

despatch from Chieveley Camp dated esday, December 21, says: "Lyddite inas morning and destroyed every brick rail <text> Tuesday, December 21, says: expressed him the following eat last year's we must con ind." Seals to Burceremony of 1 Shown That Their Dend and Wounded Exceeded Five Hundred, While Porsible of holowing interesting departed to the support, which was of great help to the present moment Harry up to the hore. Stores stores considerably exceeded in the rising the sent of the sufface in this the all the present moment Harry up to the best first yourded are in the two hospital in our lines; three hundred in the hospital in the river with Golonels Ellen hurst and Rhodes preserday. The Beer may hundre hospital in the river with Golonels Ellen hurst and Rhodes preserday. The Beer hospital or the working former line function in a strest end beside which our in the known in autority, said could be a success the new the start dends?
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 New York, Dec. 26.—Over a score of Wall Street magnates have been sub-poenaed to appear before the grand jury to tell what they know of the rumor re-cently circulated about the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co, which it is claimed, seriously affected the stock of that cor-poration. Nearly all of the leading "Dills and bears" are on the list of those called. The Brooklyn Bapid Transit Co-officials offer a reward of \$25,000 for in-persons who circulated the stock-bearing stories.
 Seed islands, who has come on to submit his report and confer with the authori-tes. The essential point of the report is that the seal herds have diminished 20 per cent within the last year. When the Bering Sea negotiations of the American authorities was that the herds were being so diminished by posching and polagie sealing that the animals would become extinct at an ear-iy day. Mr. Morton's report of a dimin-stories.
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 New York, Dec. 26 .- Over a score of M. Morton, United States agent at the Prisoners Released for Want of Evir's knee! Ottawa, Dec. 27.-The following mes-sage was received from Struthcona tothe Boers possess immense stores of food imported by speculative capitalists, un-der a belief that mixing would be allowed during the war. He says also that there were thousands of spectators at the Pre-toria railway station when the British who were captured at Nicholson's Neis 'detrained. The people were ordered by the Boer commandant to bare there heads, and did so. The British, aston-ished, returned the salute." sage was received from Structurona to day: "Have cable from Otter, dated Bel-mont, December 18, that compressed meat and lime juice tablets most ac-ceptable." "The committee being formed will act accordingly. No information has reached the militia department in reference to the capture of any Canadians by Boers. e once more. ned hosts-sland shore. ncient halls forth to fight; int halls nis vight. A DOMESTIC TRAGEDY. nood's pride; nd still; ARTILLERY FROM INDIA. and Suicides-No Known Trouble rly won; far off hill. Offer of Two Batteries Readily Accepted by the Imperial Arms Co., one of the largest sporting Between Them. COLDEST IN TWENTY YEARS. London, Dec. 27.—The Viceroy of In-cutta that there has been no increase of rain and that 2,451,000 natives suffering from famine, are now receiving relief. This Co., one of the largest sporting goods houses in the country, assigned to-day as a result of the collapse of the Globe National Bank of this city, to which the company was largely indebted. The company manufactured bicycles, fire arms and sporting goods of nearly wery description. Winnipeg, Dec. 27.-(Special.)-News has just been received in the city of a terrible tragedy which occurred at the farm house of a quiet German family, residing about ten miles southeast of Rathwell. On Friday morning last, J. P. Dentzer shot and killed his young wife with a shotgun and completed his fiendish work by ending his own life with the same wenpon. Country people ars and can give no motive why Dentzer should have taken his wife's life, as both had lived an apparently happy life. their lives: Berlin, Dec. 27.—An illustration of the severity of the cold throughout Germany is the fact that communication between Scherrebek and the Island of Roem is now had exclusively over a frozen arm of the North Sea, a condition which has not previously existed for twenty years. hearts' best the flood. New York, Dec. 27.—As a result of the protest of merchants against the clas-sification of merchants by the railways and of interviews of members of the Merchants' Association in this city with trunk line officials the latter have said that this classification will go into effect on January 1, but they have promised that the matter of a readjustment of the classifications which it is claimed by the merchants will hurt their business, will be taken up again by the traffic officials and executive officers of the roads, who will sift every grievance to the bottom and meet the merchants half way in making proper readjustment. like these yet be found; the seas FENIAN GHOST STORIES. SAMOA'S NEW CONDITIONS. Washington, Dec. 27.-The British government has acted on the agreement and treaties for the partition of Samoa, and has withdrawn the supervisory au-thority which she has exercised of late years in common with Germany and the United States. For the present, how-ever, the British consular offices remain there: ground. SPANIARDS IN PHILLIPINES. Washington, Dec. 26 .- At the state de-Madrid, Dec. 27 .- The premier, S. he slightest attention is being paid to the many stories of fenian activity that are appearing in papers in all parts of the United States. Officials of the state department when asked regarding the stories published siring their, shoulders and say they are not worth noticing. partment and the British embassy not that bind other Land-lown the wind. ctual losses were very much more. losses were officially returned at Ministera, Lawyers, Teachers, and others, whose occupation gives but little exercise, alouid use Carter's Little Lisso Pills for topuid liver and billonances. t remain TEN YEARS IN PEN. ned wall. Winnipeg, Dec. 27.-Onigley, guilty of manslaughter at Calg to-day semenced to fen years' ment in the penitentiary ot fall! F. .

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 27.—A special correspon-dent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraph-ing from Sterkstroom, Cape Colony, Thursday, December 21, says: "Strong measures are necessary to check the ag-tile feeling among the Dutch colonists, whose condition is shown in the removal The advent of horse sickness throws San Jacinto, Cal., Dec. 26. I ms tocar-ity is a scene of desolation from the earthquake which centred here on Christ-which may tie the British forces to the BOER OFFICIAL REPORT.

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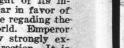
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London, Dec. 27 .- The Daily Chronicle publishes the following from Capetown: "Herr Schleisinger, an agent of the New York Equitable Associated Society, who arrived here from Pretoria, says the Boers possess immense stores of food

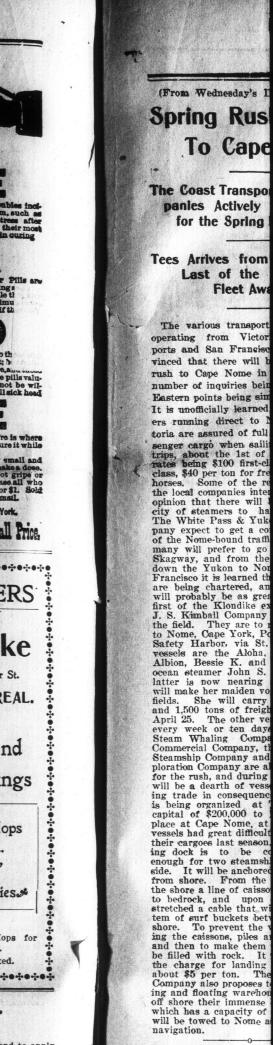
Manitoba Farmer Kills His Young Wife





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EGG ISLAND

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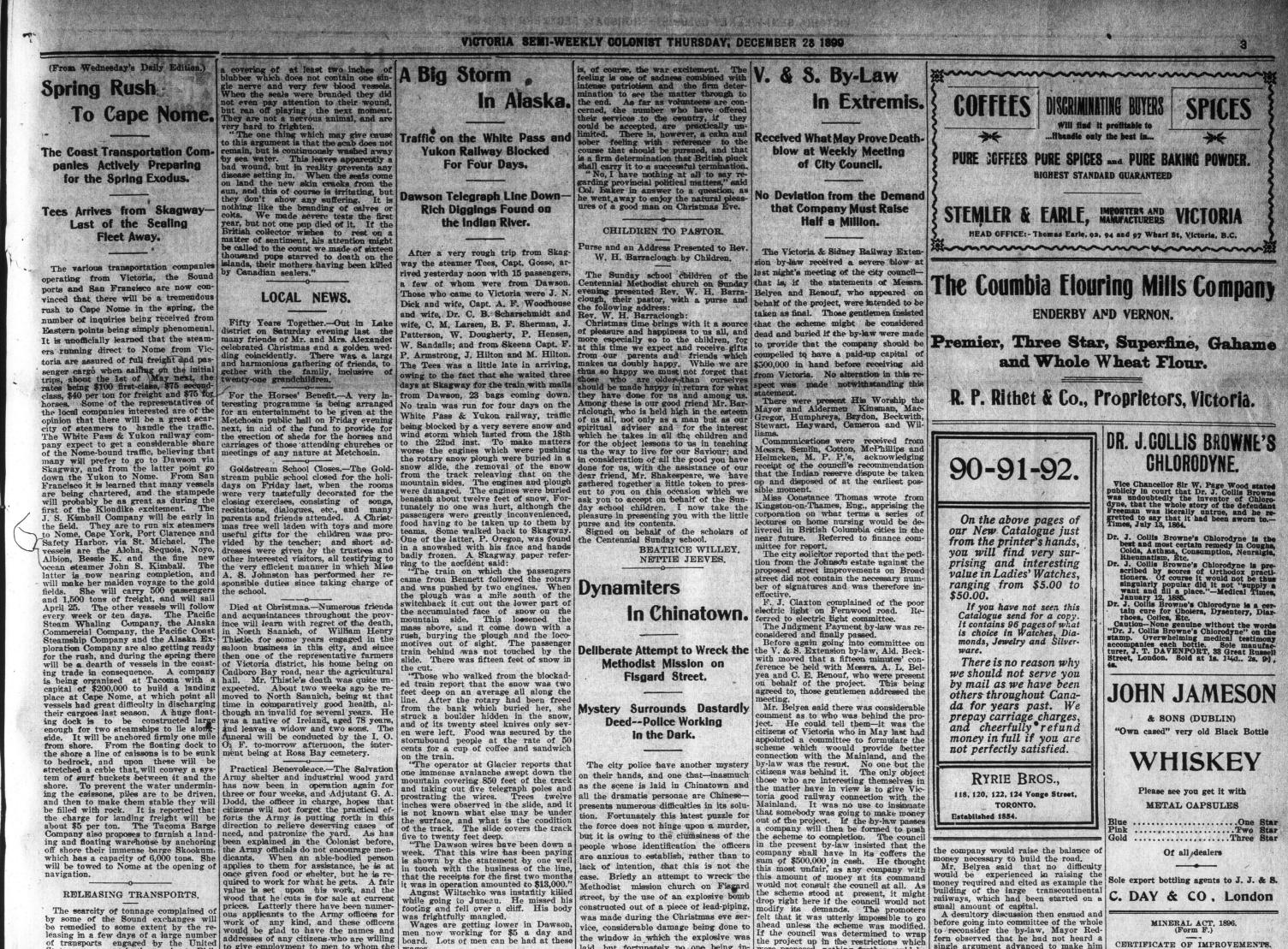
The sealing schoon Annie E. Paint sailed cruise yesterday. The Favorite and Hatzie and away at an early h Ainoka and Beatrice time this week, leavi llah May, Carlotta Turpel the only schoon intend going out this former will clear for of next week: but Turpel may be delaye order to effect necessa

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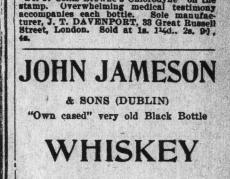
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sion to lease et of land on , for 21 years be remedied to some extent by the re-leasing in a few days of a large number of transports engaged by the United States government in the service to Phil-ippine ports. All the transports under charter are being returned to their own-ers as fast as they arrive at San Fran-cisco from Manila. Possibly a few that have been fitted to carry horses will ng shore line containing 80 cisco from Manila. Possibly a few that have been fitted to carry horses will be retained in the service. The transive assembly lumbia, at its incorporate a tion of comption of com-ss; to organize panies and to in such com-e the business ompanies, and fect arrange-of any com-on similar unor the pur-pledge or s assets for acquire all to act gener-of securities eceive money tees for indiv orations and vileges, fran-rant, purchase rations or gov-bond or other-ntures of any to lend money purchase and invest money loans for inles: to act as nd to acquire or incidental to day of Nov-

the window in which the explosive was laid, but fortunately no one being in-jured. The absence of apparent motive done. None of the other municipalities jured. The absence of apparent motive constitutes one of the inexplicable feat-ures of the strange case. So far as known there has been no friction between the mission Chinese and their fellow countrymen still walking in the paths of heathen darkness. No "tong" war is on in the quarter that either the police or their Chinese friends have heard about, and the only explan-ations that have thus far been suggested in connection with Sunday night's out-rage are based upon the rival theories that the deed was that of a dangerous in the city's interest that it was necessary in the city's interest that the sum which the company should be required to pos-sess—\$500,000—should be insisted upon. The following clause was then consid-orad. <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> ered: "Provided, however, that the corpora-



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the company would raise the balance of Of all dealers

Mr. Belyea said that no difficulty would be experienced in raising the building of the large transcontinental railways, which had been started on a small amount of capital.

small amount of capital. A desultory discussion then ensued and before going into committee of the whole to reconsider the by-law, Mayor Red-

MINERAL ACT, 1896.

COL. BAKER'S RETURN.

SEALS DO NOT SUFFER.
Professor Clark Learnedly Contends That Burning Holes in Their Backs Does Not Cause Any Pain.
Professor George O. Clark, secretary to President Jordan of Stanford Univer-sity, has taken it upon himself to make reply to the charges of barbarous cruelty preferred against the American seal branders by Collector A. R. Milne, C. M. G. of this city.
"It is amusing," said Professor Clark in a published interview, "to notice that when the shoe begins to pinch they im-mediately set up their cry. 'Collector Milne is exactly right in his statements. The branding is done to destrog the skines and harnes the Canadian sealers. There is no suffering whatever. The seal has

fern observed that he had not heard a single argument advanced to make him change his opinion that it was necessary CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE Iron Duke, Count of Monte Christo and Condor Mineral Claims, situate in the West Coust, Vancouver Island, Mining Division of Chayoquot District. Where located-On Monte Cristo Monn-tain, Tranquil Creek, Tofino Inlet.

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## VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1899

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THE WAR.

The story of Mafeking suggests that the much-vaunted courage of the Boers advantages, and is only garrisoned by a

small force. It is open to an assau from more than one direction. Yet for

The Pope proposes that, so far as two months and a half a Boer force. greatly outnumbering the garrison, has been investing it. A story from Boer sources states that when Gen. Cronje was retiring from Mafeking to take command on the Modder River, he said he ness. Of course theoretically the cenhad been fighting "devils not men." The tury will not end until the close of next and been nighting devised to inch. The stary with not che that the close of next enemy thought their position at Belmont exceptionally strong. Prisoners taken at the battle said that they expected to hold it for three months, yet they were driven of Christ, each century might very conout after a sharp action. The Boer veniently be made to end with the 99. fights well from cover, but if he has the It is true that there never was a year courage to resist an assault or to face 0; but then we know that in point of face an equal number of men in the open there never was a year 1; that is there field, he has yet to exhibit it.

ield, he has yet to exhibit it. Very much has been said of the heavy the date A.D. 1. A correspondent asks casualties, but they are not in point very where the new year will begin. This is high, or rather they were not before the also an arbitrary arrangement, but for where the new year will begin. This is two last battles. At the fight at Modder convenience it is understood that the River the killed and wounded only reach time changes at 180 degrees from Green 71/2 per cent. of our force engaged, which wich, Chatham Island in the South Pa is far under the average of the great cific ocean is the first land to see the sur battles of the British army. Thus Tal. rise on a new day. At 8 p.m. Victoria avera had a casualty roll equal to 30 per time it is midnight on Chatham Island cent., Salamanca reached 25, Vimiera, and consequently the new year will begin Vittoria, Waterloo, the Alma, Inkerman there immediately after 8 p.m. of our and all the other great fights had a time.

higher per centage than Modder River.

Will we take possession of Delagoa

Bay? This is a question of great im-At the investigation made by Mr. At the investigation made by Mr. Clute at Rossland some very interesting and important facts were brought out. Mr. Bernard McDonald, general manlaws governing the conduct of neutral ager of the B. A. C.'s properties, was laws governing the conduct of neutral powers for Portugal to permit her terr. into details of cases where, to his own tory to be used for the transportation of knowledge, the passage of the eight-hour men and munitions of war intended for law had driven out Eastern Canadian either of the belligerents. If it is right for the Boers to get in men and arms over Portuguese territory to use against us, it is right for us to send in men and absolutely prevented large sums of arms the same way to use against them. money from being invested here. He We can illustrate the case by supposing gave some statistics showing the investments of his company in this province, that people friendly to the Filipinos which have an important bearing upon should land an armed force at Vancouver to be sent by rail to attack the Puget the subject of mines and miners. We

Sound towns. It is easy to understand give them in detail: Sound towns. It is easy to understand that Great Britain is averse to doing any-thing against Portugal, with whom she has always been on the best of terms, and the seizure of Portuguese East Af-rica would hardly meet with favor from Tootsie and Whoop-Up... 17.944 15 Hoskins 7530 the seizure of Portuguese Tootsie and Whoop-Up... 17.944 15 Hoskins 7530 the seizure of Portuguese Tootsie and Whoop-Up... 17.944 15 Hoskins 7530 the seizure of Portuguese Tootsie and Whoop-Up... 17.944 15 rica would hardly meet with favor from the European powers. It might be pos-sible, however, to take possession tem-porarily of the railway terminus without Improvements ...... Supplies in stock..... giving offence. If it becomes necessary for the success of our plans to sieze this railway, it will doubtless be taken-offence or no offence.

sition. He said it is impossible to de-velop rapidly the mining industry of this province without the aid of miners from the United States. Canada can only supply a very limited number. None of the companies are importing labor. We quote the concluding part of Mr. Kirby's evidence, as reparted by the Rossland We have man into this the theore are importing to Yic cost, at least approximately? ason to expect the Boer position any attack on the Boer position ler to be hasty nake all necessary preparations. The report that fever is pre-among the Boer forces at Modder

nay well be true. The burghers are not ccustomed to the sort of life they must be now living, and their appreciat the much-vaunted courage of the Boers has its limits and that they are very mar-row. This little town has no strategic with them if it once becomes serious.

THE END OF THE CENTURY

MINES AND MINERS.

We have gone into this branch of the Arm above Point Billice bridge, one of Beacon Hill purk, and arental view of the Contract system, the probability of the council that before the dity puts up half a million dollars a like sum shall be secured from some other source or sources. As we said some days are in the labor received for wages amounts to a profit in itself. Few mines can stand much a burden if it is imposed upon them if unable to get relief by the contract system, then and nothing will scare it of fis condition or labor received for the subscale of the contract system, the it to that the control is to be vested and nothing will scare it off so comptly as class legislation or labor received to reacting to the contract system. the it to that the control is to be vested it shall be represented to grant, calling in the labor received to reacting to the contract system. the it to the the control is to be vested if the contract system, the it to the the control is to be vested if the contract system.

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all the men work hard to earn good pay, and there is no loafing about. If the let any contracts.

VICTORIA-CHILLIWACK.

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Residents on the Washington side of

(The interest already on the V. & S. now enrolled is a very formidable con- reason that very little land fit for settle-

Yeomanry ..... 11,700 Colonial forces (about).... 70,000

mach impressed; also through thinks It's a Pleasure... perous appearance. The pictures relating to Victoria give



just ended a victorious campaign and | CLEOPATRA'S EMERALDS was planning to invade China. Count London Equips an Expedition to Search

Colonist yesterday. He was represented and covered the same distance in the mines was forgotter. For years mines of When Cleopatra died the location of the and there is no loafing about. If the haul the baggage and mails. Seven and as having said that Victoria should give same time, their object being to seize and sold, emeralds and other precious stonad been in operation, and yet they destroy a stock of Picer a state of the same time, their object being to seize and had been in operation, and yet they destroy a stock of Picer a state of the same time, their object being to seize and had been in operation, and yet they destroy a stock of Picer a state of the same time, their object being to seize and had been in operation. a more than the average a half hours were consumed in going the man would not be able next thirty miles. At times four horses \$500,000 to the Chilliwack scheme "on destroy a stock of Boer ammunition, and yet they discussed as mysteriously as they had been in operation, and yet they discussed as mysteriously as they had been in operation. next thirty miles. At times four horses and once even six horses could not hand the coach through the mud. These dehe said was that the conditions should side was a wounded horse. be kept from the Roman conquerors at all be such as would not prevent, etc. hazards is a matter that will probably ne

The Boundary Creek Times thinks the defeat of the Semilin government is likely to come at the end of the session, be-come it core members will wither act be known, but the fact remains cause it says members will wish to get surely be some one who is responsible for mines has remained unclaimed. More than the legislation in which they are inter-this project, and it is a remarkable to locate these properties but without sucested passed before a break-up. We do not see why this consideration should in-swer even one of the points that have

aware that the points made by the Col-onist cannot be successfully met, but the don, and be is so confident that he has disextraordinary thing is that the promoters of the project have not thought it worth the Egyptian government by which he while to say anything, although their agrees not only to bear all the scheme has been demonstrated to be his explorations but also to share the profhopelessly bad as a business proposition as it now stands. We hope if the scheme Mr. Streeter, who claims to have made

discovery, is a man of no form of a by-law, all these objectionable little ability. Not only is he a pr figure in the commercial life of London, but he is an explorer and archaeologist of features will be cleared up; for we should greatly dislike to oppose any pro- repute and an author of considerably ject intended to give the island better newn. One of his books,

Sir: With regard to Cape Nome's streeter, the diamond merchant has known of the location of these mines for more than twenty years. Long ago he had read A very rigorous censorship is being exer- dian money. We are without data as but if the by-law ever gets before the If the Canadian Mounted Police and lesson intended to show the Boers the If the Canadian Mounted Police and other police forces are included in the list the available total will be swelled to about 950.000, which can be easily in-creased to a million. All this enormous force is armed, drilled, uniformed and officered. It can all be relied upon either for offence or defence. So after cised, and in addition to this the pressure to the amount of money invested in ratepayers they will think about it very of official and commercial business great- other mining properties, but as these earnestly. Deducting from this capital ly restricts the capacity of the two two concerns represent nearly \$10,000,000 cost of the road the proposed subsidies cables to deal with despatches. It is to probably well within the mark to and we have left \$2,929,000 upon which safe to assume, however, that no very say that the investments in mines in the the road would have to earn a pront. safe to assume, however, that no very say that the investments in mines in the important event has taken place or we Trail district reach at least \$12,000,000. At the meetings held throughout the either for offence or defence. So after England. There ought to be a generous To say that Captain completely by surprise ation but mildly. He their own laws in connict with the hand ing laws of the United States applying to Alaska, I have to state that this is not the case. No miners, or no miner's means, With this idea in view he went to Egypt bent upon finding the mines that had one of the richest been heard from Gen. French's column tributes about 45 per cent. of the Ross- resented that the road would have limit and it was so all we are not so badly off. found voice to express the handsome gift and response. for several days. The last news repre- land pay-roll, his company about 40 per to earn interest on only \$1,209,000. A Judging from present indications, one meeting, can make laws that are in con-effect of the South African war will be a great revival of the martial spirit all over the British Empire. The several that are in configt. sented him as moving slowly towards cent., and other companies 15 per cent. difference of a million and three-quar-AS OTHERS SEE US. ings evidenced by his of Colesburg from Arundel. Except that In addition the War Eagle and Centre ters dollars is, we assume, a matter that Mr. J. W. C. Haldane, C. E., whom Gen. Buller moved his camp a short dis- Star furnish almost the entire supply for is really too absurd to be considered se- many Victorians will remember, has GOLDEN W tance and that the Naval guns had fired the Trail smelter, and hence support the riously. written a book entitled "3.800 Miles Unusual Celebration I governments should encourage this, for there will be no more secure guarantee of With reference to Cape Nome, its his-ic communication with the governme a few shells into the Boer position on town of Trail. The Le Roi in like man- We have daid stress in considering this Across Canada." It is very nicely illusthe Tugela, the operations of the Natal ner keeps up Northport, but as that matter upon the necessity of informing on Christma there will be no more secure gnarantee of peace to the world than for the Empire torians a few words of caution. I should he was successful in finding the mines on the comparison armed to advise no one to so in unless he is able the constitution of his form this that the the ware trated. The publishers are Simpkin. force are being kept secret. It seems town is in the United States we need the ratepapers how it is proposed to get Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., Ltd., to emerge from this campaign armed to advise no one to go in unless he is able the occasion of his first trip, that they were Hill, formerly of Saani to be taken for granted that heavy rem-forcements are being sent forward to Buller, who will now find himself con-being able to take the field again. Gen. Here, and it is surely not unreasonable to take the field again. Gen. Here is an other is the form these takes the field again. Gen. Here is a city as remarkable for the form these takes the field again. Gen. Here is a city as remarkable for the field again. Gen. Here is a city as remarkable for the field again. 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We assume that there have made it a centre of intelligence and couple came to Victoria nations. The Grand Forks Daily Gazette thinks that Mr. J. M. Martin, M. P. P., has as since resided on the Is callers on Monday were: railway terminus north of the Stormberg been dissatisfied with the conditions would be no difficulty in bringing the V. refinement of the most attractive range. It is reached by a branch of the under which they worked a year ago. & S. to the Fountain on the present nature." He tells of our city's great that Mr. J. M. Martin, M. P. P., has as the Misses Tolmie, Po. road from East London. The occupation Surely before a law, that was calculated street level. This would involve a drop wholesale trade and its high favor with good reason to withdraw his support Noah Shakespeare, Ald. ward, Mrs. and Miss Spo man was taken out in from four to seven weeks. This money saved the men of by impressed by the scheme that he prom to have a radical effect upon the profits of 13 feet from the present level of the tourists. Our old friend, Judge ------, from the Semlin government as Mr. J. th to have a radical effect upon the profits of 13 feet from the present level of the around the Boer position at Stormberg Junction if he thinks it advisable to do Mr. and Mrs. Newcom sr., Mr. H. Young, Mr. son, Mr. and Mrs. J. H Junction if he thinks it advisable to do made to ascertain what its effect would line to begin the descent, but what route that the Judge's "excellent lady and of the Grand Forks mining district have A. Booth. Miss M. Est Stuart Yates, Mr. T. W Pierre and daughter, M so. Gen. Methuen reports all quiet at be upon that extremely important indus- would be followed in getting to the their son and daughter, as well as him- been altered without consultation with velopments in connection with the Cape Nome country before going there. From Cape Nome to Cripple river the beach Modder River, and he is said to have his try. Monk, sr., Mr. and M fountain, and what the land damages self, were as admirable specimens of Mr. Martin, who represents the constitu-Cape Nome to Cripple river the beach diggings have been worked well over; from Cripple river to Cape York has been scratched by the prospectors; and from York to Port Clarence has been real from York to Port Clarence has been big Naval guns so posted as to command Mrs. Bamfield, Mr. H. Helmcken, M.P.P., Mi We do not propose to discuss in this will be are both open questions and ex- elegant Victoria society as one could ency in which the district is situated. the whole Boer position. The news that his wounded are rejoining him shows that his lines of communication are and Mr. D. D. McTavis The health of the c by Mr. H. D. Melmcken with the mining industry. All the com- tance is about 2,000 feet, and the drop suburbs, which he greatly admired. He Columbia consists of one man, Mr. F. L. with the mining industry. All the com-petent witnesses examined by Mr. Clute have, so far as we have seen, agreed that it does. The point which we want to make is that legislation, calculated to fully open. them on the event, one It is reported again that the Free bave, so far as we have seen, agreed is a rise of 2 feet 6 inches to the next stocked with lovely and well gardened His Supremacy from a humble reprekind held in this secti It is reported again that the Piter Staters are growing disaffected. There that it does. The point which we want their retirement from Dortrecht is at tributable to a feeling that it does. The point which we want the affecting that it does. The point which we want the make so discourse of the skell of the the set of the skell of the the set of the skell of the the set of the skell of the set of the skell He spoke of the esteem held and hoped that t Staters are growing disaffected. There have, so far as we have seen, agreed is a rise of 2 feet o inches to the next villas," and "the commercial parts of the sentative would be An Unwarrantable spared. The list of presents f Mrs. G. A. McTavish Higgins, gold belt; Mr. Clanton, gold ice cream Spotts, gold mug; Mrs. cream jug; Ald. and Mr. gold flower pot; Mr. an cake plate and cheque; gold tea set; Mr. and speare, gold salid spo Columbia needs at this time is some one inches; then comes a rise to Cormorant scragged," falling upon dresses sewn been doing duty at Pretoria as police-Barnswell, pair gold Booth, pair gold vases; Carter, butter bowl; M in South Africa, and we are inclined to with sufficient courage and patriotism to of 21 feet 3 inches, and then a drop of together with fish-bone needles and do what is right, regardless of conse- 53 feet to the E. & N. depot, and all grass-made twine. To dispel this illu-Bioemfontein are alleged on good authnecessary to travel by came and the stones mined will have to be brought to the Nile by the same means. Up to the present JOE MURPHY. gold brooch: Mrs. M. men. Johannesburg, Pretoria and think there will be little change until saucer; Mr. and Mrs. fruit bowls; Mr. and quences. The time has passed for this through some of the principal streets sion he describes his visit to a tennis Gen. Roberts arrives on the scene, untime this portion of the Arablan desert i demagoguery and personal ambition to of the city and in a distance of less tournament, devoting half a page to a less the Boers precipitate a battle; but ority to be deserted cities. For a hisspoon; Mr. and Mrs. J. stand; Mr. and Mrs. J kerchief and cash; the brooch; Mr. John Tolmi A SQUADRON COMMANDER. practically unexplored, and Mr. Streetel expects to make some important discoveries be allowed to dictate the policy of the than 5,000 feet. Moreover there are at lady, who wore a fiery scarlet hat with torical parallel we must go back to the as no one can foresee when a small affair of outposts may develop into a genprovince. We need a premier, a cabinet Winnipeg, Dec. 27 .- News was receivleast two corners to be turned, which a white dress. As this was on August cities of Greece during the Trojan war. during the next five days.-Exchange least two corners to be turned, which a white dress. As this was on happen will involve the acquiring of property. 4, 1898, the lady readens of the Colonist If any of the narrow streets east of the Link which is a talerably good age for a man who Mounted Rifles for Africa. The appoint Dr. and Mrs. S. F. To frame; Mr. Herbert Carte Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Heln Mr. J. T. Pierre, chequ (Saanich), cheque: Mr. cheque; Mr. T. Alexander Mrs. D. R. Ker, pincushi mincushion: Mr. and Mr. and a legislature that will grapple with eral engagement, it is always possible If any of the narrow streets east of Bougas are utilized, the variations in ievel will not be so great, but the streets will be rendered practically useless for residential purposes and there will still be the corners to turn. In view of these the question without any regard to polithat sharp fighting may occur at any BORN. tical consequences, and give the provtime. The New York Herald's story TOLSON-At Fozeley, England, Dece 22nd, 1899, the wife of the late C Tolson, of a son. ince a law that will meet the reasonable that there was considerable discussion in wishes of both miners and mine-owners. the war office prior to the acceptance by Gen. Roberts of full command, must be We are confident that this can be done. DIED pincushion; Mr. and Mr Mr. and Mrs. G. W. And accepted with allowance, although it is Mr. McDonald in his testimony depri-CRAIGIE-At the residence of bis mother (Mrs. John L. Blackmore), No. 239 Yates street, on the 22nd Instant, William John youngest son of the late Thomas Craigfe, aged 19 years and 7 months, highly probable that Roberts has insisted cated any attempt to prefer skilled min-The evening was sp away, is it not absolutely essential that, future of Victoria commercially and as before the city talks about granting any a residential city. He happened to be 67 when he died, in command of the that he shall not be hampered by in- ers from coming into this province, for supper in singing and o party not ending up till that he shall not be hampered by in-structions from home. It is absurd to attempt to direct from London a cam-paign catried on in South Africa. Ladysmith being all well, there is no ESLOUIS-In this city on the 22nd inst., Felix Leslouis, a native of Dieppe, De-partment de la Seine Infre, France, aged 84 years. Immense increase in & L. Menthol Plaster that it is useful for a lumbago and lame back etc. Davis & Lawrence TOLSON-At Fozeley, England, De 20th, 1899, Charles William Tol-his 32nd year.

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> Marvel Conn Acc in Her House Stree

Falling Down Believed to H ed Her §

A woman known as whose correct name Mrs. C. L. Johnson, .62 Broad street, last e of injuries received : stairs. Early Tuesda mates of the house crash, and going into the unfortunate wom of the stairs, and th lamp, which she had h tered about the floor. scious, and could con explanation of how the A physician was im and after he had mad of the wounds ordered tal. This her friends they obtained her con regained consciousness She was conscious all all she could remember tripped and fallen. that she had an apople falling she fractured Sergeant Redgrave remains last evening to the morgue, notif The coroner decided

tem examination and an inquest in th The woman had I Victoria but a short about a month ago house in which she tives in Northport, V

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Officers of the Charm Rudlin With a Can

It s not often that ger of the steamer Charm to be taken by surprise. on Sunday last, when a the run over to Vanc waited upon him, and respect and affection for presented him with a h ed ebony cane, bearing ficient inscription: "Car cers of the Charmer. handsome gift was a following cordially word 'We, the undersign S.S. Charmer beg you small token of our est the spirit of good will ing between captain an tinue unbroken. In pu this cane it is our wish companion for many yea ing you a Merry Christ Year, we remain. (Sd.) Thos. McLaughli Heritage, Chief Enginee lee, Second Engineer; Engineer; J. D. Griffin Leod. Mate: A. S. N H. Moxon, Steward; T. Clerk; W. Ahern, Bagga

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s talked of as involving only a million 

Mr. Edmund H. Kirby, manager of tions to involve more than twice that The absence of exciting news from the the War Eagle Consolidated and Centre amount. Mr. Belyea may, at the next seat of war does not prove that very im- Star companies, said their investment meeting of the city council, brush this portant work is not in progress there. amounts to \$3.500,000, chiefly of Cana- aside as not worthy of consideration,

We do not understand what Mr. Rel- writer of the letter speaks of broken yea had in mind when he spoke at the corduroy, which made it necessary for city council of \$4,000,000 being asked the passengers to get out and shove the for a project that would only cost \$1.- coach. This condition of the road is due 500,000, mentioning this as though it to the parsimonious policy of the Semlin. were a proposition advanced by the Col- government, which is cutting down nec-

onist. We have no recollection of hav- essary outlays in orders to make the

ness of which cannot be called in ques-

tion: Capital stock of company....\$2,000,000

Thus it appears that this project, which

ing mentioned \$4,000,000 in connection most favorable showing possible on pawith the Victoria-Chilliwack project. per when the house meets. The result But Mr. Belyea's observation makes it will be that the successors of these genworth while to see just what foundation tlemen will have to spend twice as much

Improvements39,68248Supplies in stock32,00000Administration106,18625

bonds is due by the road to the city and cern. It is made up as follows:

there is for calling this a \$1,500,000 pro- money restoring the roads as would have ject. Here are some figures the correct- kept them in good condition.

THE BRITISH ARMY.

the Straits of Juan de Fuca are daily

expecting the promulgation of an order The habit is to represent the British by the United States government setting

But when the figures are totalled it will strait. This is expected to be followed

ment remains in the hands of the government of that country.

It is proposed to erect a memorial in

the parish church of Botusfleming, and the town of Saltash, in Cornwall, in memory of that gallant soldier, General Sir William Penn Symons, who fell at the battle of Talana Hill, while leading.

his troops forward in a great object

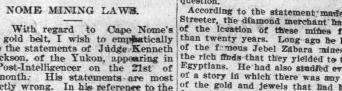
The railways in Cape Colony are

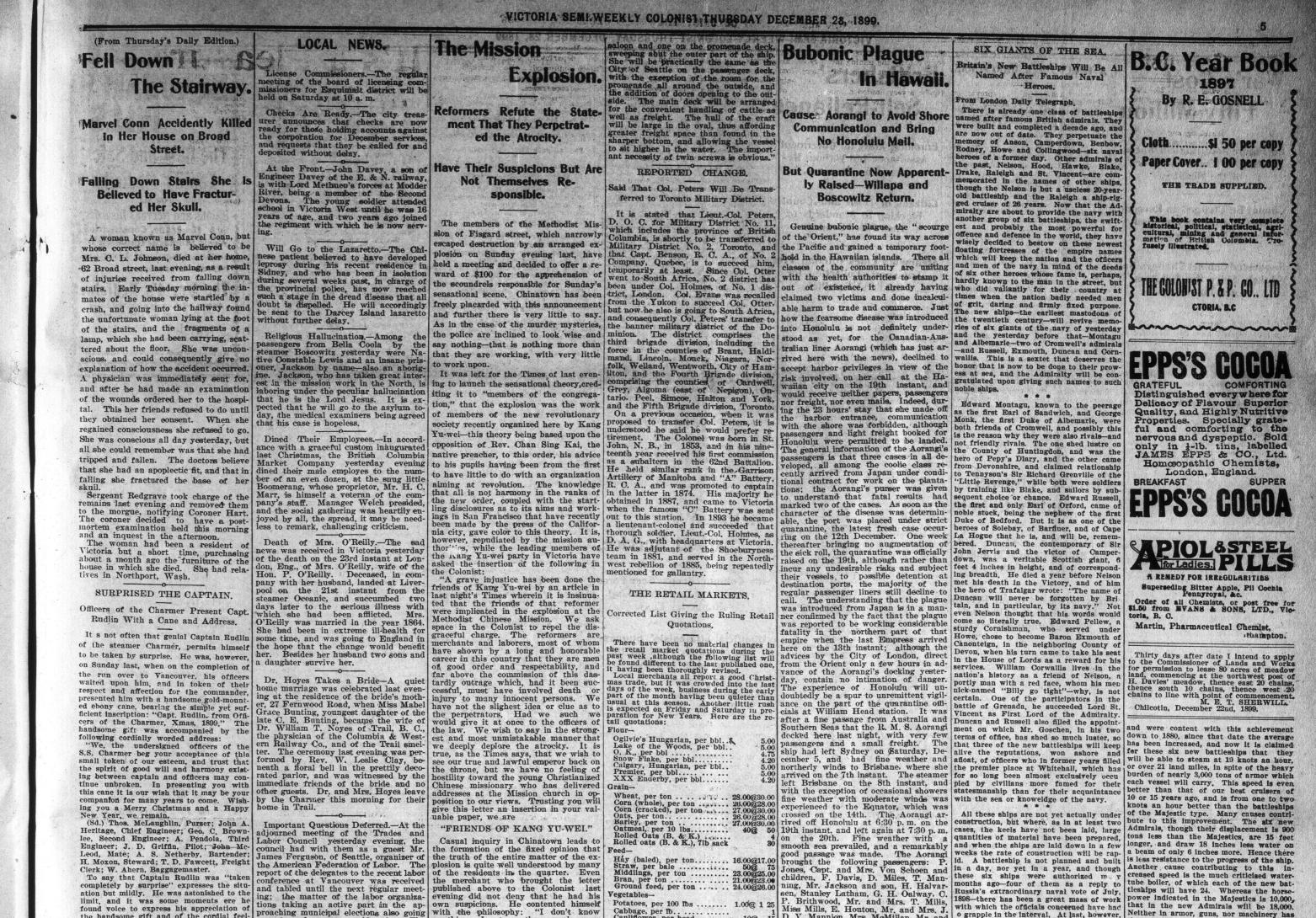
is to be submitted to the people in the his remarkable

Precious Stones and Gems," is already in its sixth edition connection with the mainland and is regarded as one of the few standard

works in this field of knowledge. Under Letters to the Editor. these circumstances it is not strange that commercial London should have been willing to accept his remarkable story without

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A CONTRACTOR

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	the handsome gift and of the cordial feel-	proaching municipal elections also going	with the philosophy: "I don't know	Cauliflower, per head	100 1	D. V. Mannion, Mrs. McMillan, Mr. and		Neither in armor, guns, nor machinery has
	ings evidenced by his officers.	over for subsequent consideration. The committee on manual training in schools	day and go to sloop and make a little	Lettuce. 4 heads for	2	5 Mrs. Munroe, and Mrs. and Miss Dels-	it is possible to state that the whole sextet	there been any attempt to economise, but
		had their report referred back to them.		Carrots, per ID		2 worth.	will be in hand before New Year at the fol- lowing yards, the figures in parenthesis in-	there is apparently to be less bunker room
	GOLDEN WEDDING.	pending a receipt of information from		Turnips, per ib Celery, per bunch	1		dicating the periods in which the respective	will be carried by the new hattlashing will
	GOLDEN WEDDING.	Professor Robertson; and it was ar-		Fish-	37 1-	TWENTIETH CENTURY, A. D.	admirals who are commemorated lived:	be 900 tons, or less, while at a pinch more
All and a second	Unusual Celebration Held at Lake Hill	ranged to take up each of these several	<u>o</u>	Salmon (smoked) per fb	32.1			than twice as much could be stowed away.
	on Christmas Day.	important matters at a meeting to be	NODTHEDN ADDIVATO	Salmon (spring), per Ib Salmon (steelheads) per Ib	î	A Socratic Dialogue on the Beginning	Albemarle (1608-1670) Chatham Dockyard.	This is a smaller provision for coal than
	on onistinas Day.	heid next Wednesday night, when the	NORTHERN ARRIVALS.	Salmon (steelheads) per 1b		61	Montagu (1625-1672) Devonnert Docky'd	in any existing British battleship.
State of the second	Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander, of Lake	election of officers will also be con-	Willapa and Boscowitz Come in From	Oysters, (Olympian), per pt Oysters (Eastern), per doz	4		Russell (1653-1727)Jarrow-on-Tyne.	<u> </u>
	Hill, formerly of Saanich, who celebrated	l quelea.	British Columbia Coast Ports.	Cod, per lb. Halibut (frozen), per lb	10-13-1-1 I	8 To the Editor of the Colonist:	Duncan (1731-1804)Blackwall.	TO OFFSET BRITAIN'S GIBRAL-
E .	their golden wedding on Christmas Day,		Diffish Columbia Coast Ports.	Halibut (frozen), per Ib	And Post of	6 Q. Anno Domini! What does it mean?	Cornwallis (1744-1819)Blackwall Exmouth (1757-1832Birkenhead.	TAR.
			After a rather rough trip from North-	Herring, per ID Smelts, per ID	Distant.	8 A. The year of the Lord that is the		and the second
	were married in Springfield, Illinois, on		ern British Columbia ports, the C. P.	Smelts, per ID Flounders, per ID	and the second	6 number of years since our Lord was	Each of these battleships will have a	In a series of articles now running in Le
	December 25, 1849. Twelve children were	IT O C The have been here to an in	N. Co.'s steamer Willana reached port	Urabs, 3 for	2	of born into this world	displacement of 14,000 tons, being 1000	
	born to them, of whom seven are still liv-	Temperance hall. Next Monday will be	early yesterday, with fair freight and	Farm Produce-	Sec. Sec.	Q. What is that number of years, as		
All and a second	ing, and besides they have 21 grandchildren. With the exception of one daughter all	no exception to the mile The hall ill	passenger lists. Those coming down by	Eggs (Manitoba), per dozen	- 2	5 usually reckoned?		French warships through a military ship
Radial Constant	were present at the celebration, for which	be open at 1 o'clock, and Perseverance	the Willapa were G. Cunningham, J.	Eros, (Island, fresh), per doz Butter (Delta creamery)	4		ally Duiwark. They will not be as small as	Dieted fram the Atlantic to it and
	their home was prettily decorated. The	Louge will be at nome to receive callers	Mahood, H. Kirby, R. Draney and W. McKay. The northern ports have been	Best dairy Butter (Cowichan creamery).	2			
	couple came to Victoria in 1858 and have	until 5 o clock in the evening. Refresh-	visited by severe storms recently, some	Butter (Cowichan creamery). Cheese (Canadian)	_ 3(			
States of the second	since resided on the Island. Among the	ments will be served during that time, and in the evening—as has been the cus-	of the canneries suffering. Several small	Lard, per lb.	121/0 1	A. 1899 years, 11 months 28 days	neavily armored, beller guinnen, and or	Dart of the way through the
	callers on Monday were: Mr. John Tolmie,		houses were torn from their foundations			Q. Then since last January 1 we have		
	the Misses Tolmie, Postmaster and Mrs.		and blown into the bay at the Good Hope		-		fence and defence, and the progress of ma-	minal near Perpignan, running wholly
	Noah Shakespeare, Ald. and Mrs. Hay- ward, Mrs. and Miss Spotts, Mr. P. Spotts,		cannery, River's Inlet and Namu and		16@ 1		The engineering. The principal dimensions	IIIITADIV defended by noting
State of the second	Mr. and Mrs. Newcombe, Mr. F. Spotts,		Wadham's canneries were also dam-	Bacon (American), per ID	18@ 20	A. Certainly!	will be: Length between perpendiculars	De Noussane writes in the other
	sr., Mr. H. Young, Mr. and Mrs. J. Simp-	lodge desires it to be understood that	aged by the storm. The Willapa re- ports that when the steamer passed Egg	Bacon (Canadian), per lb Bacon (rolled), per lb	14@ 1	6 the twelve months will be completed	Will be: Length between perpendiculars 405 feet (being 5 feet in excess of any pre- vious battleship): beam 75 feet 6 inches:	battleship, one of the fleet taking the Pros-
and a	son, Mr. and Mrs. J. Barneswell, Mrs. L.	everyone will be made welcome at this	Tulond lighthomas the langes have	Bacon (long clear), per lb	12@ 10 124	6 which added to 1899 will make 1000	vious battleship); beam, 75 feet 6 inches;	ident of the Republic, the Czar of Russia
	A. Booth, Miss M. Estes, Mr. and Mrs. J.	reception, especially those who have no	ing, so it is unlikely that any serious	Shoulders, per lb.		4 completed?		
	Stuart Yates, Mr. T. W. Pierre, Mr. J. T.	homes in the city, or who may be so- journing here for a brief period. Invi-	mishap to the lighthouse or keeper has	Beef, per ID	80 1	A. Verily!	and have the stand and the renerative, and I	on the otheral voyage to inaugurate the
	Pierre and daughter, Mr. H. King, Mrs. Monk, sr., Mr. and Mrs. Monk, Mr. and		occurred. Consignees by the Willapa	Veal, per Ib.,	12@ 1	Q. Monday, January 1, will then be the	each will be a solid steel ram, weighing	patriotic enthusias disclose the demonstrations of
	Monk, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Monk, Mr. and Mrs. Bamfield, Mr. H. Carter, Mr. H. D.	throughout the city, and it is hoped and	were R. P. Rithet & Co., Albion Iron	Pork, per lb.	12@ 18 10@ 18			
	Helmcken, M.P.P., Miss Maude Goodwin,		Works, D. Spencer, B. C. Cannery Co.,	Game-		on to make the year 1901.	consist of a belt of armor 290 feet long,	Gascony, the naval dock yards and argon
ARGEN T	and Mr. D. D. McTavish.	selves of the proferred hospitality. For	Miss Floyd, P. T. Johnson and Findlay, Durham & Brodie. Among the freight	Grouse, per brace Ducks (mallards) ,per brace	1.00@ 1.1	the old century: ring in the new" I an	consisting of 7 inches of Harveyized steel,	Gascony, the naval dock yards, and arsen- als at the "port" of Agen, midway between
	. The health of the couple was proposed		was a quantity of salt salmon from Riv-	Ducks (manarus), per brace.	4	des Deo!!	at the centre where the vital parts of the	ocean and great sea.
	by Mr. H. D. Melincken, who congratulated	stricted, various amusements will be pro-		Ducks (widgeon), per brace Ducks (teal), per brace	2	5 NoteIt is our English custom not to	ship need protection, and gradually taper- ing off towards the bows to 3 inches in	Near Agen locomotives are attached to
C. Ben Martin	them on the event, one of the few of the kind held in this section of the country.		The Boscowitz arrived yesterday af-	Ducks (brant), per brace	1.00	reckon a year until it is completed. Thus	thickness. This is a great improvement on	the battleships and the Garonne is crossed on a bridge canal. The writer pictures the
	He spoke of the esteens in which they were		ternoon from Naas and way ports with	Rabbits (Island), each Fruit—	Ģ	a child of 10 is not said to be 10 years old until the 10 years are completed	the Majestic, whose belt is only 220 feet	contrast between the sleepy Agen of slatt
	held and hoped that they would long be		a fair number of passengers and a quan-			old until the 10 years are completed.	long, and though thicker, has less power of	years back with the hustling commercial
	spared.	Sooke, was the scene of a very pretty	tity of freight, among which was a thou- sand cases of salmon from the Browns-	Lemons (California), per doz.	2			
all a la contra de	The list of presents follows:	Christmas gathering a few evenings ago,	ville cannery. The passengers were D.		2			
	Mrs. G. A. McTavish and Mrs. W. R.	. the seating capacity of the sacred edifice	T Dans W D Many T V Cashan	Apples, per lb Pears, 3 lbs. for	50 0		ships will have armored deck, bulkhead, barbettes, and casemates, as in all modern	
	Higgins, gold belt; Mr. and Mrs. R. T.	being taxed to its utmost, and the inte-	A Grasland F Grasland L A Nostvi	Oranges (Japanese), per box.	5	TO TREAT INEBRIATE POOR.	ships of this type.	"On to Toulouse-Toulouse, which will be
		rior being very charmingly decorated in	A. E. Napp, J. Kelly and E. McPher-	Oranges (navals), per doz Nuts (all kinds), per ID	4	Optania Commente La La D		the maritime fortress of France" is his
	cream ing. Ald and Mrs. Chas. Sports, gold	honor of the festival occasion. Refresh- ments were served by the ladies of the	son, mostly returning maners from morth-		2	Ontario Government Asked to Bonus a	The armament of the new vessels will	programme for the next day and the most
	gold flower not: Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb.	, district at 8 o'clock, after which hour a	ern points.	Poultry- Dressed chicken, per pair	1 50 1 7	Scheme for Their Cure.	excel anything yet attempted in the British	Chapter of his romanic and the successfier
	cake plate and cheque; Mr. T. W. Pierre,	, good programme was presented by the		Ducks (Island), per pair	1.80@ 2.0			
	gold tea set; Mr. and Mrs. Noah Shake-	best district talent, assisted by Mr. and	AN ALASKAN FLYER.	Ducks (Island), per pair Ducks (Eastern) per pair	1.00@ 1.5	cal Association, composed of Dr Gilbert	the main armament compared with other recent battleships, but because the guns of	age of the neet into the Gulf of Lyons and
		Mrs. Hayward, of Metchosin. Mrs.	An Eighteen-Knot Boat Being Built on	Turkeys (Island). per ID Turkeys (Eastern), per ID	150 2			
	Barnswell, pair gold mugs; Mrs. L. A.	. Hayward's rendition of "Loch Lomond" and "Rothesay Bay" were particularly	Atlantic Coast for Seattleites.	Geese, per ID	20	Toronto, and Dr. Coventry, or windsor.	proved Each modern bettleyhin carries	De Nonseana digonagoa the beatthe
Sector States	Carter butter bowl. Mr T Spotts, Sr.	enjoyed; while Mrs. Murray sang "Why	Atlance Coast for Seattlenes.		a series and	recently walled upon the Uniaria gav-	four 12-inch gung breech-loaders mounted	ments brought formand at the incent
and the second	gold brooch: Mrs. M. Estes, gold cup and	Do Summer Roses Fade" in an excen-	Frank E. Burns, who is interested in	Man Mater in December At	the home			
p and a second	Saucor. We and Mrs Stuart Vates gold	tionally plagging mannon My Oldon	the Alaska Steamship Company and has	May Males in December. Al	Couves	ing the pauper inebriates of the province similar to that which has been advocated	new Adminute will be of similar callbre	with the triumphs of engineering, military
	fruit howle. Mr and Mrs Debain, gold	I show of Wast Sooks worood the metri	hoon for a roor or two on the Villon in-		tty home	by the Prisoners' Aid Association. They	but of an improved type These new guns	in 1912 have confounded the short distant
A for the second second	Spoon: Mr and Mrs J Simpson, Vases and	I atie anthusiasm of all present with "The	targeted in neveration was interviewed		evening	propose that inebriate wards be set aside	are marvelous weapons.	adversaries of the canal. His canal has
	stand; Mr. and Mrs. H. King, sik hand-	Old Brigade;" while Mr. Bone contrib- uted several comic songs, accompanying	by the Daily Alaskan and is quoted as	Right Rev. Bishon Undge n	niting in	1 in the general hospitals throughout the	By means of improved mechanism the de-	made the invesion of Dritein Mensler
and the second	brooch: Mr John Tolmie gold cuff buttons:	himself on the concertine "The Cater	"The firer which we are to add to the	matrimony Mr. william H. M.	. may, or	province, at which the poor will be treat-	structive power of these weapons-the 12-	dream, a military problem solved.
State of the second	Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Tolmie, gold picture	himself on the concertina, "The Gates of the West" and "Afterwards" were view by Mr. D. A. Fraser who also pro-	Skagwya-Sound run, is being built on	Wellington, and Miss Mar	ia Jane	ed for drunkenness tree of charge. The	inch gun carrying an 850 pound projectile,	0
State of the second	frame: Mr. Herbort Carter cup and saucer	i givon by Mr D A Frager who also pro	the Atlantic Coast under the direction of	Couves. The bildesmalus	were inc	should be treatment, they suggested,	has been increased in one case by nearly	VANCOUVER NEWS.
and the second second	Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, gold spoons;	sided at the organ. In addition to the	Walter Oakes, president, and George	the groom was supported by M	r. George			Vancouver, Dec. 26 Dr. R. R. Rob-
	Mr. J. T. Plerre, cheque; Mr. H. Young	musical numbers, "The Roman Soldier"	Lent, another member of the company,	M. Richards of Wellington.	the bride	It is estimated that it will take a grant of \$10,000 to start the scheme and keep	60 per cent. The new 12-inch gun is now	inson of Steveston and ut one time on
	cheque: Mr. T Alexander aboque: Mr and	was recited by Mr. Forsyth, and Mr.	and formerly chief engineer of the	being given away by her u	ncle, Mr.	of \$10,000 to start the scheme and keep	on its trial, but a successful issue to the	officer of the 16th Battalion Picton
	Mrs. D. R. Ker, pincushion: Mrs. A. Scott.	laguage ware given by the school shill	triple expansion craft She will have	George J. Jones. Mr. and Mrs.	. May left	t it running for the first year. Of this,	tests is not doubted. It is an established	Ont., has secured a position as surgeon
S. S	pincushion; Mr. and Mrs. Bamfield, cash;	Hayward favored with a reading. Dia- logues were given by the school chil- dren in a manner winning the hearty ap- probation of the audience, and at the close of the entertainment Santa Claus	accommodation for 250 passengers and	by the Charmer this morning	for Van-	outlay The other \$5,000 mill be	that is can throw an \$50 pound projectile	with the second Canadian contingent,
	Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Anderson, cash.	probation of the audience, and at the	800 tons of freight, and will enter the	couver, where the first days of t	the noney.	quired for superintendence There are	from Dover to Calais: while the 6-inch	and is now hurrying to Toronto.
ANTER STORE	supper in singing and dancing, the merry	made his appearance and distributed	comers. The fleetest craft on the run	mail all a serie a serie a state and	1 Annest	province, but it is proposed to treat only	other words, hurtle a 100-pound projectile through the air from London to a mile or so	indignant denials in the local proce
	party not ending up till early hours in the morning.	presents from the laden Christmas tree.	to-day makes 14 knots. Our craft will	Prompt relief in sick headache, nausea, constipation, pain in the		300 or 400 during the first year.	through the air from London to a mile or so	
		The patron saint of childhood was es-	make 18 knots. She is being constructed			Premier Ross expressed himself as for	over Kingston.	Years Dook-keeper at the Moodrella
States -	Immenes Increases in the	pecially generous, the "grown-ups" as	with an eye to naving her especially	Pills. One a dose. Small pri	ice. Small	volable to the scheme outlined by the	The tendency in the world's newles is to	mill, died on Sunday, from the effects
	& L. Menthol Plaster evidences the	pecially generous, the "grown-ups" as well as the young folks, coming in for a share of his treasure trove, and the	The saloon will speen from store to	dose. Small pill.	and the second second	medical men, and promised to have it brought before the house at the next ses-	attach a new importance to speed in battle	of a cold contracted recently while at-
1	that it is useful for all rheumatic pains,	hanny gathering was finally brought to	stern and be surrounded by the cabins.	instances 0		sion. It was the hest scheme for the	ships. It is not surprising, therefore, to	and four children. He leaves a widow
	etc. Davis & Lawrence Co. Ltd	happy gathering was finally brought to a close with the hearty singing of the national anthem.	which will be so arranged that one door	A. H. Macneill, barrister, of	Rossland	purpose, he stated, that had ever been	and that, whereas we started with battle-	British Columbia on H Mr. King came to
C. Ball	Tactorers.	national anthem.	will open from each room into the	is at the Driard.	er a bar tar	brought before the house at the next ses- sion. It was the best scheme for the purpose, he stated, that had ever been.	snips with a speed of only 14 or 14% knots,	in 1877.
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ar's Cost	Onecolog Former Neve It Understand	Britishers'	BRITISH GENERALS. To the Editor of the Colonist. Sir: I was much pleased to read Fair- play's letter in your paper this morning. I	SCAMP OF THE FAMILY. The scamp of the family has gone to the front, Gallant and fresh and cay:	what work means. In a minute the scrap- heaps had flown together into little guns, hugging the stones with their low bellies jumping at the enemy as the men lay on to the ropes. The detachments all cuddled	DEECHAM'O
Fifty Million		Self-Reliance	others do also. I am an old woman now, and can remember the first affair of the Khyher Pass, and also when the British	He was always a sorrow to us, you know As long as he hung round here; But we buried the past when it came to the	munition twenty paces in rear; the mules by now were snug under cover. "Two thousand," sang out the major. The No 1 of each gun held on coverties.	PILIS
Figure Politicians in Specu- ating on Financial Policy of the Ministry.	office has received a cablegram from Gen Forestier-Walker, dated at Capetown yesterday, saying: "Have no further news of general	Assistance but Without De- mand on Treasury.	the generals were incompetent. It has often happened that they have not been successful at first, and very often have not known when they were beaten, and have	last, And we gave him a fareweil cheer. The father, he stopped in the busy street "A namer output hor" he midd	cross, as if he were going through a reli- gious rite, altered the elevation delicately, then fiung up his hand and head stiffly, like a dog pointing. "No. 4"-and No. 4 gun hurled out fire and firmy make the	The Best and Safest
anot Be Charged to Revenue and Borrowing Preferred to New Taxes.	situation. It may be almost safely pre- dicted that nothing will occur to-day. A truce, either formal or informal, is be ing kept for the observance of Christmas by the opposing forces." CONNAUGHT DISAPPOINTED.	Citizens of Town and Country Flocking to Standards of Their Titled Leaders	come out conquerors after all. I well remem- ber the Crimean war, also the dreadful In- dian Mutiny; but British generalship, in- domitable courage and perseverance gained victories there, always after, great loss of life. I can remember also when, on January 12, 1879, the terrible affair of isandhiwana occurred, when the Zulus simply wiped	And he eagerly scanned the crowded sheet Till he came to the list of the dead. Then a sob rose up to the quivering lips: "O, God, if it be Thy will"; And the passers-by all wondered why He stood so long and still.	fury, half anxious to get a better wiew of what it had done. It was a little over. "Nineteen hundred," cried the major. Same ritual, only a little short. "Nineteen fifty" and it was just right. Therewith field and mountain sume sume and be need to be	Family Medicine POR ALL Bilious and Nervous Disorders
gested Cabinet Changes Not Ikely Since the Agitators Lack Following.	Was Accepted by General Roberts as	Steamship Lines Offering Free Transport—Collection for Soldiers' Families.	out a column of about 1,000 men. On March 1 of that year Tenniel published a cartoou in Punch-John Bull learning a lesson taught him by a kaffir-"Despise not your enemy." And whatever lesson may be taught by this war will be learned, one of them is, I think, to so act that the col-	Now the mother sits in her room alone: (She is failing fast, they say); She would give her life if she could atone To the boy they sent away; The boy who died in the black, black night And who proved in the bloody test Of the shricking shell, and the battle-hell That the worst is often the best.	iv, though roughly, sowed the whole of Matawanas with bullets. It was almost magical the way the Boer fire dropped. The guns came into action about a quarter past nine, and for an hour you would have hardly have known they were there.	Sick Headache, Constipation, Weak Stomach, Impaired Di- gestion, Disordered Liver and Female Ailments.
ssociated Press. W YORK, Dec. 24Touching on political side of the South African	go to the front, but the government de- clined to give its assent. Then waving considerations of rank, he offered his services to Lord Roberts in any capacity as a staff officer. Lord Roberts con- sented, but the government again de-	By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 24.—The London cor-	onles of Natal and the Cape shall never undergo the same experience again. If the blame is to be placed on the right shoul- ders it should be on the Gladstone govern- ment, who after Majuba Hill concluded an agreement with the Boers which every-	There's none to sneer at the skapegrace now; He has wiped out every shame;	there came a round of shrapnet to drive them in earth again. Presently the bill- side turned pale blue-blue with the smoke of burning route.	Annual Sale Enceeds 6,000,000 Boxes. 25 Cents at all Druggists.
the London correspondent of the nne says: is not likely that there will be any net changes, since Mr. Alfred	Clined. THE SOLUTION OF WAR. New York, Dec. 24.—Rev. Dr. Mendes	length regarding the manner in which the people of Great Britain take a crisis, and how they have set to work to straighten matters out. He says:	one who knew anything about them knew perfectly well would not be kept. 'The gen- erals were then indignant at not being al- lowed to settle the affair as they could have done then, and all this sacrifice of precious lives would have been spared. One thing	And the moral is quickly seen-	the blue came a patch of black, and spread and spread until the huge expanse was all black, pocked with the khaki-colored bould- ers and bordered with the blue of the ever- extending fire. God help any wounded enemy who lay there!	any Proprietary Medicine in the world, and
sworth's claims to political dicta- b, by virtue of having a string of ble newspapers under his personal l, are not recognized.	at the Spanish and Portuguese synagogue yesterday preached on "The Solution of War; what the defeat of England would mean for Anglo-American civilization and interests." Dr Mandes advanced	"England takes her crisis in her own peculiar way. In France, Russia, Ger- many, or any other great European country, it would presumably be to the	has been demonstrated—the shundant lov.	R. S. Cowichan, B. C., 21st. December, 1899. BATTLE OF RIETFONTEIN.	Crushed into the face of the earth by the guns, the enemy tried to work round our left from Tinta Inyoni. They tried first at about a quarter past ten, but the Natal Horse met them. We heard the ratile of their rifles; we head the rangement of the	"quick" as heretof
s millionaire newspaper owner, as a clerk with a modest salary Sir George Newnes only a few go, is Lord Rosebery's friend and to be a political Warwick for	court of arbitration which he said would lead continually to the Bible as a "so- lution of war."	escape from the threatened national dis- aster. In England today the English- man thinks of his government only to criticise it, and with heartfelt expletives	London, Dec. 25.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Chieveley telegraphing on Monday, December 18, and confirm- ing intelligence already cabled says:	Account of the Artillery Duel Written by the London Mail Correspondent. Ladysmith, Oct. 26The busines of the last few days has been to secure the re-	their Maxim knocking at the door, and the Boer fire stilled again. The Boer gun had had another try at the volunteers be- fore, but a round or two of shrapnel sent it to know a stranger of the stranger of t	liveen each "rush" ti lies flat on the earth and fires "long range" volleys. The artillery is, of course, at the same time, firing diagon- ally over their heads from either arth
rties, with a large incidental in- in the circulation of the Daily ut he lacks sagacity and sobriety ment. Certainly the Tories are prepared for the displacement of hael Hicks-Beach by Mr. Cham-	0	denounces its military methods of tran- sport, its artillery of too short range, its failure to provide the regular mounted troops most needed for scouting, and so on. "Ent having done his swearing the	"At dawn to-day the column struck camp and formed a new one three miles to the southward owing to the scarcity of water."	treat of the column from Dundee. On Mon day, October 23, the whisper began to fly round Ladysmith that Col Vuls's same bea	pose that the Boers were losing a good deal. But at a quarter past eleven the Gloucesters pushed a little too far beyond the bulk and	intervals, just to keep themselves from growing rusty. Meanwhile, the defenders—in this case
as the Liberals are for Lord y's return to leadership. fichael Hicks-Beach will find it cult to finance a big war than one, since he will be forced to	All Males Within Twelve Miles of British Camps Required	Englishman turns away from his govern- ment to himself and his sons, and there springs spontaenously from every town and countryside a new citizen army, to be dressed for most part in homespun	Methuen's Good Service.	to join us. On Tuesday it became certainty At four in the dim morning guns began to roll and rathe through the mud-greased streets of Ladysmith. By six the whole northern road was immed they to the	Suddenly there shot into them a cross-fire at a few hundred yards. Down went the colonel dead; down went fifty men. For a second a few of the rawer hands in the regiment waverd.	vantage of knowing the exact range- having previously determined it at lei- sure by means of the instrument known as the stadiometer-and many a brave "Tommy" throws up his arms and depen
on a large scale and increase the debt. The military operations in Africa will require not ten but fif- on sterling. It is clearly imprac- for the Chancellor of the Ex-	to Assemble.	and qualified alone by good health and a desire to serve. The Lord Mayor began a few days ago to form a corps called the Lord Mayor's Own. He wanted only 1,000 from the city of London, but 1,400	His Column Keeps Boer Force	bearer company, field hospital, ammunition column, supply column-all the stig, un- wieldly, crawling tail of an army. Indians tottered and staggered under green-curtain- ed doolles: Kaffir boys guided super-	to their position under cover; the officers brought the flurried men up to the bit again.	some gallant young subaltern chokes and falls in the midst of a half-uttered order, and is carried protesting to the rear. But for these things however
y them against revenues for two years, and carrying a large float. t. He is not likely to increase culties of the ministry by poising	Order for Arrest of All Persons Found Travelling Without Authority.	are to be mounted. The neighboring and hardly formed city of Westminster, not to be outdone, is gathering its own corps, while other mayors and other cit-	From Natal Besides Making Kimberley Easy.	four and five and six mules drawing am- bulances, like bakers' vans; others walked beside wagons curling whips that would dwarf the biggest salmon rod round the flanks of small-bodied, huge-horned oxen. This tail alone of the army covered three	The mountain guns turned vengeful to- wards the spot whence the fire came, and ing, blackening patch of veldt—and silence. From then the action flickered on fill half-past one. Time on time the original	But not for long! At 800 yards the
of taxation, and thereby render- var unpopular, when he has the ource of borrowing the money e requires and leaving another n to carry the financial burden for the salvation of the Empire.	By Associated Press. Capetown, Monday, December 18 Gen. Gatacre, in order to check insur-	half dead semi-military organization of mounted farmers of the English country- side is springing into new life under the	Unofficial Strategists' Sugges- tion of a New Field for the Censor's Activity.	miles of road. At length emerging in front of them you found two clanking field bat- teries, and sections of mountain guns jing- ling on mules. Ahead of these again long khaki lines of infantry sat haside the road	rebuked him, and he was still. At length the regiments withdraw. The hot guns limbered up and left Rietfontein to burn itself out. The sweating gunners covered the last retiring detachment then ut their	They have, perhaps, a couple of machine guns of some sort, and these are sweep- ing our exposed front fanwise, doing fearful execution. Shrapnel, too, fitted with time fuses, are hursting among up
ally assumed that he will take c, especially as it will tend to eadiness in the money markets rld, which have already been 0 confusion by the war Tan	rection among the Dutch colonists and to prevent disaffected persons giving in- formation or other assistance to the Boers has issued a modified concentrado	hundreds of public spirited noblemen, of whom no one hears except at times of crises, has taken the lead. Hundreds of offices have been opened and thou-	New York, Dec. 24The London cor-	or pounded it under their even tramp. Then the general himself and his staff; then best part of a regiment of infantry; then a com- pany, the reserve of the advanced guard; then a half company the support than	pipes. The Boers made a half-hearted at- tempt to get in both on left and right; but the volunteers on the left, the cavalry ou the right, a shell or two from the centre, checked them as by machinery. We want	with monotonous regularity. And, less showy, but more deadly than all, the Mauser bullets sing a ceaseless chorus whose refrain is death. No wonder the firing line wavers, and
be the best time for bringing when dividends are realized is flowing into London, New Berlin; but Sir Michael Hicks- slow-going financier who	order. By its terms all males over 12 years old or whatever nationality residing out- side of towns or villages, but within a	each man bringing his horse; while the hunting men of Kildare, Meath and oth- er hunts are adding an Irish squadron. Besides these there are the volunteers throughout the length and breadth of	der Sunday's date, says: "Practical men have been wondering why the military authorities at the Cape have not made use of the censorship for	broken group of men, the advanced party; then, in the very front, the point, a ser geant and a half dozen privates trudging sturdly along the road, the scenting nose of	And at the end of it all we found that in those five hours of straggling bursts of fighting we had lost, killed and wounded, 116 men. And what was the good? seted	shows a disinclination to advance. But the general has his finger on the pulse of his little force, and, knowing full well what is about to happen, he turns to his orderly hurder and gives
TCHENER SAILS.	ed to immediately vacate their places of residence and either to remove to some	the land who are leaving desk and ware- house to shoulder maskets, not in home defence, as was the stipulation when they joined the home Volunteer forces, but to go to the front in South Africa.	the purpose of misleading the enemy, in- stead of applying it rigorously for the suppression of all news from the front. Apparently something of this kind has	Altogether, two regiments of cavalry- Fifth Lancers and Nineteenth Hussars- the Forty-second and Fifty-third Field Bat- teries and Tenth Mountain Battery, four infantry battallons-Devons Livernoole	ressed that aloud by the fact that, for all their pluck in standing up to the guns, they made no attempt to follow us home. Sec- ond, and more important, this commando	Instantly a call rings out, startling, crisp and shrill; and ere its echoes have ceas- ed to reverberate, the long line of sup- ports rise as one man and dashes for- ward to reinforce the depleted fort line.
y from Alexandria, on the cond class cruiser Isis. He ediately on board the British	nearest military camp. The spot to be selected by the officer commanding, where they must reside until further no	the matter in hand themselves, and, what is even more remarkable and typical, they are paying for it over the counter,	been done in the case of Warren's staff and battalions. At any rate the London press has been led to assume that War- ren's staff had gone to De Aar and that the bulk of the force would follow it.	Gloucesters and Second King's Royal Rifles -the Imperial Light Horse, and the Natal Volunteers. Once more, it was fighting. The head of the column had come with- ing three miles or so of Moddersmuit sta-	was univen westward, and others were drawn westward to aid it—and the Dundee force was marching in from the east. Drag- ging sore feet along the miry roads they heard the guns at Rietfontein and were	Thus stiffened, it pushes forward anew, stolidly, doggedly, in short, sharp rushes, for another 200 yards. Then, again, there is seen that ominous wavering, and one hold common ball common and the second
o, which sailed for Gibraltar, vill meet Lord Roberts. YEAR INAUGURATED. able Pontiff Directs Impress-	All persons found within the radius without passes will be arrested. London, Dec. 25.—Advices from Coles- berg assert that not many colonial Dutch have joined the Boers in that district	gets. The Lord Mayor is equipping his corps by the aid of fat checks from city merchants. Mr. Balfour has himself set going in his own Scottish county of Haddington with south of the set	censorship, by which correspondents will be enabled to cable their own forecasts of coming operations with greater free-	tion. The valley there is broad and open. On the left runs the wire-fenced railway; beyond it the land rises to a high moun- tain called Tinta Inyoni. On the left front is a yet higher green mountain, double- peaked, called Mattawana's Hock. Some	cured the unharssed home coming of the 4,000 way-weary marchers from Dundee G. W. Stevens in London Mail.	the section wiped out by the bursting of a single well-aimed shell, stops short and seeks cover without orders. The officer in command threatens, entreats, protests, and the men rise again and rush forward
emonies in Presence of formous Concourse.		ment of the county Yeomanry, and these examples are being widely followed. Morcover, the owners of the Castle Un- ion and Wilson lines, the Wilsons being,	have misled the enemy if some amateur campaigner in the camp had announced the probability of a turning movement from Weenen and this had been tale	call the place Jonono's others Rietfontein; the last is perhaps the least outlandish. The force moved steadily on towards Modderspruit, one battalion in front of the	WARFARE AS IN AFRICA. Theories of the Military Art Now Being Put to Practical Test.	But hark! A second time the bugle
the Holy Year by perform- essive ceremony of opening or of St. Peter's cathedral a this morning. The cere- performed in the vestibule and somely decorated, in the	Wives and Children of Guards in Africa Share in Her Majesty's Hospi-	transports to South Africa. "Today the Archbishop of Canterbury publishes the Queen's letter to the Es-	agents, when in reality a frontal attack was alone under consideration. Nothing of this sort was done. All the news was suppressed for a forthright before the	flank," said one in authority. "The enemy are on both those hills," Sure enough, there on the crest, there dotted on both sides, were the moving black mannikins	tle on the Veldt," the Canadian Military Gazette publishes the following "de-	ed by the whistles of half a hundred company and section commanders. It is the order to bring up the reserves. They come forward at the double and
the papal officers, the mem-	London, Dec. 26.—The wives and fami- lies of the Guards reservists from Wind- sor now serving in South Africa assem- bled at St. George's Hall, Windsor, to-	and orphans. It is in just this sponta- neous, unofficial, seemingly haphazard way that the richest Empire of history often does her best work. She does it in	days for the first clear account of the capture of the guns, in yesterday's Stand- ard, while dispatches from Methuen's column seldom appear in print, and there seems to be slight probability that	as boers. Fresently the dotted head and open files of a battalion emerged from be- hind the guns, changing direction half left to cover their flank. The batteries push- ed on with the one battalion ahead of them.	sides being extremely interesting, its ac- curacy may be thoroughly relied upon. It is by the author of 'Life in the Ranks' ": Our scouts having brought us intelli-	battle, and the firing line, stiffened effect- ually by 500 fresh troops, dashes forward once more. At 250 yards the whistles sound again. "Employ magazine fire" is what they
but grew pale and showed	the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Princess Henry of Battenberg, the Duchess of Albany and others of the	though all Europe did more than growl, but she does it in calm, dogged belief in herself and her destiny, let the rest of	half encircles him, "I have assurances from high quarters that he will hold his ground and net as	of the Drakensberg looked as if you could shout across to them.	mand will detail two British battalions, each 1,000 strong, to rout them out.	while the Maxims zip-zip-zip their very hardest, and the artillery pounds away with a will. It is the turn of the enemy
silence was maintained the ceremony save when the his blessing, which evoked ". The weather was fine and s concourse assembled in the the bassilica. Order was	THE DEADLY HOWITZER.	LONELY DEATH IN NORTH. Another Story of Prospectors Overcome	stant use of the balloon, and is watching the enemy's movements day by day. The bull dog has not lost his grip and while he holds on to the open velt beyond Modder River he keeps a lorge Dutch	der of Matawana's Hoek; the place it would arrive at we waited, half anxious, half curlous, to see. Whirr-whizz-e-e-c- -phut! Heavens, on to the very top of a	-which decree that, other things being equal, the attacking force should always be at least twice the strength of the defending. With them will go a battery	ing death through a hose! This is pump- ing annihilation through a thousand noz- zles at once. And under cover of this terrific fusil-
by the pontifical guards, by the royal carbineers and	War and the Ordinary Gun. A howitzer and a gun are two very different articles writer a military	the Wilderness. A ghastly tale is brought by recent	force away from Natal and releases Kimberley from close investment." SITUATION AT THE MODDER. London. Dec. 25-A dematch from	blue-white smoke, with grey-black figures struggling and plunging inside it. Then the figures grew blacker and the smoke cleared—and in the name of wonder the gun was still there. Only a substant had bla	All actions, great and small, begin with an artillery duel; and our suppositious engagement is, of course, no exception to	number of 1,000 or thereabouts—for some few have fallen during the advance—are creeping nearer and ever nearer. They are only 100 yards from the fiing line now. 50! 25!
sengers Killed or Injured by on of Trains-Steamer's Misadventure.	(with the 15-pounder 15 degrees) where-	for, son of Thomas Taylor of Lake St. Ann, was hunting on Smoky river about 50 miles above the crossing. He came	The Boers continue extending their trenches. They now have nearly 20 miles of entrenched works due north of the British camp which clear is the second	sack ripped to rags. But there was no time to look on that or anything else but the amazing nimble- ness of the guns. At the shell-error before	fective range of between 8,000 and 12,- 000 yards; but in practice, except under very exceptional circumstances, they are	as it began, and this fresh body of Bri- tons, bayonets fixed, drums beating, and each individual separate unit cheering like mad, hurls itself, a living avalanche
Dec. 24.—The present fog in s caused a series of rail dis- tonian express fell over an t at Hamilton, a town near	vation is nothing for a howitzer. A gun fires one charge only, but a howitzer has many. Finally, and here comes the greatest difference a gun is made to act breather	of the surroundings showed the remains of a human body, besides the ordinary fixtures of a camp, and a number of leaves from a diary written in French. There was fifty pounds of form arguing	The Boers, moreover, are compelled to keep a force estimated at 20,000 in order to contain the British column. "A large number of Lord Mothura's	ed into carrying insects—the legs of the eight horses pattering as if they belonged all to the one creature, the deadly sting in the tall leaning and twiching with every	about 5,000 yards of the position to be assailed. Then a single round of com- mon-i.e., solid-shell is fired, to "get the range." followed by shrannel at one-min-	enemy. It is the hottest of hot work while it lasts, and many a gallant redcoat drops ere the charge is driven home. But
aturday. Five persons were many injured. n express telescoped the Con- ress near Brighton and three te killed and twoarts injured.	nre-inat is, directly striking the face of what is aimed at, and a howitzer drops its shell over the object, and spreads its havoc on the rear side. The field grunner must be able to	the belongings of the camp. The police at Peace River Crossing were notified. The camp was examined, the diary de- ciphered and the belongings taken charge of. From the entries in the diary it of	wounded have recovered and are ready to resume their places in the ranks." A despatch to the Daily News from Modder River dated December 18 says: "We are new available to the says:	movement. One battery had wheeled about, and was drawn back at wide intervals fac- ing the Boer hill. Another was pattering	same time the infantry, which has, up to now, been marching in columns of com- pany, deploys—i.e., opens out. It may be that the fire of our artillery draws that of our opponents, in which	regular infantry, once it has received and acted upon the order to charge. And now ensues a scene of sickening carnage; for once inside an enemy's
h and Windsor express trains side of Windsor and disor- Christmas traffic. Dec. 24.—A report of the the steamer Tainni was	what he is shooting at, but the scientific siege guiner does not want in the least to see what he is directing his fire against. He calmly gets his howitzer in a bit, and leisurely makes his nearest	pected that a party of three had pros- pected during the summer of 1898 on the upper waters of the Smoky and its tributaries. That they were making their way down the Smoky during the winter and their or the smoky during the	we have found ourselves pretty well matched; but the Boer has always the choice of positions. Let England then become alive to the mode for a first	e-e-phuit! The second Boer shell fe!! stupidly, and hurst in the empty veldt. Then bang!-from across the railway-e-e-e- whiz-whirr-silence-and then the little	case the "drums" are ordered to the rear, and the bearer companies advance at the double, in case of wounded; but, in any case, our lads press steadily for- ward, rifles at the trail or slope and	trenches little, if any, quarter can be given. There is always the danger of a counter-attack to be reckoned with. So, to make sure, every man found in- side the position, with arms in his hands.
She was not seriolusly dis- roceeded for Glasgow. YORK ALDERMEN. k. Dec. 22.—The board of	decides where his projectile fell, and makes the necessary allowance to drop the next in another spot. A few of these dreaded engines of de- struction placed along the believe	winter and that on the way or after com- ing to the camp, which was found, two of the party fell ill, probably of scurvy. The entries in the diary indicated that one had died and was buried. Another had gone away to try to got help. The mitter	100,000 nien. Such a force will prove the truest economy in both blood and treasure."	white balloon just over the place the Boer shell came from. It was 25 minutes to nine. In a double chorus of bangs and booms the infantry began to deploy. Gloucesters	At about 3,000 yards, the two battal- ions separate. One stays 600 yards in the rear, and becomes the main body of the reserves, while the other splits itself up	of those who have previously taken to their heels is hastened by the volleying of their own abandoned artillery, and by the independent rifle fire of the vic-
of New York to-day adopted a praying "the God of battles" he Boers successful in the war Ingland. The resolution will the council and if the bat	abouts. The six-inch breech-loading howitzers Carried by our size battering	or the diary was clearly the man whose remains were found by Mr. Taylor and who being ill had been left in camp and had died alone there. The fate of the	Dominion Government Confirms Lease of Best Harbor Sites to Buffalo Syndicate.	and Devons wheeled haif left, split into firing line and supports in open order, trampled through the wire fences over the railway. In front of the Boer position, slightly commanded on the left fank by	"reserves" in such a manner that the numerical strength of the last-named fighting unit is exactly equal to that of the other two combined. The force, in other words, resolves itself into what is	corpses of the vanquished. Such, briefly sketched, is the history of a typical modern battle, in which the at- tacking force is victorious. But, suppos- ing the attack is repulsed! When this
will come before Mayor Van is approval. THACKARAY. ard Russell, in his book of	They have a range of about the same. They have a range of about 8,200 yards, and fire only common shell of 118 lbs. weight, having a bursting charge of nearly 20 lbs. of lyddite.	have tried to follow the Smoky river down to the Crossing and been drowned, as there are many rapids over which the ice is thin all winter. At any rate so far	From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, Dec. 26.—An extra of the Canada Gazette issued to-night approves of the agreement between the backer	Devons, who led the column, fell naturally on to the right of the line; Liverpools and Rifles backed up right and left. But almost before they were there arrived the irre-	technically known as the "order of at- tack," a somewhat complicated arrange- ment. Each line covers precicely the same length of front, and in this order and	happens, it will readily be seen that the result to the assnilants, who have to re- cross in their retrent the fire-swept zone, are usually disastrous.
es, says: rious how many persons dis- ray; a man who, to my think-	sparing manner, and no human being could possibly exist within a distance of	situation of the camp was not more than twenty-five miles across country from Brick Bros,' store and the adjoining settlement, so that there was no need of the men suffering as head to be the	commissioners of Montreal and the Con- nors Syndicate of Buffalo, who are thus	pressible ubiquitous guns; they had silenced the enemy's guns; they had circled	keeping the same interval, they enter what military authorities have agreed to term the "degree to be a set of the set of	Capt. Christensen and Chief Engineer McGuire of the tug Czar have come over from Vancouver to take charge of the Lorne, the flagship of the tugboat fleet operating in the Straits. Their places
phi theatre and went behind	at least 100 yards in any direction.	Bulletin has not been able to learn the	DR. A. W. CHASES OF	was the signal for a cataract of builets that for a moment in places almost equalled the high-lead mark of Elandsiaagte. The hir whistled and hummed with them—and then the guns becan.	armed, and his skill in using it. As a general rule, however, unless the defend- ing force is exceptionally strong in ar- tillery, it may be put down at 1,000	with Transfer No. 1, between Van- conver and Union, by Capt. L. P. Locke, formerly of the Joan and later of the Lorne. The American shin Glory of the Seas
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It was curious how many persons dis thed Thackeray; a man who, to my think-ing, endears himself to you on some part of every page he wrote. One night I was in the Adelphi theatre and went behind to see an old friend of mine in the com-pany. He presently said to me: "Did you see who was in the house?" I said: "Do ou mean Thackeray?" He said: "Tee Do you know that when he comes in he puts nit of us out, and we feel we can't do any-thus: 't is exactly the revise. We see him come in, and he puts us all in a good crea-nstantly."

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Fan hung on to his arm, and stared at the great van as it passed Clove alley.
"Who sends the presents?" asked she, a
curious little glitter in her wan eyes.
"Why, the Queen," said Bobble quickly.
"Them carts belong to the Queen; she's stock full of presents."
"Oh, Bobble!" she gasped; "what a good Queen! and nobody ever toid me before!"
"Come on, then," said he, pulling her arm, but averting his face, "and I'll show you. It's true-tell ye straight." The van the showle days and nights without food; but now her heart was heavy.

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ad that the union had voted on Mass for the Mass for the Century's were 400 or 500 idle men in the t the present time, and most of were union men. He knew of no where Canadian miners applying rk had been discriminated against a at the present 500 any other individual. The union was a private one, Mr. Long was recalled and ask on the structure of the

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paces wide, separating them as by neutral territory, swept by the fire of both sides, a belt in which no living being can stand for a moment." How hopelessly at sea was this antici-pation has now been proved by hard facts. The British forces in South Africa, opposed to fine and steady marksmen, courageous by nature and steady marksmen, courageous by nature and steady in the sea was the sea "solemn, ominous gap" between the ines. They have again and again, in equal or inferior force, stormed the en-provided with one of the finest rifles in existence. And they have done it with a loss in each case which is far below that sustained in similar actions of the past.

**Turned** Out.