen periment stations—in all twenty-three different trials. In twenty-one out of the twenty-three experiments nothing was gained by including these foods in the rations, and they were a detriment in that the cost of the ration was increased by their addition, thus increasing the cost of the products. Therefore there is nothing to be gained by feeding a healthy animal with one of these condiments. As a medicine they are not much better, as has been pointed out by the Iowa Agricultural Experimental station in Bulletin No. 87. Onehalf or more of these foods is composed of common feeding stuffs and are worth about \$1.50 per 100 pounds. About one-tenth is composed of common salt, another tenth of charcoal, which leaves only about three-tenths of the bulk to be made up of such simple drugs as anise, sulphur, ginger, red pepper, sassafras, and Epsom salts, all of which possesses mild medicinal properties, but because they are fed in such small daily quantities really do no good. To show how little good these drugs do when fed in a stock food consider the gentian, for instance. This is the most important remmedy found in a stock food and really is the backbone of the preparation. A dose for a horse is one ounce, for a cow two ounces (a tablespoonful), of the pure drug, but as the stock foods or tonics contain only about two per cent., the animal gets only about one-fiftieth or one-hundredth of the required dose of the drug if fed the "food" in the quantities recommended by the manufacturers. It is obvious from the light thrown on the subject by these experiments that money expended on condition powders is thrown away.-Garden Magazine.

When a horse kicks in harness, place a surcingle around the body, take a good stout rope and put it around the horse's neck, then run the end of it between the fore-legs and through the surcingle to a pulley in the end just back of the surcingle. Next put a good strap around each hind ankle. Take another rope and tie into one strap and run up through the pulley and back to the other. Allow just room enough to walk with ease and you can soon conquer a kicking horse,



# Our January Sale Rolls Merrily Onward

# Extra Special Bargains in Men's Suits, Friday

Reg. Val. \$10.00, \$6.75 | Reg. Val. \$12.50 \$8.75 | to \$15, Fri. Sale, \$8.75

To say that this sale has been highly successful since its opening day and that it has realized our highest expectations goes without saying. Every department included has been extremely busy, but, for Friday, we have planned to make the Men's Clothing Section the leading department, by placing on sale a most notable aggregation of Men's Suits at surprisingly low prices. No matter how fastidious or particular you may be, you will find these clothes will meet with every desired wish. They are in single and double-breasted effects, splendidly tailored, the materials are chiefly serges and worsteds, and usually sell as follows:

Reg. Val. \$10.00, \$6.75 Reg. Val. \$12.50 \$8.75 to \$15, Fri. Sale, \$8.75

## Infants' Boots and Slippers at 65c

Child's Slippers at 85c

CHILDS' GLAZED KID OXFORD SHOES, in black, tan 

Misses' Boots at \$1.25

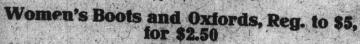
MISSES' BOX CALF BLUCHER. Sizes 11 to 2. Regular \$1.25 value \$1.75
MISSES GLAZED KID BLUCHER. Sizes 11 to 2. Regular value \$1.75

\*\*1.25\*\*

Boys' Boots, Reg. to \$1.50 for 90c BOYS' BUFF LEATHER BOOTS. Sizes 11 to 5. Regular 

Boys' Boots, Reg. \$2.25, for \$1.50

BOYS' DONGOLA LACE BOOTS. stout sewn soles. Sizes I to 5. Reg strong and reliable for school. Sizes
11 to 5. Regular value \$2.00. \$1.50
BOYS' BOX CALF BLUCHER. All sizes from it to 5. Regular value ER BOOTS, heavy soles. Sizes 1 to 5. Regular value \$1.75 . . 81.50



GLAZED KID BLUCHER, patent tips, high or low heels er glazed kid, gun metal, tan Russia and tan kid, etc. All "Queen Quality" make. Regular values \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00. All sizes in stock Special Fri. Bargains in Ladies' Hosiery Men's Boots, Reg. Val. to

fashioned, heavy quality pure cashmere... 50¢

LADIES' PLAIN CASHMERE HOSE, full
fashioned elastic top, fine quality... 50¢

LADIES' TAN CASHMERE HOSE, full
fashioned elastic top, fine quality... 50¢

LADIES' TAN CASHMERE HOSE, full
fashioned, heavy weight... 50¢

LADIES' 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 RIBBED CASHMERE
HOSE, absolutely fast dye... 50¢

Fancy Ribbons on Sale, Friday

grounds, with prefty pansy, rose, carnation and fancy pine patterns, useful for hair-ties, sashes, etc. Regular 35c and 75c. Friday 25¢

FINE ALL-SILK DRESDEN RIBBONS, | 10 PIECES ALL-SILK TAFFETA RIBBON, just the right thing for hair ties and millinery. It is good five inches wide. Regular 40c. Friday .... 25¢

Muslin Pillow Shams on Sale, Friday MUSLIN PILLOW SHAMS AND DRESSER GOVERS TO MATCH. Very fancy French cut 

Clearing Out Odd Lines in Corsets

P. D. CORSETS, made from the best quality coutil, whalebone filled, with and without supporters, long hip and front, sizes 18, 19, 22 to 30. Regular price \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$8.00, clearing at ......\$1.00

Also a few BON-TONS, Royal Worcester, elc a la Grace, and D. and A., all sizes (but not in any one line), 18 to 30. Regular prices \$3.00 

## Silks at January Sale Prices

HEAVY GEISHA SILK, self colors and checks, stripes, etc., suitable for dresses, blouses, or evening costumes, in plain light colors. Regular 75c. January Sale ..... 50¢ SELF-COLORED PONGEE SILKS, 26 in. and 34in. wide. Blues, browns, greens, fawn, tan, red, rose, old rose, royal. Regular 75c and \$1.00. January Sale, per yard .... 50¢ 20-inch FANCY STRIPE LOUSINE SILK, a very strong texture, but dainty and delicate in colorings and effects, white with blue,

white with grey, white with mauve, white with Nile. An excellent blouse material. 23-inch MOIRETTE SILK, for petticoats, opera coat linings, or coat linings, also nice striped satin sleeve lining. Value 75c. Jan-

50c and 75c Silk, January Sale, per yard, 25c. BIG BARGAIN, comprising Pongee Silks, in stripes 27 in. wide, Geisha Silks in stripe and spots and stripes, in brown and white, and white and black. Regular 65c. January

Sale, per yard

Sale, per yard

Oin. SELF COLORED ORIENTAL SATINS, pink, blues, greens, cardinal, scarlet, rose, old rose, vieux rose, navy, brown, plum.

Regular 90c. January Sale

Very many of these colors have full dress lengths. Now is the time to buy. 22-in. PLAIN SELF COLORED VELVE-

TEENS, as reseda, fawn, navy, black, royal, TEENS, as reseda, lawn, navy, brown, grey, sky, blue, scarlet. Regular 65c 

\$6.50, for \$3.50



his includes practi-cally the whole of our stock of Men's tresh goods and are guaranteed to give entire satisfaction. The regular prices are \$4.50 to .. \$6.50

MEN'S GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER, double soles. Goodyear welts. Regular value \$6.50 .....\$3.50 TAN OIL GRAIN BLUCHER, waterproof soles. American TAN CHROME LEATHER BLUCHER, leather lined, broad 

BOX CALF BLUCHER, leather lined, extra heavy soles. Regular value \$5.50 ...... \$3.50 ENGLISH KIP BLUCHER, waterproof sole. A wonder for

wear. Regular value \$5.50 ......\$3.50 PATENT COLT BLUCHER, Goodyear welt, broad, medium BOX CALF BLUCHER, Goodyear welts, broad, medium or 

GUN METAL BUTTON BOOT, smart swing last. American make. Regular value \$5.00 ......\$3.50 PATENT COLT BUTTON BOOTS, smart style, Goodyear 

About 120 pairs Men's Block Oxford Shoes, in patent colt and gun metal calf, all shapes. Not all sizes in each line, but all sizes in the lot. Regular value \$5.00 and \$5.50...... \$3.50

5 pairs Men's Tan Oxford Shoes in Russia calf and viei kid. All Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.00 and \$5.50...... \$3.50

Chocolates Are Most Dainty 40c

DAVID SPENCER, LTD

Nothing More Tasteful Than 60c Our Chocolates at . . . 60c



VOL. L. NO. 317.

## G.T. PACIFIC **PROGRES**

Tracklaying Soon to Start of Hundred Miles at Prince

NEW STEAMERS RUN

Returning Officials Talk of the Prospects of a Pacific

nipeg, assistant freight traffic man-ager; Capt. C. H. Nicholson, manager of Grand Trunk Pacific steamer; and Fred G. Salter, London, Eng., Euro-pean traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Railway.

To Rush Tracklaying. "Arrangements are now being made or rush the work of tracklaying on the

until in the spring. Happily, the work of building cement piers in bays crossed by the line in the vicinity of Prince Rupert has made great progress than was expected, and there will soon be a clear line straightway for the hundred miles.

one hundred miles.
"The work will be rushed with all possible speed and the middle of the year should see trains in operation.
Of course there will be the inevitable

Steamers to Ply North. "What about the report from Se-attle that the two new steamers will so on the triangular run between Se-attle, Victoria and Vancouver next 60 on the triangular run between Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver next summer, without providing a service to Prince Rupert?" was asked Capt. C. H. Richardson, manager of the company's steamship service.

"It simply arose through a misapprehension. From the very outset Prince Rupert will naturally be our northern port, and the vessels will certainly go there, but the full details of the service to southern ports cannot be announced just at present," he replied.

"The special object of the proposed service is to build up our own terminus and provide facilities for people to get there. It is premature to forecast what it will develop into. That will all depend upon circumstances to be dealt with as they arise. We are prepared to occupy any field that opens. The Prince Rupert will go into commission in June, and her sister ship, the Prince George, is expected to arrive from England four weeks later."

Capt. Nicholson will report the result of his trip on reaching Montreal, and soon afterwards will return here with his tamily. He will establish headquarters in Vancouver.

Traffic Arrancements.

Traffic Arrangements. Traffic Arrangements.

"Our trip as far south as Los Angeles was primarily undertaken in connection with our proposed coast steamship service. A good deal of orsanization work has got to be done in advance, and that necessarily involves conferences with traffic officers of other lines. We were very heartily welcomed everyphere, and are now in a position to recommend the adoution wescomed everyphere, and are now in a position to recommend the adoption of a policy respecting the opening of agencies and other features in connection with the development of prospective traffic," said G. T. Bell, assistant assence traffic manager of both ant passenger traffic manager of both Grand Trunk systems.

The tour also enabled us deal with certain

phoses of our traffic originating on the