

AROUSING GREAT ENTHUSIASM

The French Republicans Oppose the Credit for the Madagascar Expedition.

The War Speech of the Minister of Foreign Affairs Received With Enthusiasm.

Paris, Nov. 23.—The chamber of deputies was crowded to-day, the occasion being the debate on the question of granting credit for the Madagascar expedition. The Republicans opposed the credit and warned the chamber that the minimum expenditure would ultimately be likely to reach two hundred million francs.

London, Nov. 23.—The secretary of the Royal Yacht Squadron said to-day that nothing had been definitely settled in regard to the Challenge for the America cup. Designer Watson said that if the Americans would accept Dunraven's challenge upon mutually fair conditions a yacht would be built forthwith to contest for the cup.

FROM OTTAWA. Senator Tasse Dying—The Seizures of American Fishermen.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 23.—Senator Tasse, who represented Ottawa for some years in the house of commons is dying. The deputy minister of fisheries told the Times correspondent to-day that the reports of the officers of the department had shown that the seizure of American fish and nets at Sandusky, Western Ontario, were certainly made in Canadian waters.

Commander Spain has discharged the fisheries protection fleet, and returned here to-day. The boats are being tied up for the season. There were two seizures of American boats during the summer.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES. News from all Parts of the World in Brief Paragraphs.

A private dispatch received from India says the condition of Lord Randolph Churchill is very unsatisfactory. A telegram to Harvard College observatory from Lowe observatory, California, announces the discovery of a comet by Edward Swift.

In the race for the governorship of California full returns has been received from all counties with the exception of San Francisco. Including estimated returns from San Francisco the result is: Budd, 111,528; Estee, 110,256. Budd's plurality, 1270.

The completion of the Tehuantepec railway is announced. It will connect the Pacific and Atlantic oceans by way of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, a distance of 130 miles, the Isthmus of Tehuantepec being in the southern part of Mexico, adjoining Guatemala.

U. S. Commander Smith, retired, appeared before the naval court-martial at the navy yard this morning and pleaded not guilty. He is charged with scandalous conduct in disobeying the orders of the navy department.

Five students of Kansas City university medical college were arrested at Oak Grove cemetery last night, charged with grave robbery.

The United States steamer Fessenden is lying at Sandusky, Ohio, and the captain is conducting a private inquiry on board her to-day into the circumstances of the seizure by the Canadian steamer Petrol of the nets owned by American citizens.

PLUMPER'S PASS. A Whole Night on the Top of an Upright Boat.

Plumper's Pass, Nov. 20.—During a recent gale a native of Cowichan Gap, whose name appears to be unknown, was returning home from Vancouver across the gulf. His boat was suddenly struck by a huge sea and overturned.

AMERICAN DISPATCHES. News in Brief from the Great American Republic.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—The cabinet meeting was again postponed to-day on account of the continued indisposition of the president. Secretary Thurston says the president's rheumatic foot still troubles him.

San Francisco, Nov. 22.—Attorney Monteith is preparing some affidavits, to be filed to-morrow, in the case of one of the strikers now on trial for obstructing the mails and interfering with interstate commerce.

TO USE THE CANALS. An Agreement by Which Canadian Canals Can be Used by Americans.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 21.—An afternoon paper says that for the last sixteen months leading American vessel owners for the great lakes have been in consultation with the Canadian ministry devising a scheme under which the ships of this country could make free use of the Canadian ship canals.

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CHINA AND JAPAN.

A Viceroy Disgraced—The Japs Killed at Talien Wan All Beheaded.

One European's Head Cut Off—Four Attacks Made on Port Arthur.

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THE ARMENIAN MASSACRE. British Government Satisfied with the Sultan's Promised Enquiry.

London, Nov. 22.—A dispatch to the Times from Constantinople says that the commission appointed by the Sultan to examine into the reported massacre of Armenians is composed of Abdallah Pasha, general of division; Tewfik Pasha, general of brigades, both of whom are aides to the Sultan; Medjid Bey, an official belonging to the ministry of the interior, and Omer Bey, director of the savings bank.

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The Paris correspondence of the Morning Post says that the army committee of the French chamber told General Mercier, minister of war, that no Parisian soldiers should be sent to Madagascar. General Mercier replied: "If any attempt be made to interfere with my authority in this respect I shall resign."

The secretary of the Catholic missions, whose office is in Lyons, has received a telegram from the bishop of the province of Hoo Pe, China, saying that the Chinese are persecuting the Christians severely in Li Chooan and have already killed several of them.

The St. James' Gazette gives prominence to an article in which it says it is rumored that an approachment has taken place between England and Russia, and that it is possible that the Straits of the Dardanelles, which have been closed to Russian and other men-of-war since the signing of the treaty of 1856, will shortly be opened to men-of-war of all nations. The Gazette points out that the opening of the Dardanelles to foreign ships would have a disastrous effect upon England, and that it would necessitate a great increase in the British merchant fleet. It would seem that there is some basis for the report that the Dardanelles are to be opened to the passing of Russian and other men-of-war, and a dispatch from Odessa to the London Times says a number of troops from the military districts of Odessa have been ordered to proceed to Vladivostok, and from the Russian war port to the northeast of Corea. It was asserted that these reinforcements are dispatched to the east entirely on account of the war between China and Japan. It should be added, however, that this is not the first time the vessels of the Russian volunteer fleet have passed through the Dardanelles on their way to Vladivostok.

The Daily News correspondent in Vienna says that the parliamentary sitting in Buda-Pesth today was tumultuous. "The opposition constantly interrupted the speaker, Deputy Busbach, who made the interpellation as to the affair in Debreczin," he says, "the cries of dissent ending in a deafening roar, the deputies shouting: 'It is not allowed to toast the king of Italy, but we are ordered to weep over the czar's death.' The sitting was then suspended temporarily."

The committee of the French chamber of deputies to which the matter was referred has favorably reported about asking for credit to prosecute the war against Madagascar. The chamber was thrown into an uproar to-day by a socialist deputy denouncing the dead czar as the executioner of the Poles. The debate on M. Cuesdo's question was continued with stormy fervor this morning. Ex-Premier Goblet attacked Cuesdo and collectivism in general, while existing upon the necessity of extending the co-operative system among workmen.

News has reached Berlin of sharp fighting between Germans and the Wahche tribe. The governor of German East Africa, von Schele, telegraphed from Dar es Salaam that on October 30 Kituroga, the capital of the Wahche territory, was stormed and captured by the Germans in an engagement which lasted several hours. Lieut. Maas and eight Askaris were killed. The losses of the Wahche were heavy. A large number of cattle, much ivory and a large number of guns and rifles which were lost by the Zeluway expedition, were recovered. The Germans also captured large supplies of powder and rescued 1500 women and children, who were held as prisoners by the Wahche tribes.

A dispatch dated at Vienna to the Daily News says that Czar Nicholas, in consultation with the grand dukes, declared that it was his intention to abolish the secret court of police and the state of siege. He also favored freedom of the press. He said if it was his fate to be killed the secret police could not protect him. It is reported that Governor Heyden, of Finland, has gone to St. Petersburg to report to the czar that the Finlanders refuse to swear allegiance to him. A dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Times states that six ty women and students have been arrested at Warsaw in connection with the issuing of a proclamation advising the Poles to decline to swear allegiance to Nicholas.

London, Nov. 23.—The Morning Post has this dispatch from Rome: "The pope is in excellent health and spirits. He is busy just now in preparing several documents with the object of showing that the church not only may share in the progress of society, keeping pace with the most sweeping changes, but also may find in this progress the elements of a great development. The documents are calculated to show the pope's intense faith in the future of Catholicism."

Earthquakes and rumblings continue in the district around Milazzo, Italy. The panic has not abated, and houses deserted several days ago remain unoccupied. Signor Grazi, under secretary of the interior, visits daily the towns which have suffered most severely. The scenes in the affected districts are distressing and ghastly. Many of the injured are horribly mutilated. Graves have been opened in the Milazzo cem-

etry and many bodies must be reinterred. The sufferers are grateful to the soldiers. Signor Galt has thanked the troops on behalf of the government. Confidence is returning slowly, but it was a tremendous task to restore order. Thousands of people are homeless.

Judge Wiedmann, who was sent on a mission to England by ex-Queen Lillio-kalani, has finished his mission here and has gone to Germany, from which country he will return to Hawaii via Bremen and New York. The judge has not met with success.

The marriage contract of the czar and the Princess Alix was signed to-day by M. de Giers, minister of foreign affairs, and Count Voronoff-Dashkoff, minister of the imperial household. It contains certain provisions for the bride, both during the czar's life and in the event of his death.

A STIR IN SOCIETY. Leaders of Societies Asked to be Patrons for Breckinridge's lectures.

New York, Nov. 23.—The Sun's Washington special says: Some lunatic or practical joker has been taking liberties with the proudest dames and dowagers of Washington and from letters and telegrams that have been received here it would seem that he has done the same with prominent ladies in other cities. He signs himself Col. Starbuck Fairfax, but that name does not appear in the directory nor is it known to any of the Virginians or Kentuckians who would be likely to have any acquaintance with such a person if he existed. His letter head reads: "North American Bureau, Western Division," but he gives no street or town address and if anyone wanted to answer him he would not know where to direct the envelope. The letters are all uniform and read as follows: "Dear Madam—The constant expression of sympathy which is manifested throughout the country for that distinguished, but martyred, statesman of Kentucky, the Hon. W. C. P. Breckinridge, suggests that the people of the land should have an opportunity of hearing his eloquent defence of religion and morality. In response to vehement calls from the women of America, it has been deemed wise to place him upon the lecture platform. It is intended to have him lecture in the principal cities under the auspices of a board of national patronesses. One representative lady from each principal city constituting that board. Your name has been suggested for the city of Washington, and unless we hear from you to the contrary by the morning of the 21st instant, it will be printed as a member of the national board on all the programmes and show bills throughout the country. I leave for the west on Wednesday morning. Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain, your most obedient servant."

Very naturally the ladies who have received this communication and they are among the social leaders of Washington, have been thrown into a state of panic, and some of them as the writer threatens to accept silence as assent and does not tell where a refusal will reach him. It is not believed that Col. Breckinridge has anything to do with the affair, but it is supposed to be the work of some wicked wag.

THE EMERALD GANG. They Were Assisted by American Customs Officers.

San Francisco, Nov. 23.—The Emerald gang was again brought into notoriety by the arrest in Oakland early this morning of George W. Patterson, an ex-customs inspector. He is charged with having assisted the Emerald gang in landing one thousand pounds of opium at this port. The warrant also charges E. W. McLean, George Wichman, George N. Thomas, Louis Greenwald, John H. Voss, Fred Miller and A. Stevenson with the same offence. Thomas, Wichman and Greenwald were previously convicted and are now serving sentences. San Quentin, Louis Greenwald, Patterson and one other in British Columbia, where they fled to escape arrest. Patterson was arrested on evidence furnished by Wichman's brother. It is now said that Voss will return and give evidence against Patterson and other customs inspectors who were leagued with the smugglers while in the customs service. It is said that two of the men in the penitentiary will also give evidence against them.

UNITED STATES LOAN. One Offer Above One Hundred and Seventeen.

Washington, Nov. 24.—Bids for the new bonds issue of \$50,000,000 gold at 3-1/2 were opened at the treasury department to-day. The aggregate amount of offers will reach two hundred million. The United States Trust Company syndicate of New York has offered 117,077 for the whole amount. There were several offers above these figures for smaller amounts. The Stewart syndicate of New York on behalf of the banks in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Boston bid 116,88-98 for the entire issue.

REBEL CHIEF KILLED. Mexico Rid of One of Her Worst Enemies.

Oaxaca, Mex., Nov. 24.—The government authorities here have received advices from the state of Yucatan of the assassination of Puck, the notorious rebel chief. He was at the head of the powerful and rebellious Indian tribe of Yucatan that for years has caused the general government an enormous outlay of money and the loss of several thousand soldiers. Puck was killed by a subordinate chief of his own tribe.

NEWS OF THE INTERIOR

Items of Interest From the Farming and Mining Centres of the Province.

Mysterious Death of a Chinese Girl at Kamloops—Mining Information.

Nakusp Ledger. Thursday saw the termination of the present contract between the Omahla smelting works and the Slocan Star people, the last of the ore stored at Three Forks for almost a year having been sent forward on that day. The Kootenai and Lytton each took out a big load, 28,000 tons, and the Slocan release value of \$14,750. This has all been forwarded without a mishap of any kind and in good order. As intimated last week, the Alpha mine, on Four Mile creek, which commenced the season's shipments, has resumed its export, though in smaller quantities. The ore, as at first, goes to Omahla, and its returns are certain to convince Alexander Mackenzie of the value of his excellent property. Three car loads of ore from this mine were brought in on Tuesday's train, having been reshipped from the steamer William Hunter at Rosebery. The Le Roi mine, on Trail creek, made its usual weekly shipment, amounting to 44 tons, to East Helena, a valuation of \$2,200. Lane Gillian forwarded from Kaslo 25 1/2 to Great Falls, the value being \$2,550.

It is only a question of a short time when Trail creek will have a smelter. At the present time it costs \$4 per ton to take the ore from the mines to the railway at Northport. The total cost of transportation to Tacoma and treating is \$16 per ton. Bergsville, an assayer from Butte, visited the camp this fall and offered to smelt the ore for \$10. He afterwards dropped his price to \$7 per ton, and wanted the Le Roi company to guarantee him 20,000 tons of ore before he would set up his \$10,000 plant. The Le Roi people are looking for the best of it, and by investigation discovered that their ore could be treated for \$4.50 per ton, and in consequence did not close any deal with the Montana man. When the different smelters at the mines it is a foregone conclusion that the owners will not ship much of their product to Tacoma. Northport is putting forth its claims as a smelting point, but is more likely to be built in the shadow of Spokane mountain and make out of the adjacent town of Roseland a second Butte, if there is to be a Butte in this country.

George W. Hughes paid \$15,000 for the Mountain Chief, and up to date he has taken out \$100,000 worth of ore. Midway Advance. One hundred tons of mangolds from three acres of ground, which sold at \$5 per ton, thereby returning to the producer \$500, at the rate of \$150 per acre, with the assurance thrown in that the cultivation of this 100 tons of roots did not cost the producer more than \$50. This is one of the proofs of what can be done on some of the small holdings in this country, and sooner or later these proofs will carry conviction to the large holders of land that mixed farming is the only thing that will dispel the large cloud of depression and lift the mortgage burden on the shoulders of farmers who at the present time have to bear it. Root crops return from \$50 to \$150 per acre, and the farmer seeks the money lender, and misery is the result.

The tunnel on the Texas is now in 32 feet, the last five feet being in ore similar to the specimens lately brought to town. The striking of this ledge at this distance was very unexpected, as it was not considered likely that any ore body would be struck until the tunnel had been run at least 150 feet into the hill. The ore shows considerable native copper and is similar in appearance to that of the small leads on the top of the hill, which assay high in silver, with some gold. Development will be continued on the Texas during the whole winter. On the Paymaster (northwest extension of the Texas) some recent development work also done by Mr. Miner of the E. S. Graham has opened up a good lead of copper ore on the surface. A small shipment of ore from these claims will in all probability be made this winter to the Anaconda smelter to test its value.

Floot ice began coming down the Kettle river last week, and now here and there, where there is still water, the stream is almost frozen over.

Mr. N. Hardy has purchased his old ranch on Christin lake which he sold to Kerr Bros. and has taken up a pre-emption of 160 acres adjoining it to the east. He intends to put up a new dwelling this winter.

A late assay of ore from the Lake claim, owned by Mr. Corbett, made at Midway by Mr. Haas, gives \$10 in gold. This location lies about two miles above the Helen on the old Skylark trail. It was located last year and has a big capping of magnetic ore. Development consists of a ten foot shaft and two open cuts. The width of the lead is not known.

A large number of trees are on their way into the Similkameen valley for setting out next spring. This shows that the settlers in the valley now fully realize its adaptability for raising all kinds of fruit. We believe the Similkameen valley to be the best all round section for fruit in the province. It is badly situated at present, however, as regards shipping facilities.

Mr. George Cook's claim, the Last Chance, about on the north of the Skylark, is looking better than ever. The vein, four feet wide, has been lately opened up in two more places, and has two high grade pay streaks, ten inches on the hanging wall and five inches on the centre. Mr. Cook will work the Skylark people this winter and continue



Why not try Wyeth's Malt Extract? Doctors highly recommend it to those Who are run down; Who have lost appetite; Who have difficulty after eating; Who suffer from nervous exhaustion; And to Nursing Mothers, as it increases quantity and improves quality of milk. PRICE, 40 CENTS PER BOTTLE.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

Several of the Eastern Leaders of the Conservative Party Dangerously Ill.

An Order-in-Council to Provide for Better Education of Indian Children.

A large number of prominent business men attended a meeting of the Canadian Copyright association yesterday. A resolution was passed urging the Dominion government to declare the Canadian copyright act of 1880, and if thought necessary they should issue a license to publish and then have the case carried to the courts so that a decision may be had as to the constitutionality of the act.

Three Rivers, Nov. 24.—This morning as the office boy was opening Dr. Labonte's dental office he perceived the doctor on the staircase with his feet up. He notified the neighbors, who on coming to the place noticed a lamp on the floor. It is supposed that late last night as the doctor was coming down stairs to go home he tripped and was stunned, and falling head downwards, death ensued.

Toronto, Nov. 24.—Dr. A. Smith, medical health officer of Logan township, Perth county, has notified Dr. Brice, secretary of the Ontario board of health, of a case of smallpox. The patient is a man from Chicago, who on Thursday got off the train at Mitchell and sought medical advice regarding an eruption on his skin. He was allowed to go to the home of his friends in Logan township.

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 24.—The diphtheria epidemic continues to increase. Three new cases were brought into the hospital last evening. Miss Bowman, head nurse at the hospital, has contracted the disease. Dr. Edgar has inoculated one of the patients with anti-toxine, and so far as can be judged the effects are good.

Ottawa, Nov. 24.—It is a singular thing that Dr. Montague, M. J., and Robert Birmingham, Conservative organizer and secretary, the two mainstays of the party in Ontario, and Senator Tasse, one of the most active spirits of the Conservative party in Montreal district, and director of the only French monthly paper in Canada, are ill, lying at the point of death. Tasse has been given up, and a telegram received by the government here this morning says Birmingham is not expected to live through the day.

By the terms of the regulations adopted by order in council all Indian children between the ages of seven and sixteen shall attend day school on the reserve on which they reside during the full term during which the school is open each year, unless excused as being already under efficient instruction or being necessary to support some person who depend on their children. The Indian agents are empowered to appoint truant officers on reserves, and parents and guardians are liable to a fine of \$2. Provision is also made for the forcible removal of children whose education or comfort is being neglected to industrial schools.

Our Meat, Fish, Oysters, Saratoga Chips, Eggs, Doughnuts, Vegetables, etc. Like most other people, our folks formerly used lard for all such purposes. When it disagreed with any of the family (which it often did) we said it was "too rich." We finally tried Cottolene and not one of us has had an attack of "richness" since. We further found that, unlike lard, Cottolene had no unpleasant odor when cooking, and lastly Mother's favorite and conservative cooking authority came out and gave it a big recommendation which clinched the matter. So that's why we always fry ours in Cottolene. Sold in 2 and 5 lb. pails, by all grocers. Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Wellington Street, MONTREAL.

QUITE AN IMPROVEMENT. The Czar Punishes an Officer for Incivility to Newspaper Men. London, Nov. 23.—The Daily News correspondent in St. Petersburg confirms the report that Grand Duke Vladimir will go as governor to the Caucasus. He will be succeeded as commander-in-chief of the St. Petersburg troops by the Grand Duke Sergius, while the husband of Grand Duchess Xenia will take the place of the Grand Duke Sergius. The czar is displaying unexpected energy. It is stated that he placed M. Wahl, chief of the St. Petersburg police, under arrest for three days in his own residence for ordering the Countess Stroganoff's mourning decorations to be removed because they were erected without police permission; also for treating the foreign newspaper reporters badly. The News correspondent in Vienna says that the czar will visit Berlin and Vienna in the spring, and will visit the Russian provinces with the empress in the following autumn. The Grand Duke of Oldenburg, the News hears: "Owing to the recent disturbances in the university arising from the rector's proposal to send a wreath to Alexander's funeral, several students have been arrested in the last few days. Of nearly 600 students, 200 voted to send a wreath, while the remainder refused."

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THE RIFLE. WIN FOR VICTORIA. Defeated Nanaimo in the Inter-

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score, Opponent, Result. Lists names like 'The Rifle' and scores for various matches.

YACHTING. RAVEN'S NEW YACHT. Nov. 26.—Designer Watson de-

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills advertisement text: I have since recommended to a number of my friends...

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It quickly cures Cuts, Burns, Corns, Bruises, Chilblains, Bunions, Cracks between the Toes, Scalds, Piles, Swellings, Old Sores, Stiff Joints, Ulcers, Inflammation of all kinds, Lame Back, Pimples, Rheumatism, Pustules, Caked Breasts, Eruptions, Diseased Tendons, Contracted Muscles, And all Lameness and Soreness. Agents for B. C.

BURNT CORK FESTIVAL.

Amateur Minstrels Give Three Excellent Performances at the Victoria.

Good Music, Funny Gags and Attractive Specialties—Those Who Took Part.

The performances of the Amateur Minstrels in aid of the lacrosse club are over and there is nothing but praise from the public for all connected with the organization, from Musical Director Finn down to the "tough kid" who cleared the stage.

The first part included the whole strength of the company as follows: Interlocutor—Martin Egan; bones—W. Ralph Higgins, Ernest Pauline and Dave Patterson; tambourine—Fred Richardson, Norman Macaulay and George E. Powell; first tenors—Messrs. Shedd, Pilling, Mallandaine, Sherbourne, Hood, Herbert Pauline and Hughman; second tenors—Messrs. Bert Dowell, Clarke, Howard, R. Robertson, Brammer and Jackson; baritone—Messrs. Paul Higgins, Goward, Prinz, Austin, Dowlen, McIntyre, H. Robertson and Mitchell; basses—Messrs. Schl. Brownlie, Frank Higgins, Greenwood, Cullin, Oliver, Wilson and Messer, and the Victoria Theatre orchestra of eight pieces.

The following musical programme was then rendered every number being encored, several of them two and three times: "Lime Kiln Club," Dave Patterson; "Whose Little Girl Are You?" Alf Hood; "Do-Do-My-Huckleberry," W. Ralph Higgins; "The Little Woman," Frank Schl.; "It Hasn't Happened Yet," George E. Powell; "A Soldier's Sweetheart," James Pilling; "Hoopoo for Casey," Messrs. McIntyre and Richardson; "When the Pilot Takes Command," A. L. Brownlie. In the sentimental songs the choruses were subdued and the effect was splendid. It was a good reward for weeks of hard work by Mr. Finn. Between the songs the festive emcee made a speech, his work, Messrs. Higgins and Richardson leading in the fun and being ably supported by Ernest Pauline, George Powell, Dave Patterson and Norman Macaulay.

The first part closed with "Polly Magellan's Band," led by Fred Richardson. The "rags" worn were grotesque. The leader looked suspiciously like one of the girls from Mrs. Marvin's drill. George Powell was made up like the Indian chief who sold tickets for the freak show on Yates street a week ago, Norman Macaulay was a Chinese joss, and Messrs. Pauline, Patterson and Higgins were all made up in a comical way. They had to respond to several encores. The second part opened with a funny skit called "A Public Meeting," by Messrs. W. Ralph Higgins, Martin Egan and George Powell. Mr. Higgins was to close with a speech he never got to it, he was interrupted so much. The quartette composed of Messrs. Alf Hood, W. Ralph Higgins, Herbert E. A. Robertson and Frank Schl. came next. They were encored and sang "Old Ocean" perfectly, and for an encore, which was a hearty one, they gave a Chinese song, "Little Ah Sid." They had to repeat the latter twice. Next came something that footed a lot of people who will not believe that the dancers were all young men. Cal McIntyre, as the "premiere danseuse," could not have been better, and the same can be said of Messrs. George E. Powell, Harry Austin, Walter E. Dowlen, Dave Patterson, Harry Howard and Ernest Brammer. They danced with calcium effects managed by Ed. Perry, who also arranged the dance and drilled the boys. They were encored and gave the serpentine dance, and again for an encore gave the skirt dance. They were all very graceful, and if any distinction is to be made, Cal McIntyre should be placed at the head of the list. Mr. Perry deserves the greatest credit for the dance.

The gallant soldier boys from the R. M. A. made a grand hit with "Tommy Atkins," a late English success. Gunner Ayton took the solo and those in the chorus were: Gunners Lyons, Osborne, Butler, Davis, Bournen, J. Osborne, Llewellyn, Richardson, W. Creed, Sherwood and Bombardier Kelly. They were recalled several times.

The show closed with the "Cake Walk" with the following cast of characters: Old Man.....N. D. Macaulay Aunt Liza, his wife.....Alf Greenwood Ferd, the Tough Barber.....Geo. E. Powell Isabella What-not, his Sweet-heart.....F. Higgins Lucy.....Ed. Mallandaine Rastus, her young man.....Martin Egan Picninnies, by Messrs. Dowlen, Richardson, McIntyre, Howard, Patterson and Pauline. Cake Walkers, Etc.....By the Company (introducing the Quartette in "Kentucky Home" and "Corn Fields.")

The picninnies opened the cake walk and were very good, as were

Messrs. Powell, Frank Higgins, Norman Macaulay, Alf Greenwood and Ed Mallandaine.

At the matinee yesterday there was another good house. The programme was the same, except that the men from the R. M. A. were absent and instead Martin Egan read "Little Orphan Annie" by Whitecomb Riley for the children. Last night saw the bumper house of the engagement, His Honor Lieut-Governor Dewdney and party being among those present. The gags were new and the performance the snappiest of all. The boys were so sure of their parts that they tried to put one another out by giving the wrong cues.

The engagement was a financial as well as an artistic success, and is a great credit to Mr. Finn and the following committee: Executive committee—W. E. Dowlen, Frank Higgins, Norman Macaulay, W. Ralph Higgins, Martin Egan, Thomas Corsan, and W. J. Burnes. Treasurer—Ernest Brammer; Secretary—George Powell; Musical Director—John M. Finn; Stage Manager—Frank Higgins.

The company are deeply indebted to A. J. Dallain and H. E. A. Courtenay, managers of properties, to Clement Rowlands, who with the aid of cosmetics made the dancers beautiful; Ed Perry, for making up the boys; P. S. Lammpan, Robert Burnes and to Pete the stage man, and his corps of assistants.

REPORTED ASHORE.

Schooner Mischief Said to be Aground at Seymour Narrows.

A Port Townsend dispatch of last night says: "The steamer Mexico, from Alaska last night, reports that a steam schooner, resembling the Mischief of Victoria, is ashore at Seymour Narrows. The vessel is in no danger, as the beach is a steep bank. The Mexico brings no news of importance except that of the unanimous selection of Thomas S. Nowell, a prominent Juneau mining man, as territorial delegate from Alaska to the next congress."

The steam schooner is very likely the Mischief. She left here on Monday last for Quatsino sound with a party of Norwegian settlers, and in view of the extremely rough weather it is probable she got up the east coast and out around Cape Scott. The plan may not have been followed, but the people aboard preferred to go that way, and it is highly probable that they did.

GAINED FORTY-FIVE POUNDS.

The Experience of a Sufferer From Stomach and Liver Troubles.

Mr. George F. Pine is a well known resident of Richibucto, N. B., who suffered so much from stomach and liver troubles that it was feared recovery would not be possible. Respecting the condition he was in and his present excellent health Mr. Pine writes as follows: "I have been a sufferer for four or five years with what the doctors said was stomach and liver troubles. During nearly all that time I was taking doctors' medicine, but, so far as I can see, without the slightest benefit. I suffered greatly, and was so much debilitated that my weight was reduced from 133 pounds to 93. I was very much discouraged and felt as though there was no hope for me, when one day I read of a case similar to mine cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I determined to give the Pink Pills a trial, and I can honestly say that they have worked wonders in my case. My trouble is now all gone, and that Pink Pills have entirely restored my health, proven by the fact that I now weigh 130 pounds, a gain of 45 pounds since I began taking them. I believe Pink Pills to be the most valuable medicine in existence, and shall always recommend them to ailing friends. If the blood is impure or the liver inactive no remedy will so speedily cure these irregularities as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They positively cure when other remedies fail. Do not be persuaded to buy anything else, and see that every bottle you buy bears the full trade mark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," on the wrapper. Sold by dealers everywhere."

Bids on Debentures. The following is a full list of the bids on the waterworks debentures for \$100,000: Messrs. Montreal, whole, 103.92; J. B. Hoover, Montreal, whole, 102.11; P. Brown, Toronto, whole, 102.37 1/2; A. Austin, Victoria, whole, 101.87; B. Wilson Smith, Montreal, whole, 100.05; Lieut. Mcgridge, "Royal Arthur," \$1,000, 100.00; H. O'Hara & Co., Toronto, whole, 101.00; H. O'Hara & Co., Toronto, whole, 101.75; Imperial Trust Co., Toronto, whole, 101.88; B. C. Corporation, Victoria, \$50,000, 100.00; G. A. Stinson, Toronto, whole, 99.87 1/2; Jarvis & Co., Toronto, whole, 101.011; W. Farrell, Vancouver, whole, 100.27; W. Farrell, Vancouver, whole, 101.02; Dabry & Claxton, Victoria, whole, 96.85. The bid of the Imperial Trust Company was accepted.

How to Get a "Sunlight" Picture. Send 25 "Sunlight" Soap wrappers (bearing the words "Why does a Woman Look Older Sooner than a Man?") to Lever Brothers, Limited, 43 Beckett street, Toronto, Ont., and you will receive by post a genuine picture, free from advertising cost, and a card with directions on how to use the soap in the best way to decorate your home. The soap is in the wrapper, and is sent in a neat, postage-paid envelope, which you leave unopened. Write your address carefully.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

MAST-ARM TENDERS.

Are Laid Over by Council—Printing Contract Awarded to Thos. Roarke.

McFadden Departs From the Old Men's Home—Question of Survey Lines.

A special meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon, the full board being present.

Letters were read from Charles E. Redfern and Hewitt Bostock, accepting appointment as representatives from the city council on the board of the agricultural association.

Inmate McFadden, of the Old Men's Home, wrote stating that owing to ill-treatment from Caretaker Sutherland, he would leave the home for good. He had been abused by the caretaker, his wife and daughter, and asked a donation to help him for a while.

Caretaker Sutherland also wrote reporting McFadden for insubordination. Ald. Baker said McFadden was very sick; the doctor said he was ill.

Ald. Harris wanted the caretaker instructed not to again receive McFadden. This idea was carried out.

Water Commissioner Raymer reported that Mr. Ansoo owned property in the watershed of Elk Lake and Mr. Revaus a lease of the property for 71-2 years yet. Mr. Anderson asked the council to take over the lease. Mr. Revaus wanted \$9000 compensation. In an answer to Mr. Revaus, who keeps a dairy farm, said he considered \$3000 a fair value for depriving him of a good business. The cows were always sure of a drink of good soft water, and he thought it was a little muddy and polluted still it satisfied them. He recognized that it was necessary for the comfort of the people of Victoria that all the watershed should be taken; for whether injurious or not, it was unquestionable in his mind that the Elk Lake water contained the drainage from cow sheds and pigsties.

Ald. Wilson said that the writer should receive a vote of thanks. It was the best argument on the water question that had been made, but it came late too.

The question of tenders for mast-arms was taken up. The tenders were on the table. A point arose whether mast-arms called for in the specifications were strong enough. The specifications called for 1 1/4 inch by 1 1/4 inch.

Ald. Ledingham objected to the mast-arms as not being adequate to the requirements. They were too weak, would give away and might fall down and do injury.

Ald. Baker wanted Engineer Stickels present to give his opinion.

Ald. Ledingham said Engineer Stickels said they were in use in Walla Walla, and were of only the same strength. It was decided to lay over the tenders and to call in Engineer Stickels to give his opinion at the next meeting of the council.

Tenders for printing the voters' list were received from the following: Munroe Miller, \$1.40 to \$1.65; the Colonial, \$1.70 to \$1.75. The tenders were referred to the printing committee, which met after the proceedings of the council and awarded the contract to Thomas Roarke.

The electric light committee recommended that the tender of Nicholles & Renouf be accepted for electric light supplies. The prices were: 8000 feet 5-16 gal. iron were at \$33.20 per 1000 lineal feet; 2500 feet No. 6 rubber-covered wire braided at \$5.13 per 100 lineal feet; 300 pounds No. 6 telegraph wire at \$6 per 100 pounds; the total amount of the tender being \$411.85.

The water committee recommended that the city engineer be instructed to proceed with the work of clearing out and concreting the bottom of the filter beds at Beaver Lake. The report stated that the water works engineer of the Victoria and Saanich railway wrote the corporation regarding the plan filed by the corporation in the land registry office showing the land appropriated by the corporation for the water works purposes on the west shore of Elk and Beggar lakes. This plan after being compared with the survey made by the railway company showed that no doubt the traverse of the short line of the map filed had been made from the north and south end of the above lakes and did not meet, hence on application of the railway company to register conveyances of lands required for their purposes registration was refused. The committee were of opinion the matter should be referred to the city barristers with power to get the necessary order of court to rectify the error.

Ald. Styles said the water had been turned in the new filter beds too soon. The walls built about 20 years ago were in a good state of preservation, but at some time or other, the rock had been tilted out perpendicular to the wall. This was a great mistake. The question of the survey was a momentary one and required to be quickly dealt with. There had been too much dilly-dallying.

Ald. Dwyer said one of the engineers must have been wrong. In clearing out the filter bed it was not necessary to engage a number of bosses, the work could be done by day labor.

Mayor Teague said it was a question of who was right and who was wrong.

Ald. Styles thought that the matter should be referred to the city barristers for their opinion.

Ald. Wilson and Ald. Humphrey advocated that the matter lie over.

Ald. Harris thought the council was in error in the plans.

Ald. Ledingham asked was there much difference in the survey. Ald. Ledingham said Ralph's survey

went to show that the previous survey was wrong.

Ald. Harris thought the courts could settle the matter.

Ald. Dwyer asked who was going to pay the expenses.

Ald. Harris said the lines started out right, but there was a divergence at the other side.

Mayor Teague thought the survey question should lie over.

The survey matter was laid over and again come up when the council purchased the properties adjoining the lakes; the titles to the land could not be filed in the registry office.

The other portion of the report was adopted.

The by-law for revising the voters' list passed a second reading and was adopted by a committee of the whole and the council adjourned at 5:30 o'clock.

THE ASSIZES.

A Verdict of Not Guilty in the Trade Dollar Case.

Wednesday afternoon was taken up with the Ahearn case. For the defense several witnesses were called to prove that Hussey spent money freely on the eventful afternoon and also to show that Ahearn did not say that he would stay with Hussey because he had money but he did say that Josie would do so.

At the opening of the court this morning the case was continued. The accused gave evidence on his own behalf. He said he left 127 Johnson street about 6 a.m. on the day in question and met Josie Edwards near the Trade Dollar saloon and at their request he opened his saloon. He left about 7 o'clock and didn't go back until three in the afternoon when he found Hussey and the girl there making a good deal of noise. He said that the reason he told Josie to go away was to find out from her whether or not she knew anything about the money. He denied saying that he would stay with Hussey as he had "stuffed" what he did say was that Josie would stay with him because he had stuff.

This closed the evidence for the defence and Mr. Blyea briefly addressed the jury. He stated that the evidence conclusively showed that during the whole day Hussey and the girl Edwards were on a steady drinking debauch. He was there to do his best for the accused and not to accuse others, but still from the evidence he thought the monetary part had been made, but it came late too.

Mr. Irving dissected the evidence brought forward by the defence and commented on the fact that the bartender, Miller, was not brought forward and no satisfactory account of where he was had been given.

Mr. Justice Drake then charged the jury. He commenced by saying that the case demonstrated the dark side of Victoria life. The witnesses consisted largely of prostitutes and frequenters of houses of ill-fame—men who were careless as to whether or not the money paid for the drinks they were waiting for was the price of a woman's infamy—and it was from such garbage as this the truth had to be sifted.

The jury retired at noon and came back at 1:10 with a verdict of "Not Guilty."

The Jackson and Macdonnell gambling cases go over to the next assizes.

After the jury in the Ahearn case this morning went out the youths Hall and Smith were brought up for sentence. Mr. Perry Mills answers on behalf of the prisoners the judge's question why sentence should not be passed on them. He said they desired to make up the difference in change that Isler was out, money could be put on the road it would go a long way. Now, if any wishes to settle in this country they can come in to Bute inlet and get good land. As for roads, they are not hard to make, for I have made one hundred miles of wagon roads in Chilcotin, and now I have, with the help of my neighbors, got a trail from Chilcotin to Bute inlet and brought horses through with me. This trail is rather rough, but perhaps the government will make it better soon. If we had a trail through via Homalco river it would be much better and shorter, and we could drive our cattle to market both summer and winter. If a few more settlers will come we can soon cut it through, and then this great country will be settled. There is a town reserved six miles square at the mouth of the Homalco river that may be put on the market soon. Then there will be a chance for a great many settlers. There have been two men just down from the Homalco river. They have been up the Homalco forty miles in a canoe. They say there is any amount of as good land as they ever saw and easy to clear. Any one wishing for any of this good land had better come soon and have their choice. I always assist settlers in finding land free of charge. I shall be in Chilcotin this winter, but will be here in spring. Respectfully yours, B. FRANKLIN, Bute Inlet.

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BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Friday's Daily. The ship Senator arrived in Royal Roads this morning, 30 days from Yokohama. She is seeking.

Rev. Thomas Haddon lectured on Wednesday evening in the Reformed Episcopal church school room on his travels through various countries.

The officers of H. M. S. Pheasant are arranging for a ball to be given on the evening of December 8th at the naval dockyard.

The collier Costa Rica, in which new boilers have been placed by the Albion Iron Works company, goes on the marine slip on Tuesday.

In police court to-day P. Hansen was convicted of stealing a blanket and a shawl from an Indian woman and sent to jail for a month.

The bark Thermopylae, which will shortly arrive here from the Orient, has already been chartered to load lumber at Port Blakeley for Shanghai.

Inmate Plummer of the old men's home will be sent to Newcastle-on-Tyne, his native town, next Tuesday. A friend of Plummer's and the city council stand the expense.

After considerable delay a post mortem examination was held on the body of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Ridehalgh and the cause of death learned to be pneumonia. Dr. Frank Hall, acting under Coroner Hassell's instructions, made the examination. The funeral of the child occurred yesterday.

On Wednesday evening an enjoyable Thanksgiving entertainment was given in Centennial Methodist church. Ad-dresses on the resources of British Columbia were delivered by Misses Hacket, Thomas, Williams and Grant. Mrs. Clyde and Mrs. Mitin delighted the audience with their solos, while Miss Strachan gave a recitation.

John Collins and Annie Williams were married at the residence of W. Gormason, Second street, Wednesday night. Rev. Solomon Cleaver tied the mystic knot. The room was supported by Mr. J. F. Shelan, of Port Townsend, while the Misses Hannah, Segrad and Hilda Gormason supported the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Collins left for California on a wedding trip.

The dance given by the Young Men's Institute at Y. M. C. hall last night was attended by one hundred couples. The hall was profusely decorated and the floor was in good condition. The Bantley family furnished the music. The committee in charge, who deserve great credit for the success of the dance, were: M. Steele, L. Gray, Frank Heansky, Thomas Cummings and H. J. O'Leary.

The Church of the Assumption, Soan-gi-ma, is celebrating its anniversary on Christmas Eve. There were quite a number present to witness the imposing ceremonies. Father Vullings officiated at mass, and was assisted by Rev. Father Van Nevel as deacon and the Rev. Father Michaud, C. S. V., as sub-deacon. The edifice is a neat little structure and is a credit to the designer and builder, Mr. M. Lawless. The building will seat 200.

A dispatch from Port Townsend says: "The steamer Victoria, owned by the Union Pacific railroad company, now on the Columbia river, has been chartered to run on Puget sound. She is being thoroughly overhauled at Port Angeles and made in readiness to make the voyage up the coast. The identity of the charterers is withheld for the present, and it is surmised that she will be placed on the Puget sound-Victoria route. Much secrecy surrounds the project and efforts were made to keep the matter away from the newspapers."

There is more trouble at the old men's home. Inmate McFadden was in town this morning with a long tale of woe. He had been ill-treated not only by caretaker Sutherland, but even his wife and the daughter of the caretaker had called him names. This is the gist of McFadden's complaint. He told Mayor Teague that he would have to resign. When last seen by a newspaper man he was hunting for Aid. Munn, chairman of the old men's home committee. Caretaker Sutherland denies McFadden's tale, and charges that McFadden left the home without his permission. It is probable that the matter will again receive the attention of the council at this afternoon's meeting.

The St. Andrew's and Caledonian societies have celebrated St. Andrew's day (30th November) in this city for many years by a dinner, and it is conceded that of all public banquets this one is unsurpassed. As in former years, the dinner will be held in the Drriad hotel. The cuisine is in the hands of the celebrated chef in the employ of the Drriad proprietors, and everything that can be done to tempt the appetite of those attending will be done. The toast list has been judiciously prepared, and after the more substantial feast there will be a feast of reason and flow of soul. The after dinner speeches of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian society banquet are things to be remembered with pleasure for many a day. Tickets are in the hands of the officers of the society, viz., Robert Irving, J. G. Brown, J. H. Falconer, J. R. Carmichael, E. C. Smith (secretary) and many other members of the society.

On Hing, the well known Chinese merchant, is back from a year's trip to China. He spent most of the time in Canton and had every opportunity to study the condition of the country since the war began. Speaking to a Times man to-day, he said: "China will fight, and fight for a long time yet. The emperor recognizes that he must protect himself and his people. China is away behind other nations in the matter of general advance and is at a great disadvantage, but there are so many Chi-

namen to every Japanese that she can keep on fighting until there is not a Jap left. The war will do good to China, for it will bring railways and telegraph lines and other European ideas. At Canton there was no excitement, the place is so far from the seat of war. The emperor is popular with the people, but Li Hung Chang is unpopular and in disgrace. I believe China should get a lot of European soldiers to teach the Chinese to fight, and I believe they can do as well as the Japs."

Thomas Gannon, who assaulted Maynard H. Cowan at the outer wharf a week ago, failed to appear in court for sentence to-day, and is probably by this time in California. The court passed sentence in his case, however, imposing a fine of \$20 with \$4.50 costs, or two months in jail, and ordered a warrant issued for his arrest, failing to appear for the second count against him.

Robert Delgaro appeared, was given a lecture and fined \$10 and \$3.50 costs. He paid the fine and costs. The case against Mr. Haney was on motion of the prosecution, dismissed.

The investigation of the charges brought by Inspector Bushby against Contractor Walkley, City Engineer Wilmut and Assistant Engineer Parr, was resumed before the sewerage commissioners to-day. Commissioners Higgins and Pearce were present and Inspector Bushby took the stand as the last witness for his side. He admitted that the work not done according to specifications was done with the consent of the city engineer. He charged that the Sanford joints were not put in properly and would leak. He reviewed the trouble with Contractor Walkley, whom he charged with abusing and insulting him, and also told of the result of his complaints to the engineers. Contractor Walkley was present and cross-examined him. The board adjourned at the next session the defence will be heard.

The annual tea meeting of the congregation of First Presbyterian church took place on Wednesday evening, and was attended by a concert. The former took place in the school room of the church and was largely attended. The concert was in the auditorium of the club, and was presided over by Senator McManis, who was assisted by Mrs. Bell occupied the platform. The programme was as follows: Solo and chorus, "Praise the Lord," (by Barnby), Miss Russell; duet, "Shadow Faces," Misses Milne and Baker; song, "Love Sorrow," Miss Bellman; recitation, "Ye Shepherd, Tell," Messrs. Kinnaird, Fraser and J. G. Brown; song, "There is a Green Field Far Away," (Gounod), Miss Russell; recitative, "And God Made the Firmament," J. G. Brown; song, "The Creation," Mrs. Cochrane and choir; solo, "Flora Macdonald's Lament," Miss McDonald; duet, "I waited for the Lord," (from Mendelssohn's Lobgesang), Mrs. Cochrane and J. G. Brown; solo, "O Fair Dove," Miss Field; recitative, "And God Said, Let the Water," (air, Rolling and Foaming Billows," from the Creation), Mr. J. G. Brown; chorus, "Damasus," (from Nannam).

From Saturday's Daily. A new lodge of the K. of P. has been organized at Kamloops. The lodge was organized on December 21st and has been postponed until December 27th.

Pythian day (January 27) falling on a Sunday this year, the observance will probably take place the following day.

The Stevenson Canning company hold a special meeting December 21st, and will discuss affairs in connection with the sale of the cannery to the Federation company.

The Westminster Masonic Temple company has been fully incorporated with a capital of \$35,000. The trustees are J. S. Clute, sr., and Dr. W. E. De Wolf Smith of New Westminster, and Thomas McNeely, of Ladner's.

Robert Cash, a fake wrestler, who was here a few moer ago, was convicted by William Williams convicted of highway robbery at Seattle and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary by Judge Hume. Cash was sent up for sixty days here for stealing \$20.

A collection was taken up at the Reformed Episcopal church on Thanksgiving day for the Maternity Home. The services were conducted by Bishop Ordigo and were largely attended. Next Tuesday evening several of the ladies of the church will give a conversation.

Residents on Chatham street between Douglas and Government have been given to understand that a number of the women who have been ordered to leave View street intend to take up their residence on Chatham street. A petition is to be presented to the city council asking them to put a stop to the proposed change.

The Montreal & British Columbia Prospecting and Promoting company, limited, has been incorporated, its operations being chiefly in connection with the development of mines. The capital stock is \$20,000, and Messrs. J. M. Browning, F. C. Innes and S. O. Richards are the trustees. The head office will be at Vancouver.

Triumph lodge, No. 16, I. O. G. T., held their regular weekly meeting in Blue Ribbon hall, Esquimalt on Thursday evening. After the business was disposed of, which included an initiative programme of songs, readings, recitations and instrumental music by Misses Atkins and Messrs. Kirkendall, Culpin and Moody.

James Cardron, an engineer who has been on the E. & N. railway since it was built, was married on Wednesday last at Nanaimo to Miss Annie E. Ne-magie Jones and the groom by M. Fitzpatrick. Rev. Father Sabre performed the ceremony in the presence of a few intimate friends. Mr. and Mrs. Con-

dron will make Victoria their home. —Magistrate Macrae rendered his decision this morning in the case of Herbert Cuthbert, summoned under a warrant issued for his arrest to send the inmates to the new provincial home at Kamloops. The keep of the inmates in the provincial home would be less than in a separate home in the city, and the city council would not be troubled with any more unpleasant investigations.

Weights and Measures Act for selling a pair of scales without having them tested and marked by the proper authorities. He declared that the defendant was not a trader under the act and dismissed the complaint against him. Mr. Cuthbert does not deal in scales but simply got one to sell at his auction mart.

A dispatch from San Francisco says "Lumber dealers are getting short of stock and they are on a hunt for vessels to bring a supply from the northern mills. Coasting vessels are scarce and charter rates have risen 50 cents a thousand in the last three or four days. One dealer has advertised for four or five vessels to carry lumber down the coast and has so far been unable to secure the vessels required."

Peter Hansen, who was yesterday sent to jail for a month for stealing a blanket and shawl from an Indian, has a wife and family of seven children living in Victoria. There are in indigent circumstances, and if they are not assisted will starve. Mrs. MacRae is doing a great deal for them, but she cannot bear the burden alone. Hansen once held a responsible place with the E. & N. railway, but was laid off to drink and it proved his downfall.

At the Badminton club from four to six o'clock this afternoon there will be an At Home to the wives and families of the members. It was arranged largely at the request of the ladies an opportunity to see the club quarters in the Vernon building. J. N. Finn's orchestra will be present and there will be tea and refreshments for the ladies. The affair is not a general one, and was got up to give the families of the members the opportunity pointed out above. The ladies will no doubt be charmed with the club, for its furnishings are sumptuous.

The members of the James Bay Athletic Association are arranging for a grand concert which will be held in the large gymnasium of their club house on Wednesday, Dec. 12. This concert was to have been given during the present season, but was postponed to so many counter attractions and in order not to interfere with them it was decided to postpone it until the date above mentioned. A most excellent program of music and songs, and an enterprising spirit which has always pervaded the club it will no doubt prove a financial success.

The sewerage commissioners were all present this morning when the investigation of the charges brought by Inspector Bushby were resumed. The defence opened their case, and those examined were Mr. Bushby himself, City Engineer Wilmut, Assistant Parr and Messrs. Burnes, Pope and McKay. A number of technical matters as to joints and the question of whether the pipes laid leaked or not, and the matter of using tar and rosin or axle grease on joints were gone into. Mr. Bushby in his evidence, in answer to a question from Mr. Walkley, said he did not believe any of the pipes were leaking now. City Engineer Wilmut was instructed to make an examination of the pipes to ascertain if they are leaking. The investigation will be resumed next week.

Constable John Smith has been charged by Maynard H. Cowan with neglect of duty in failing to protect him when he was assaulted at the outer wharf a week ago last Wednesday by Thomas Gannon and others. The charges have been filed with the police commissioners, and there will very likely be an investigation. A copy of the charges were served on Mr. Smith yesterday, and there will be nothing done until he makes his reply. The latter will be made to Chief Shepherd who will himself make a report to the commissioners. It will then be decided whether an investigation will be necessary or not. In the event of the case being gone into the evidence offered by the complainant will be much the same as that given in police court.

Alaska has been made a prefecture apostolice, with the Rev. Father Tosi, S. J., as first incumbent of that office. Bishop Lemmens' jurisdiction in matters ecclesiastical pertaining to the Roman Catholic church is now confined to Vancouver island. Official notification of this change has just been received at the episcopal residence here. The question has been before the sacred college of the Candler at Rome for several months. Father Tosi's headquarters are at Cosio-neschi, on the Tyber, as the papal brief dividing the diocese of Vancouver island and Alaska does not stipulate any boundaries. It is thought that perhaps the southern portion of Alaska, and especially the narrow strip of Alaska territory along the sea coast, may still continue under the jurisdiction of Bishop Lemmens. This matter will be settled by Bishop Lemmens and the new prefect apostolic, Father Tosi, with the approval of Rome. A prefect apostolic ranks lower in the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic church than a bishop. He possesses powers of jurisdiction the same as a bishop and can appoint priests, but he cannot ordain the case being gone into consecrated. Nor does he receive the crozier, cross and ring, the insignia of the episcopate.

Ching Chong, Chinese-man. Think he heekee 'it' Japan. Jap he choppye Ching Chong Little bit—So long! Ding-dong.

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How to Regain Health and Strength When Run Down by Overwork, Worry or Disease.

In this age of rapid living, thousands of men are broken down in health and spirit as the result of overwork and mental worry. To all such Dr. Williams' Pink Pills offer a speedy and un-failing cure. They invigorate the blood, restore the nerves, giving the sufferer a new lease of life and energy. Mr. A. N. Eisan, of Ship Harbor, N. S., gives his experience for the benefit of such sufferers. He says:—"I cannot speak too highly of the value of your Pink Pills. Before I began using them it is no exaggeration to say I was a total wreck. I suffered from nervous debility and had tried many remedies without getting relief. Indeed, I was often worse after taking some of these remedies than before I began. When I commenced using Pink Pills I weighed about 140 pounds, while now after their use I weigh 176 pounds, and never felt better in my life. My wife has also used Pink Pills for kidney trouble and has derived great help from them. I cheerfully give you my testimonial in the hope that what I say may be of benefit to some other sufferer in inducing him to try your wonderful remedy." Beware of imitations and substitutes. The genuine Pink Pills are not sold in any form except in the boxes bearing the company's trade mark. Anything said to be "just the same" or "just as good" is a fraud.

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FROM NEW WESTMINSTER. Sentence of the Indian Pirates—The Missing Stenographer.

New Westminster, Nov. 23.—R. Burton, the missing supreme court stenographer, has been traced as far as Portland, but where he went from there cannot be learned. The cause of his sudden departure is more mysterious than ever, as he had more money due him than his debts amounted to.

The ship Senta, salmon laden for Liverpool, was towed to sea yesterday by the tug Mogul.

The Westminster Wanderers beat Vancouver here yesterday in the Rugby football match by one goal and two tries to nil. The Wanderers leave to-morrow morning for the capital to play Victoria.

The piracy trial was concluded on Wednesday evening, fifteen of the twenty-one Indians being acquitted. Sentence was passed on the remaining six this morning by Justice McCreight as follows: Boss Johnny, Fish and Joseph, 18 months; Dan, Jim and Jack, 12 months. Had they been white men the judge said he would have sent them up for life.

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THE PASSING OF PROTECTION.

It is impossible to avoid seeing in the events of the day distinct indications of the approaching collapse of protection, and it is very instructive to observe how characteristic and uniform are its bearings upon the nations which have been inveigled into adopting it.

Even Canada does not appear to be enjoying the blessings of protection to a degree likely to excite jealousy.

On the other hand, we see the foreign trade of free trade England steadily expanding, and during the period that the United States exports and imports declined \$139,254,890.

British statesmen recognize the economic truth that in order to be able to furnish foreign countries with British products they must open British ports and receive foreign goods in return.

THE ORIENTAL CONTEST.

Men who had an intimate knowledge of both countries predicted at the opening of the war that Japan would "whip" China with comparative ease.

Jack (rapturously)—Now, darling, will you please name the happy day? Minnie (blushingly)—Three weeks from Thursday, Jack.

Norah, the kitchen maid (through the keyhole)—Av you please, miss, that's me regular day out. Yell have to get married in the early part av the wake."

neath, and so on down to the humble taxpayer. But if Japan presumes very greatly on the inability of her antagonist to pick up energy for reform and courage for battle she might find herself making a mistake.

MINISTER TUPPER'S VISIT.

It is announced that Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper will leave Ottawa next Saturday for a trip to this province, his visit here to extend over five or six days.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Liberal candidate was elected in London by a majority of 800, and not 85, as was reported by wire.

Says the Canada Presbyterian:—"Thanksgiving Days to the number of twenty-seven have passed since Canada undertook the work of building a nation on British models.

Montreal Herald:—"Tupper has been leaving the High Commissioner's office to look after itself, and has been manufacturing campaign arguments for the Conservative party in Great Britain.

London, Nov. 26.—The czar has been appointed honorary colonel of the Scots Greys regiment. The queen will give a banquet at Windsor this evening in honor of the marriages of her granddaughter Princess Alix to the emperor of Russia.

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TO IMPROVE THE CITY

A Large Number of Ratepayers Form an Organization for That Purpose.

A Long List of Civic Grievances Discussed at the Meeting Last Night.

The Victoria Civic Improvement Association is now an organized body, and on the list of members are included professional men, business men, mechanics and laborers.

The meeting was then declared open to order shortly after 8, and Secretary Barrett read the minutes of a previous meeting and also a draft of a proposed constitution and objects of the association.

Senator Macdonald thought the constitution should be read clause by clause. Chairman Renouf said the constitution had been published in the papers.

Mr. Redfern thought an association should be formed before any constitution be framed. To do otherwise was to place the cart before the horse.

Mr. Belyea wanted information from the promoters. Mr. Templeman replied that the object of the association would be to introduce municipal reform.

Mr. Cuthbert advocated that there be no paid members of the council. W. G. Cameron wanted general representatives instead of by wards.

Mr. Cohen would like the idea of proportional representation introduced in the association in the election of officers. Mr. Belyea said the hen was off the nest again.

Mr. Cuthbert said the speakers had all got astray and he would lead them back again to the main track by moving that no compensation be given aldermen.

Mr. Snyder asked that the aldermen present give their opinion on these questions. Mr. Robertson thought the association should take into consideration all by-laws.

Mr. McMillan did not believe in the councillors giving their services for nothing. In England they were talking of paying members of parliament and city councillors. Not to pay members was to introduce plutocracy government in municipal affairs.

Mr. Cuthbert replied that the reports were true. Richard Roper wanted to ask a question of "chair and sit down."

Mr. Templeman urged that Mr. Roper be allowed to ask the question. Mr. Roper said that men who were paid would do their duty; men could not be expected to work for nothing.

Mr. Redfern moved that when 100 members had signed the constitution a meeting be called for the election of officers. Mr. Falconer wanted to know why officers could not be elected at once.

Mr. Cuthbert thought that it was not desirable that the meeting elect officers; others should be given a chance. The motion of Mr. Redfern was carried, and the meeting was at an end.

It was decided to have rolls of the association open in the Times and Colonist offices. Col. Prior wanted the next meeting held in the city hall.

Mr. Alex Wilson favored the idea; he wanted the next mayor of Victoria elected as chairman of the association. The objects of the association are as follows:

(a) For the completion of the sewerage system. (b) For the paving of all business streets and leading thoroughfares.

(c) For the improvement of the water service. (d) For efficient street lighting and the proper regulation of electric wiring.

(e) For the maintenance of clean streets, free from unnecessary obstructions or disfigurements. (f) For the improvement of the general sanitary arrangement of the city.

(g) For the enforcement of existing by-laws and the amendment of those that are now defective.

There was a special meeting this morning of the council of the board of trade and the members of the council present were C. E. Renouf, T. S. Fletcher, Robert Ward, H. E. Cannon and Gus Leiser.

A letter was read from Frank B. Gregory, who was also present, in regard to the much discussed opium resolution. Mr. Gregory wrote that he believed the action of the board to have been rather hasty.

Secretary Lewis, of the Fraser Valley Railway committee, presented a letter containing some general information as to the needs of the valley for the future.

The president called attention to the inadequate fire protection in the city, and instanced the recent experience of Winnipeg. He believed action should be taken at once.

The chairman brought up the matter of telegraph tolls, and said the C. P. R. company was charging day rates for where a telegram was filed one evening, but as the wires were down it was not sent until the next day, but day rates were charged.

Lord Ripon, collected to-day a department of commerce known as the Copyright Association. Robert Ward addressed the board and called attention to the ratification of the commercial treaty between Great Britain and Japan.

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Women Protest Against Patronizing Establishments Which Overwork Women.

Comments on the Armenian Massacre - Amsterdam Bakers Out on Strike.

London, Nov. 27.—Delegates from nearly 50 women's societies in different parts of the country assembled yesterday in national convention at the Holborn town hall in response to a call issued by the Women's Trade Union Association for the purpose of considering the feasibility of a federation on the lines of the Men's Trade Congress of this country and the American Federation of Labor. Miss Frances Hicks, who delivered the opening address, criticized the well-meaning and benevolent women who were wasting energy in endeavoring to place female labor into channels already overflowing while continuing to patronize high-toned stores in which gross scandals and hardships, as well as open defiance of the law were permitted. She scored the so-called philanthropic ladies who patronized the milliners and dry goods shops and bought their bonnets and mantles from jaded girls in their teens and who were compelled to stand on their feet from twelve to fifteen hours a day not daring to protest as the result would be their dismissal to the street at an hour's notice.

A committee appointed yesterday to draw up a programme reported this morning on the basis upon which such federation should be organized and it was unanimously adopted. This basis is as follows: A central council, composed of representatives of various societies, and possibly of individuals possessing special experience. A finance committee, to obtain funds for work approved for the central council; to inspect accounts periodically and to report. An investigation committee, to obtain and schedule information concerning conditions of women's employment. Among the subjects which this committee might investigate are: women's and children's employment in shops, in season trades, in unhealthy trades, in trades where women compete with men, the sanitation of workshops, etc. An educational committee, to arrange debates, discussions and lectures to working women's clubs and societies; and to draft leaflets and pamphlets embodying information on special legal and industrial points. A statistical committee, to collect and tabulate information already existing in government blue books, foreign publications and the local press. An organization committee, to assist and promote trade organizations, technical and other classes, social clubs, etc. A parliamentary and legal committee, to watch parliamentary proceedings, to note special and test cases in the law courts, and to promote such legislative action as the central council may consider desirable. This committee should also take an active part in the election of women to various public bodies, and in securing their appointment to public bodies. An executive committee was appointed to perfect the legal details connected with the incorporation of the new federation under the laws relating thereto.

Lord Ripon, colonial secretary, received today a deputation from the chamber of commerce and the allied sections known as the Society of Authors, the Copyright Association and the Print Sellers' Association. Lord Ripon said he intended to discuss the matter fully with Sir John Thompson, the Canadian premier, at the first opportunity, but was anxious to learn first the opinion of such bodies as he had the honor to be receiving. The desires of one of the great colonies were entitled to his most serious consideration.

If the house of magnates rejects the religious liberty bill again the Hungarian cabinet will probably resign. In religious circles it is regarded as much more pernicious than their civil marriage bill. Repeated earthquakes shocked Reggia and Messina, Italy, to-day. The terror of the inhabitants increases. Many families are destitute of shelter and have only the clothes on their backs. Relief committees are organizing rapidly, and a special relief bill is in preparation for parliament. Since yesterday morning the journey-bakers of Amsterdam have been out on strike. Bread has been scarce and the master bakers have sold it today only under police protection. Forty master bakers yielded to-night, but the rest refuse to treat with the men.

The Daily Telegraph will mention tomorrow the rumors that more gold will be shipped to New York on account of the treasury loan and that the Bank of England directors have decided to invest a large sum in subscriptions. A Russian 3-1/2 per cent. loan of twenty million pounds will be launched here and in other capitals shortly. The Daily Chronicle's St. Petersburg correspondent says: "There was no banquet owing to the mourning. The absence of decorations was greatly remarked as something unprecedented. There were no illuminations. The amnesty manifesto is extremely long and breathes benevolence in every line. It is the greatest amnesty accorded in half a century and is a fitting accompaniment of the royal wedding."

The escort with the French residents of Antananarivo, Madagascar, arrived at Majunga on November 21, without having lost a man. A Berlin dispatch to the Times says the semi-official North German Gazette states that the anti-revolutionary bills, which were referred yesterday by the Bundesrath to a committee will probably have precedence over all other bills in the reichstag.

In every division except one the progressives headed the poll for the new school board. The total progressive vote was 768,206, the total clerical vote

612,622. The Rev. Joseph R. Diggle, president of the retiring board, and Atholstan Riley, clerical champions, were returned. Mr. Riley had the lowest vote of all the candidates returned from his division.

Canadian residents interested in the cattle trade criticize severely the letter received by Sir John Long from Rt. Hon. Herbert Gardner, president of the board of agriculture, and published yesterday evening. They say Mr. Gardner merely exposes the weakness of his position, and asks how Canada can watch and report cases of pleuro-pneumonia when none such can be found in the Dominion. The board of agriculture is well aware, they contend, that the strictest enquiries in Canada as to the Mongolian and other reported cases failed to give grounds for suspicion. It is understood that Sir Charles Tupper, the Canadian high commissioner, is preparing a reply to Mr. Gardner. The Armenian Catholics have written to the London Society of Friends commending the efforts of the Armenian colonies in Europe to expose the wretchedness of the Christians in Armenia.

In a leader on the eastern Armenian outrages the Daily News will say tomorrow: "The foreign office needs some spitting in the matter of the Armenian massacres. Under the Berlin treaty the responsibility for the delay of the reforms in Armenia lies at our own door. The government ought to insist upon them or at least should tell the Sublime Porte that the harranging of the Armenians must end."

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.

Suicide of a Swindling Bank Teller in New York.

New York, Nov. 26.—The paying teller of the National Shoe and Leather bank to-day positively identified the alleged suicide Baker as the man who acted in collusion with Bookkeeper Seely in robbing the bank. He declared that he had known Baker for eight years and during that time had cashed cheques presented by the dead man as often as three times a week. The bank was opened for business to-day as usual. There is not the slightest sign of a run on the institution. Matters are going on in the usual routine. Nothing has been heard from the absconding bookkeeper Seely. It is learned that as far back as fifteen years ago Lawyer Baker, implicated in the National Shoe and Leather bank robbery, began his speculations and his stealings from a number of estates of which he was executor, and which will aggregate a sum far above that taken from the bank. Persons who trusted him are alleging this morning that he appropriated large sums of money belonging to them. His own books will be the only means of showing the amount of his stealings. They are in the custody of his son Frederick. It is believed the money he took from the bank went to pay the heirs of those estates whose funds he had misappropriated. One man named Kagel discovered yesterday that Baker had transferred fifteen years ago sixty-five shares of the Chatham National bank, which was part of the estate of Kagel's father, and during all these years he had been paying the Kagel heirs the dividends thereon. According to the story of the counsel for the absconding bookkeeper Seely, Baker at one time overdid his account at the National Shoe and Leather bank and prevailed upon Seely to keep the matter quiet, and from that time on had him in his power. It is stated that the New York agent of the Connecticut Indemnity Life Insurance Company, of Waterbury, Conn., wrote a ten thousand dollar policy for Frederick Baker last Monday. Baker objected to the suicide clause. Baker had two policies amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars on his life in favor of his wife.

MARRIED, NOT MATED.

The Queer Story Told by an Applicant for Divorce.

New York, Nov. 27.—The marriage of Miss Frances E. Barcle to Mr. E. M. Schuester, in Brooklyn on June 30th, 1890, had some peculiarly novel features. The bride was not quite fifteen years of age at the time, and according to her sworn statement before Justice Wm. J. Gaynor of the supreme court, to whom she has applied for divorce, had never for a moment contemplated such a thing as matrimony with Mr. Schuester. It seems that Miss Nellie Noole and John Barton had arranged to get married and were accompanied to the house of Rev. Mr. Wilson in Cedar street, by Miss Barcle and Mr. Schuester in the capacity of bridesmaid and best man respectively. Miss Barcle and Mr. Schuester stood up at one side of the real bride and groom while the ceremony was in progress. Miss Barcle signed some paper which was handed to her by the minister, and when she was going away he rolled up a paper and handed it to her. She supposed it had some bearing on the marriage of Miss Noole and Mr. Barton, and was surprised greatly soon afterwards when she found it was a certificate of her own alleged marriage with Mr. Schuester. "It was a double wedding," the young woman explained to Justice Gaynor, "although I did not know it at the time Mr. Schuester went as I understood, to stand as witness to the marriage of Nellie Noole and John Barton, afterwards I was told that I had been married at the same time, but I never dreamed of such a thing. I never lived with Mr. Schuester and he never contributed a cent toward my support." Justice Gaynor adjourned the hearing for a further testimony. Three weeks ago young Schuester disappeared.

Trivet—Young Spudds takes Miss Munn's refusal very much to heart. "Dicer—Well, it's a very serious matter with him. He'll have to try to earn his own living now."

DEATH OF PRINCESS BISMARCK

The Aged Wife of the Great German Chancellor Dead—Earthquakes.

French-Canadian Treaty Ratified by French Chamber of Deputies.

Rome, Nov. 27.—Violent shocks of earthquake were felt at Brescia this morning. Shocks were also felt at Bologna and Verona.

A dispatch from Varzin announces the death of Princess Bismarck, who died at 5 o'clock this morning. Prince Bismarck is completely stricken down by the death of his wife. Bismarck today apprised the Emperor of his affliction, and the latter sent him a long message of sympathy. Princess Bismarck will probably be buried at Schonhausen.

A London dispatch says advices from Gibraltar say that the British ship Southern Cross lost two of her crew in the gale which recently swept the Atlantic. A dispatch from London states: The dead body of a woman of the town was found in the street in Kensington at midnight last night. She had been stabbed in the neck, but no indication of "Ripperism" was observable in connection with the murder.

A dispatch from Paris announces that the Chamber of Deputies to-day voted to adopt the proposed commercial arrangement with Canada. A Tokyo dispatch says: The Japanese will next land troops to the eastward of Weihaiwei, attacking that place from the rear and afterwards marching to Peking.

A dispatch from Madrid announces that a decree has been issued abolishing public executions. The Cologne Gazette publishes a dispatch from Kiel stating that the Brazilian government has ordered the construction of four cruisers to be built in German dock yards.

THE SEAL FISHERY.

Minister Tupper Discredits the Close Season Rumor.

New York, Nov. 27.—A special to the World from Ottawa says: "Sir Chas. Tupper, minister of marine and fisheries, who was Canada's agent at the Paris arbitration, discredits the report that the United States entertained the idea of the seal fishery. He said that he had no objection to the seal fishery, but that the United States would have suffered far less than they are likely to do under the present regulations. We saw the danger of what the close season would be. We said that if the States would give our sealers a good summer's work we would agree to prohibit sealing during the winter and spring months when the seals are gravid, and when the great damage is done by slaughtering the pups. His treaty with China, according to the story of the counsel for the absconding bookkeeper Seely, Baker at one time overdid his account at the National Shoe and Leather bank and prevailed upon Seely to keep the matter quiet, and from that time on had him in his power. It is stated that the New York agent of the Connecticut Indemnity Life Insurance Company, of Waterbury, Conn., wrote a ten thousand dollar policy for Frederick Baker last Monday. Baker objected to the suicide clause. Baker had two policies amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars on his life in favor of his wife."

THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

The Agitation to Restore Queen Lil Somewhat Formidable.

San Francisco, Nov. 27.—Latest Honolulu dispatches per Oceanic to-day, referring to the alleged conspiracy to restore Queen Lil, say the government possess evidence to prove that it is somewhat formidable, but not enough to justify arrests. No danger of any actual outbreak is now apprehended. It is not believed possible that any hostile expedition can or will be procured at San Francisco to aid the royalists. Any such force abroad would not doubt be summarily dealt with by any American warship in port. What the British warship Hyacinth would do is not clear. It is believed she was detained from her intended cruise to the South Pacific by the apprehension of trouble here. The United States ship Yorktown arrived yesterday in less than eight days from San Francisco. She is expected to sail for Corea on the 22nd. It is hoped that the Bennington may arrive soon to give a sense of protection. Since his return the president has received the British and French commissioners, who presented recognitions of this republic by their respective governments, and received their exequators.

SALES OF SEALSKINS

Take Place in London on Thursday and Friday.

The great fall sales of sealskins in London will take place on Thursday and Friday of this week. Lamson & Co., Culverwell, Brooks & Co., and the Hudson's Bay company will all offer all of their holdings in the usual way. Arrangements have been made by R. P. Rithet & Co. for advices early on Thursday afternoon as to the prices realized at that day's sale. There is a little better feeling now than there was sixty or ninety days ago, but owners are feeling by no means secure. A London estimate says prices will run from \$8 to 12 per skin. The former would mean a loss and the latter a very fair profit. The owners will be satisfied with a narrow margin of profit, and many will be thankful if they get it. They have made

very few arrangements for next season yet, pending the result of the sales. There will very likely be more Indians out this year than last, and therefore many more than ever before. One owner stated yesterday that he did not believe in giving the work to the Indians, and proposed taking whites if he could get them at a reasonable advance over the wages asked by Indians.

SEVERAL FIREMEN INJURED.

Disastrous Blaze in a Chicago Lumber Yard Last Night.

Chicago, Nov. 24.—Seven firemen were injured here in a lumber yard fire last evening. Frank Campion, son of the fire marshal, had his right leg broken; John Hannan, a pipefitter, had his right leg broken and received a severe wound in the back of his head, and five other firemen were cut and bruised but not seriously hurt. The men were buried under a mass of burning lumber, which fell upon them. It was very promptly worked which rescued them alive. The fire was in the lumber of John O'Brien, on Throop and Lumber streets, and the damage to lumber and shingles is estimated at \$20,000. The river boat Yosemite caught on fire but was not badly damaged. The river was filled with burning timbers. Eighteen engines were working on the fire and the fire had hard work getting it under control.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

Japanese Army Under Yamagata Continues Invasion of Manchuria.

San Francisco, Nov. 27.—Correspondence of the United Press per steamer Oceanic says: Fenghuang was captured by the Japanese on the 25th of October. Counting the spoils of the campaign of Yalu, they found 55 cannon, 15,000 stand of rifles, 2000 rounds of field gun ammunition, 2,500,000 rounds of small arm ammunition, 300 tents and a large amount of stores of grain and provisions. Their total casualties had been one officer and 15 men killed, one soldier drowned and four officers and 27 men wounded. The Chinese had left 300 dead and 7 wounded upon the field, but contrived to carry off the rest of the wounded. From the morning when the column of the Saito brigade crossed the Yalu until the occupation of Fenghuang, only five days elapsed, but that brief period sufficed to shatter the Chinese defence in Manchuria. No serious obstacle, except, perhaps, winter, now seems to lie between Count Yamagata's army and Moukden. The first Japanese army under Field Marshal Yamagata continues the invasion of Manchuria. It's last capture was Fenghuang, a walled town of 100,000 inhabitants 35 miles north of the Yalu river. Fenghuang had the reputation of being one of the most important as well as one of the most defensible positions of Manchuria. Rumor said that the Chinese generals had massed there 200,000 to 300,000 men, the flower of a regular army, and that they were well equipped and that their defence was not unlikely to lack unanimity. Field Marshal Yamagata did not give them much time to settle their defenses. His troops entered the town on the morning of the 26th of October, and in the afternoon a column set out in pursuit of the fleeing Chinese along the road leading west to Moukden. By the evening of the 27th this column had covered 85 miles and was conducting a reconnaissance within cannon-range of Fenghuang. The Chinese did not wait to be scrutinized closely. They set fire to the town and then executed their favorite manoeuvre of decamping during the night.

London, Nov. 27.—A Shanghai dispatch says that the viceroys Li Hung Chang has been deprived by the Emperor of all his honors, but he is permitted, however, to retain his public functions. It is predicted that war would exercise a crippling influence on the foreign trade of Japan. The trade for eight months of the year aggregated 147,000,000 yen against 111,000,000 for the corresponding period of last year. According to the present indications, the total trade for the year will exceed that of any previous year by 30,000,000 yen.

Whenever the Chinese have placed between themselves and the invaders of their country intervals sufficient to temporarily postpone fighting, they set to work to administer good thrashing to the Japanese by telegraph. These stories are flashed across the wires to New York and London, receiving perennial belief. Nothing is more than their credulous audience. Even after the Japs had taken Chailien and Fenghuang, Europe was being told of their repeated repulses on the banks of Yalu, and the Detroit Asphalt Company, which said he would receive \$5000 if he continued to vote right. That letter caused Verral to vote the wrong way. He had sent a letter addressed to another alderman, the name of whom he gave to the judge. Several witnesses when wanted this morning could not be found.

CANADA-FRANCO TREATY.

Discussed at Length in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Paris, Nov. 27.—The opponents of the Canadian commercial arrangement called attention to the advantage accorded Canadian timber and apples and how hurtful these advantages were to the producers of Northern France. They contended that Canada's concession did not compensate for the injury done to the northern part of the republic. M. Berger replied that the Canadian convention would export French wines and general French products which could go to the Orient by way of the new direct lines of steamers from France to Canada. Foreign Minister Hanotaux contended that the convention will be advantageous to French commerce. "This is the first time," he said, "that Canada had concluded a treaty by virtue of the powers recently concluded to the Dominion by the imperial government, and recollecting her origin, Canada had decided to conclude the first treaty with France." M. Hemon said "the treaty would be harmful to the agriculturalists of Western France."

CANADIAN DISPATCHES.

Major Jarvis of the N. W. Mounted Police Dies at Calgary Yesterday.

The Drocher Ballot System is Sold to the Dominion Government.

Toronto, Nov. 27.—The Canadian Printer and Publisher states that some important changes are taking place in the affairs of the Toronto Empire. The ownership of the paper is passing from the hands of about six hundred and odd shareholders into a financially strong syndicate composed of Senator Sanford, W. R. Brock, Lieut.-Col. John I. Davidson, Sir Frank South, Thomas Long and Warring Kennedy of Toronto; R. A. Lucas, of Hamilton; A. F. Gault and D. Morrice, Montreal; Captain Murray, St. Catharines, and other prominent Conservatives. As they are taking over the unpaid stock and paying up the balance of the calls, the syndicate came to an understanding with Sir John Thompson and other members of the government, who are paying up and transferring their own stock and using their influence to get the other shareholders to do the same. Creighton, the managing director, will be given a freer hand than in the past. William Luce and his alleged wife were committed by the magistrate on a charge of manslaughter in causing the death of a child left at their baby farm. Calgary, Nov. 27.—Major Jarvis of the mounted police, died here yesterday morning. Kingston, Nov. 27.—Rev. Dr. Jackson, of the First Congregational church, announced his resignation to the congregation last evening. He has accepted a call to a new English church. His most intimate friends were not aware that he had any intention of leaving the city, therefore his resignation causes great surprise. Essex, Ont., Nov. 27.—The house occupied by Captain Scott and Lieut. Mitchell, of the Salvation Army, was entered by burglars last night while the officers were at the barracks. All the young ladies' clothes were stolen and a number of other articles. Goderich, Ont., Nov. 27.—A large and influential meeting of Patrons of West Huron was held at Carleton on Saturday to select a candidate to represent them at the next election for the Dominion house. David Forrester of Clinton was chosen.

Montreal, Nov. 27.—The city council has adopted the election ballot system invented by Mayor Drocher of Ottawa—the right to which he has sold to the Dominion government for \$7000. Chatham, Nov. 27.—Charles Bevin, farmer, was held up by footpads on the night of September 22nd and robbed of all his money. Immediately after being robbed he came back to Chatham and bought a revolver, vowing to shoot the first man he met on the road who stopped him. The first man to do so was William Ellerbeck, a young farmer, a neighbor, who wanted a ride. It was dark at the time, and Bevin fired, hitting Ellerbeck in the leg. The identity of the man who did the shooting was unknown until today, when Bevin was arrested on the charge. Ellerbeck has since had to have his leg amputated.

Kingston, Nov. 27.—At a working-men's meeting Principal Grant made a short address. He said that he advocated principles of righteousness, which would win in the end. The state was being despoiled by the manager of enterprises. The Intercolonial railway was the only railway owned by the government and it had run half or three-quarters of a million behind. It was the same with the Galop Canal, the Curran bridge and everything else the government had a finger in.

Toronto, Nov. 27.—At the huddle enquiry to-day Goldie and McCullough, of Gall, testified to having thought of tending for the street railway engines. They saw Heyrett, who said he had some influence. No commission was mentioned and the company did not tender. J. V. Verral said he remembered being in the headquarters saloon one night and seeing Guelich, Shields and Harry Piper. No bribe of \$15,000 was ever mentioned to him. Piper afterwards asked him how he intended to get from the Detroit Asphalt Company, from the Detroit Asphalt Company, which said he would receive \$5000 if he continued to vote right. That letter caused Verral to vote the wrong way. He had sent a letter addressed to another alderman, the name of whom he gave to the judge. Several witnesses when wanted this morning could not be found.

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—Canada has declined to take part in the Atlanta exhibition officially. Ex-Alderman Borthwick is a candidate for the Ottawa mayoralty. Montreal, Nov. 27.—The civic hospital for contagious diseases will be opened to-morrow and diphtheria patients will be treated by the serum method. Lord Aberdeen, accompanied by his A. D. C. Major Erskine, will leave for New York to-morrow night to attend the St. Andrew's festivities there.

Oakville, Man., Nov. 27.—A young Englishman by the name of Fred Standon, was killed yesterday at 5:30 by the falling of a tree on his head. He has no relatives in this country. Yorktown, N. W. T., Nov. 27.—H. W. A. Mullins, of Toronto, has just bought and shipped ten carloads of prime beef cattle for the Christmas trade in the east. They have been unanimously conceded to be the finest cattle in the district and are creditable alike to the stock men and the country. This will likely be the last large shipment this year. Yorktown is coming to the front as a good stock-raising country, comparing favorably with Calgary and the west.

and the amendment of those now defective for the improvement of parks and recreation grounds. The amendment of the existing system. The view to effecting these reforms is to consult with, advise and assist the mayor and council for the time and generally to encourage and every proposition having for its object the betterment of the city along the lines here indicated."

BOARD OF TRADE.

Transacted at a Council Meeting To-day.

was a special meeting this morning of the council of the board of trade. Mr. Flumerfelt was in the chair. The members of the council present were E. Renouf, T. S. Fitcher, Robert H. E. Connors and Gus Lett. Secretary Elworthy was at his desk. Several members of the board were present as spectators. A letter was read from Frank B. Gregory, also present, in regard to the proposed opium resolution. Mr. Flumerfelt wrote that he believed the action of the board to have been rather ill-considered. He expressed his regret that he had not been able to attend the meeting. He stated that he had written a letter to the board to the effect that he would not support the resolution. He stated that he had written a letter to the board to the effect that he would not support the resolution. He stated that he had written a letter to the board to the effect that he would not support the resolution.

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THE GREAT BLUNDER.

City councils are undoubtedly given to blundering, more or less, and it would have been strange if the new electric works had been built without some errors of greater or less importance being committed.

A WARNING.

Let common ordinary people beware what they say about the condition of this country. The man who says aught condemnatory of the Tory administration is already accused as an "irresponsible scribbler," a "scandalous howler" for the most part finds it difficult to get one dollar to rub against another.

NANAIMO. Nanaimo, Nov. 27.—Rev. R. R. Meitland's addresses to the workmen on the labor questions in the Y. M. C. A. rooms every Sunday afternoon should be well attended.

John Mason, the Victoria crescent sprinter, has another race on hand. So far he has been victorious in all his matches, but it is feared he will suffer defeat this time.

Mr. Butterfield, of Windsor, Ont., the well known Canadian poultry judge, will be asked to judge the exhibits at the poultry show to be held here in January next.

Mr. Raper, who lately arrived from Texas, where he has been prospecting for some weeks past, brought down some very fair specimens of quartz carrying free gold.

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importance. Without a road the business of this rich mineral locality will most likely drift away from this district.

Nanaimo, Nov. 28.—The assizes opened here yesterday morning with very little interest. The grand jury returned true bills in the following indictments: Regina vs. Webster and Wilson, Regina vs. Brown, and Regina vs. McKinnon.

Judge Crease in summing up charged strongly for a verdict of aggravated assault. The jury were out for about four hours and when called into court the foreman unwittingly stated that they were seven for and six against.

Pedestrians along Victoria Crescent were somewhat startled yesterday morning by observing a woman running along the street clad only in her night dress.

Chief McKinnon has resigned his position and the council are now calling for applications for the position.

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Several members of the Newburgh, N. Y. club, and in case of an inundation such as we have had, and which came entirely without warning, preparations could be made whereby much of the loss suffered would be avoided.

Governor Hogg, of Texas, to-day pardoned B. A. Krebs and James Preston, who served eighteen years for a crime that it is believed they did not commit.

The crew of the four-masted schooner Annie L. Pardee of New Haven, consisting of twelve persons, were rescued to-day.

New Westminster, Nov. 28.—Miss Johanna Nelsom, a young Swedish woman of 24 years, was drowned at the government wharf Sunday night shortly after 8 o'clock while going aboard the steamer Samson with her mother and two sisters.

Seventy-five lots have been sold for taxes in this city, the amount realized being \$644.

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ANGLO-RUSSIAN ALLIANCE.

Negotiations Relate Solely to the Delimitation of the Afghan Frontier.

Berlin, Nov. 27.—The emperor has caused Prince Hohenzollern to let Prince Bismarck know that his presence would be very welcome to the inauguration of the new reichstag building on December 5.

Dispatches from St. Petersburg ridicule the report of an Anglo-Russian alliance on the basis of the free passage of the straits, mutual action in the far east, etc.

The German government has the best reason to know that the relations between Germany and Russia are growing more friendly than ever.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

News Received by Wire From All Parts of the World.

A Rhode Island Republican sent President Cleveland a twenty-five pound turkey for his Thanksgiving dinner.

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If You Need Strength TAKE JOHNSTON'S FLUID BEEF It Strengthens Wm. Harkness, F.C.S., Analytical Chemist to British Government says: "It is one of the most perfect foods I have ever examined."

FRASER RIVER FLOODS.

Papers Relating to Protection From Overflow Presented to the Legislature.

Report of Executive Council and Reply From the Dominion Government.

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Harper's Magazine IN 1895. The Stimpertons, a new novel by Thomas Hardy, will be begun in the December number, 1894, and continued in November, 1895. Whoever may be one's favorite among the English novelists, it will be conceded by all that Thomas Hardy stands foremost as a master artist in fiction, and the Stimpertons may be expected to arouse enthusiasm not inferior in degree to that which has marked 'Tribal'—the most successful story of the year. Another leading feature will be the Personal Recollections of Jean de Arc, by the Sieur Louis de Guise, her page and secretary, under which guise the most popular of living American magazine writers will present the story of the Maid of Orleans. In the January number will appear a profusely illustrated paper on Charleston and the Carolinas, the first of a series of southern papers. Northern Africa is attracting more attention than at any other time since it was the seat of empire. The next volume of HARPER'S MAGAZINE will contain four illustrated articles on this region, and three of them will depict the present life there. Julian Ralph will prepare the life there, a series of eight stories, depicting typical phases of Chinese Life and Manners. Besides the long stories, there will begin in the January number the first chapters of A Three-Part Novellette, by Richard Harding Davis—the longest work yet attempted by this writer. Complete short stories by popular writers will continue to be a feature of the MAGAZINE. Send for Illustrated Prospectus. The Volumes of the MAGAZINE begin with the numbers for June and December of each year. When no time is mentioned, subscriptions will begin with the number current at the time of receipt of order. Cloth cases, for binding, 50 cents each by mail, postpaid. Title-page and Index sent on application. Remittances should be made by Postoffice Money Order or Draft, to avoid chance of loss. Newspapers are not to copy this advertisement without the express order of Harper & Brothers. HARPER'S PERIODICALS. Harper's Magazine, one year, \$4.00 Harper's Weekly, " " 4.00 Harper's Bazaar, " " 4.00 Harper's Young People, " " 4.00 Postage free to all subscribers in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. Address HARPER BROTHERS, P. O. Box 959, N. Y. City.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News.

From Monday's Daily. The officers of H. M. S. Phasant will give a ball on December 8.

On December 4 at 9 a. m. the semi-annual high school entrance examination will be held.

The firm of Coltart & Jenks has dissolved partnership, and the former will continue the business.

Mate W. D. Frost, of the ship Glory of the Seas, who was recently injured by a fall into the hold of the vessel, has been sent to his home in San Francisco by U. S. Consul Roberts.

A cabinet for minerals is being placed in the board of trade reading room. It is of yellow cedar, nicely finished.

The Mexico brought no news of importance from Alaska except the unanimous selection of Thomas C. Nowell, a prominent Juneau mining man, as territorial delegate from Alaska to the next U. S. congress.

The women on View street are moving on to Chatham street; the residents of Chatham street don't want them there and have prepared a petition which soon will be presented to the police commissioners asking their removal.

Rev. Dr. Campbell will deliver a discourse at the First Presbyterian church next Sunday evening on "The Unity of the Human Race." This subject is receiving considerable space at the present time in the leading reviews and periodicals.

The "Meeting of the Nations" concert netted \$123; gross receipts \$228 and expenses \$102. The \$126 has been divided proportionately according to the number of tickets sold in advance.

Patrick Kelly was this afternoon committed for trial by Magistrate Macrae, charged with attempting to break jail. Kelly was at the time waiting trial on a charge of supplying liquor to Indians.

The young ladies of St. John's church will hold a fancy dress bazaar at the school room on Herald street on December 6. They are working hard on the articles for the bazaar and making the other necessary arrangements, and it will no doubt be a success.

Several times last week cars were thrown at Esquimalt tram cars as they passed along Store street, and on one occasion Mrs. William Croft was struck a severe blow in the chest. The tramway management will make every effort to discover the culprits.

The steamer City of Kingston carried away 6000 cases of salmon last night, destined for points in the east. It will all go west over the Northern Pacific. The Kingston took the salmon at the outer wharf, and it was 10 o'clock before she had it all loaded.

There was a very pleasant social dance on Saturday evening at Harmony hall. It was given under the direction of Mrs. M. E. McCracken, and the Bantly family furnished the music.

The current number of the Canadian Oddfellow contains photographs and sketches of two well known British Columbians, Provincial Grand Master W. J. Dwyer, of Victoria, and John Hillbert of Nanaimo, his deputy. The Oddfellow is a neatly printed sheet and is a recent publication in the field of journalism.

What looks very much like a "ghost" story has been sent out by some enterprising Port Townsend correspondent. It relates how a tug boat sneaked out of the sound on a dark night loaded with guns and ammunition, which were placed on two lumber ships to be landed in Hawaii for the royalists, who, it is said, are conspiring to place the queen on the throne.

George Brydges and A. C. Munro have just returned from a two weeks' shooting trip around Lake Shawanigan. They report wild fowls plentiful (at least one end of the lake while the sportsman is at the other). The long Armstrong gun is recommended as a very efficient weapon.

The North and South Saanich Agricultural Association have elected officers as follows: S. Sandover, president; F. Turgoose, vice-president; W. A. Bissett, treasurer; H. F. Haldon, secretary; and W. Thomson, J. T. Harrison, J. Cavin, B. Embree and J. Johns, committee.

The British ship Drumblair, which sailed from San Francisco for London on August 29th, reached here destination last week, making the passage in 83 days. This is the fastest time on record, and demonstrates the value of putting ships in the dry dock for a cleaning frequently.

John Henderson, relict of the late John Henderson, died on Saturday at her residence, Mount Newton hotel, South Saanich. She had been ill for several months. The deceased was very well known both in the city and district, the Mount Newton hotel being a favorite stopping place during a drive around the Saanich peninsula, and the popular hostess will be missed by scores of friends.

ive of England, aged 61 years. The funeral will take place at 11 o'clock on Wednesday morning from South Saanich and at 2 o'clock from Christ Church cathedral.

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an Indian ranch on it. Those who are familiar with the Cape and west coast are inclined to the belief that the ship foundered just outside of the Cape, and that much of the wreckage and possibly some of the bodies will come ashore in Barclay Sound.

The members of the committee appointed by the local dairymen to consult with the provincial government regarding bovine tuberculosis have had an audience, and report that they are not very well pleased with the result.

A prominent dairymen is authority for the statement that the local government refused to pay compensation for cattle infected with tuberculosis and which were ordered to be killed.

Some of the "boys" are likely to get into trouble. Complaints have been made to the police that on Saturday night or Sunday morning some hilarious revellers, whose identity is more than suspected, wore down and carried away the signs of two barriers on Government street and the other on Bastion street, besides breaking down fences, etc.

The legal gentlemen do not mind the "boys" having a little fun provided they pay for it like anybody else, but as one of them put it, "when it gets down to my contributing \$10 as the price of two signs for a joke the joke is a little hard to see."

Malicious destruction of property is in the eye of the law somewhat grave as well as an expensive amusement as those who took part in these festivities may shortly find.

Petticrew, the full back of the Victoria footballers, has kicked the leather for the last time. He has resigned and will play foot ball no more.

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take charge of the body and will very likely give it burial at Saturna Island. The bazaar given by the ladies' aid and guild of St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, at Baird's hall was a great success. It was opened at three o'clock by Mrs. Dewdney and during the afternoon there was a large attendance.

The men from the R. M. A. decorated the hall and rendered valuable assistance at the concert. Gunner Ayton and the twelve men who appeared in the amateur minstrel performances sang and were heartily encored. Other numbers on the programme were: Pianoforte solo, Miss Nicholson; song, Mr. A. E. Cave; song, Mr. Phillips; duet, Messrs. H. J. and A. E. Cave; song, Gr. Ayton. The affair was a financial success.

Grouped on the sidewalk on Government street near the consulate of the United States was a number of sailors. They were from the bark Detroit, and were waiting to see General Roberts, the American consul.

The bark Detroit at Nanaimo on the ground that she was unseaworthy. The Detroit is loaded with coal for San Francisco, and was towed into Esquimalt harbor by the tug Lorne. The circumstances are told by Gerston David, one of the crew. He said:

There are seven of us in the party, and our names are William Brookes, John Hedenstedt, John McKnight, Chas. Anderson, Kennedy Bane, Sam Young and myself. I suppose we are called by the hard name of deserters, but if you listen to my story you may think differently.

We came up from San Francisco, where we shipped on the bark Detroit. She is an American bottom. We noticed that although she was light she was leaking badly, and of course we were on the alert when she was in Nanaimo loading, watching how she would behave.

She got 1800 tons of coal in her and then she was at feet of water in her hold. She was then drawing 25 feet of water forward and 26 feet aft. This was the beginning of the week and we were lying in the water.

On Monday night she began to leak badly, and the ship carpenter, who was at the pumps, reckoned that she was leaking three inches an hour, and he reported that he could not make headway with the water against the pumps.

We realized that this was a serious matter, for if she leaked so much in calm water, what would she do in the open, where things would not be so advantageous? We told Captain Rice, and he was surprised, but said nothing more.

A paper on "Our Schools" was read. The marriage of Harry Morton, the well known lacrosse player, to Miss Lydia Carter has been announced. Mr. and Mrs. Morton are quartered at the Clarendon.

The Canadian Pacific steamship Empress of India left Hong Kong at noon to-day. A parlor social was held at the residence of Postmaster Shakespear this evening.

The school board yesterday opened the tenders and made the award in connection with the printing of the papers for the semi-annual examination. The tender of T. R. Cusack of 75 cents per subject was accepted and the contract awarded to him.

Work on Horsely mine at Cariboo has been shut down for the winter owing to frost. Seven thousand dollars has been cleaned up in the sluice boxes as a result of a thirteen days' run. The mine is now to be closed for the winter.

William Russell, of the B. C. B. G. A., and a pupil in the school of gunnery, met with an accident last night while at drill in the drill hall, one of the wheels of the gun carriage passing over his toes, bruising them to such an extent that two of them had to be amputated. Mr. Russell is an assistant to Dentist Hall.

At a meeting of the Jubilee hospital board the treasurer reported accounts for October amounting to \$1250.54 and pay sheet \$570.15. Ordered paid. The secretary of the ladies' auxiliary reported the resignation of Mrs. G. A. McTavish from the presidency. Mrs. Charles Hayward has been elected president and Mrs. A. J. Smith secretary.

Eliza Johnson, summoned for keeping a disorderly house, and Alfred Parke, summoned for vagrancy, failed to appear in police court to-day, and warrants for their arrest were ordered issued. The cases grew out of the assault of Henry Gant, colored, by Parke at the Johnson woman's house a few days ago.

The Boys' Brigade concert held in the Y. M. C. A. hall last night was well patronized. The programme was varied and interesting. Miss Murray gave a clever exhibition of club swinging and Miss Sharpe followed in a humorous song entitled "Tutesmezzo" from Mascagni's Cavalleria Rusticana, and the recitation of Rev. Solomon Cleaver was very pleasing.

Coroner Hasell is expected back from Saturna Island to-night. He went up there yesterday morning to conduct an inquest in the case of Matsuo, the Japanese found dead and supposed to have committed suicide. He was accompanied by Dr. Lang, whom he instructed to make a post mortem on the body of the deceased.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

Premier Davie Has no Hope of Getting Through Business by Christmas.

Mechanics' Lien and Workmen's Wages Bills Discussed Yesterday.

EIGHTH DAY.

Monday, Nov. 28.

The speaker took the chair at two o'clock.

Mr. Rogers presented a petition from Messrs. Holt, Mann and others for the incorporation of the Victoria Hydraulic company.

Mr. Kennedy presented petitions from the corporation of the city of New Westminster and the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley railway company for amendments to their charters.

Mr. Eberts presented a petition from the Columbia & Kootenay Railway & Navigation company for an amendment to their charter, and from J. C. Armstrong in reference to certain lands in the municipality of Delta.

The petition of the Red Mountain railway company was received.

The private bills committee recommended that the time for receiving petitions for private bills be extended for two weeks.

The report was received and Mr. Eberts moved that it be adopted.

Mr. Semlin said it was the same old story. Each legislature had in turn extended the time, but in doing so had stated that that would be the last time.

Hon. Mr. Davie thought there was good reason for the extension of time this session, as the session had been rather hurriedly called.

Mr. Sward asked if bills brought in after the regular time would be subject to double fees.

The speaker answered that they would. The report was adopted.

Mr. Graham moved that an order of this house be granted for a return of all timber dues collected from pre-emptors to the east of the Cascades and of the amounts collected by the different officials. He considered the present dues were unjust and he hoped the government would see their way clear to amend the act.

Hon. Mr. Martin had no objections to the motion. The act might be amended in respect to timber dues for timber cut by pre-emptors, but much care would have to be exercised.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Semlin moved that an order of the house be granted for copies of all tenders for departmental bookbinding received during the year 1894.

Hon. Mr. Davie thought that the members would probably be disappointed to hear that although tenders had been called for no contract had been awarded. The work was at present being done by arrangement with the contractor, who was doing the work much cheaper than it was formerly done. This contractor had put in a large plant with which to do the work, he having been given to understand by the late provincial secretary that he would be given the work for some time to come. It would therefore be unjust for the government to take the work away from the contractor who had put in this big plant. He had no doubt that some of the tenders put in were bona fide, but one of them at least was simply put in with the object of driving the present contractor out of the business. Tenders had been received from the south, Ontario, Vancouver and Victoria, but it was necessary that much of the work should be done in Victoria under the supervision of the government. Under the circumstances it would not do to make any radical change until the expiration of the present arrangement, after which the work would be given out by contract.

Mr. Semlin said he was certainly disappointed to hear that a contract had not been awarded. The gentleman who now does the work told the committee last session that he did not have any arrangement with the government; in fact, had been told by the late premier that he would have to take his chances with the other bookbinders. The province should be given the advantage of competition.

Hon. Col. Baker presented papers relating to the acts passed at the last session of the legislature.

Mr. Kennedy asked the attorney-general—Does the government intend to establish a better system of police protection amongst the islands of the Gulf of Georgia and the various settlements on both Vancouver island and the mainland north of Howe sound; and, if so, what system is to be adopted?

Hon. Mr. Davie—The subject of adequate police protection throughout the whole northwest coast of the province has received the serious consideration of the provincial government, and in view of the fact that the population of that region principally consists of Indians, whose management devolves upon the federal government, the provincial government has urged upon the federal government the duty of patrolling the waters which wash the northwest coast with an armed cutter. An order in council on this subject was forwarded to the federal government early in the present year, to which no reply was received from the federal government, and upon the occasion of the recent trip of the attorney-general to Ottawa the subject was discussed with the Dominion executive, with the result that the latter government promised to favorably consider the propriety of putting an armed cutter on the coast for the preservation of peace with the Indians and for the protection of the fisheries.

Mr. Prentice asked the attorney-general—Does Thomas Barton, road superintendent for East Lillooet still receive pay as constable at Clinton; and, if so, at what rate per annum?

Hon. Mr. Davie—He does, and receives \$400 per annum.

Mr. Prentice asked the chief commis-

sioner of lands and works—How many road superintendents are at present employed in Lillooet district?

Hon. Mr. Martin—Two; one for each riding.

Mr. Kennedy asked the chief commissioner of lands and works—Have the appointments of official scalers, in accordance with the provisions of Bill No. 77 of 1893, intimated an act for the appointment of official scalers of saw logs and other cut timber, been made? If not, why not, and when will they be made?

Hon. Mr. Martin—No appointments have been made. The government have the matter under consideration.

Mr. Semlin continued the debate on the second reading of the workmen's wages bill. He favored the principle of the bill, but there were sections in it which should be altered.

Mr. Booth said the bill was a step in the right direction, but he also thought some changes should be made in it. There were many farm hands who did not wish to receive their wages weekly as mechanics, they received them once a month when they wished.

Hon. Mr. Davie said clause three, mentioned by Mr. Booth, was merely a model and could be amended in committee. Exceptions might be made in regard to the payment of wages at collieries and on railways.

Mr. Williams agreed with the principle of the bill, but there were some parts of it which were impracticable. It might be incorporated in the mechanics' lien act.

Mr. Cotton said there were clauses in the bill which conflicted with the mechanics' lien bill. The house should decide whether it intended to do without the latter act before they dealt with the bill before the house.

Mr. Braden favored the bill as it stood. The mechanics must be protected. The present bill was very good for the lawyers, but it was not much use to the mechanics. Any technical amendments could be made in committee.

Mr. Hume would like to see a clause in the bill prohibiting the issuance of time checks. In Kootenay many firms issued time checks, and the men had sometimes to travel several miles at their own expense to have them cashed.

Mr. Kennedy agreed with the heading of the bill, "An act relating to workmen's wages and to make better provision for the payment thereof," but he could see nothing in the body of the bill that would bear out the title. There were several very objectionable clauses, but he would favor the second reading of the bill if he knew that it would be changed in committee.

Mr. McPherson considered the bill a very poor one as it stood, but it could be made a good one in committee.

The bill was read a second time, Mr. Cotton dissenting.

Hon. Mr. Davie moved the second reading of the mechanics' and laborers' bill, which he said fitted in perfectly with the bill just passed. This bill gave the workmen a lien on the work. The bill was almost identical with the one introduced in 1888, which had been carefully prepared and which had worked well until repealed. There was no reason why the material man should not have some protection. At present a worthless contractor could obtain material and when the contract was finished and the contractor had disappeared the material man had no means of receiving his pay. Both the material man and the workmen should be protected. There was an example in Kootenay, where a man who had supplied material for a railway was unable to obtain a lien for what he supplied. There were very few cases under the act of 1891, where either the material man or laboring man had recovered his lien. There were several amendments that would have to be made in committee. The crucial point was that the present bill gave a lien to the material man, while the act of 1891 gave the advantage away from the material man.

Mr. Cotton opposed the second reading of the bill. It was the intention of the act of 1891 to benefit mechanics and laboring men, and not for the material man. He contended that the act of 1891 worked to the satisfaction of the workmen. The act of 1891 had benefited men who had no money, but who were responsible and industrious. There had been no delays, but as a matter of fact as soon as a lien was placed on property the money was immediately paid without trouble or litigation. The only way to insure the payment of the workmen's wages was to make the property responsible for it. There was a strong distinction between the material and the laboring men, the amount that is likely to be due to the latter being much less than the material man's account. The amount it would cost the material man to enforce his lien would be small in comparison with the amount due him, while it would be a large amount to the workmen. He held that the present act was a protection to workmen. The material man had many advantages over the workman and could not be placed on the same plane. By passing the present bill many advantages would be taken away from the mechanic and laborer which were given them by the act of 1891. He would therefore vote against the second reading of the bill.

Mr. Booth said the workmen's wages bill and the mechanics' and laborers' bill should be read together. Both the material and laboring men should be given means to collect what was due them on short notice.

Mr. Williams thought the laborers should be protected before the material men. All that was necessary was an act to carry out that principle. The attorney-general would find that there were as many defects in the working of the act of 1888 as there were in the working of the act of 1891. The latter act had worked well.

Hon. Col. Baker said there were several clauses in the bill that should be amended in committee. The workmen's wages bill protected the laborers, while the mechanics' and laborers' bill protected the material man. Therefore both were being looked after, and the laboring man first.

Mr. Eberts favored the second reading

of the bill. If passed it would be the very best machinery provided for the collection of wages. The laborer had a preferential right for a month's wages, which gave him ample protection. There were many defects in the act of 1891 which were amended by the bill before the house.

Mr. Kennedy was strongly in favor of giving the mechanics and laboring men a first lien, and also thought the material man should have a second lien. The workman would have no chance against the material man when they had a lien on the same building.

Hon. Mr. Davie—The workmen have a prior right for thirty days' wages. Mr. Semlin remembered numerous liens which had been introduced, and all of which were said to be defective. The act of 1888 was repealed because there were many objections against it.

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Mr. Braden supported the bill. He only wished the act had been in force many years ago. If it had been in force he would have had hundreds of dollars in pocket. The bill would do justice to contractors, sub-contractors, material men and laborers.

Mr. Kitchen said under the bill the material man would invariably get ahead of the workman. It was to protect the men who work for wages that the act of 1891 had been passed. The material man was well able to look after himself. The house should look after the men who were less able to look after themselves and who were unable to afford the services of legal advisers. The two bills might be dovetailed and made into a very reasonable one. If the government knew of any defects in the bill of 1891 they should point them out and then be for one would be only too glad to remedy those defects. The bill did not even try to remedy the defects of the act of 1888, but was an exact copy of that act.

Hon. Mr. Davie said as far as he knew there were no defects in the act of 1888. That was the best lien act that had ever been introduced.

The bill was read a second time on the following division:

Ayes—Messrs. Baker, Pooley, Davie, Martin, Turner, Eberts, Bryden, Irving, McGregor, Braden, Rithet, Rogers, Smith, Kellie, Hunter and Mutter.

Nays—Messrs. Williams, Kitchen, Semlin, Kennedy, Cotton, Hume, Prentice, Brown, Graham, McPherson, Kidd and Sward.

Hon. Mr. Davie moved the second reading of the bill to provide for the revision of the statutes, which he fully explained in committee. He thought the bill might go further than it did and provide for the enactment of all the old English laws as far as they are applicable to the province, thus making a complete code, to which reference could be made without having to search for just what English laws apply to the province. This had been done in other provinces and colonies. However, the bill did not go that far, and it was for the members to say whether the provision should be carried out.

The bill was read a second time.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Turner it was resolved that the house go into committee of supply on Wednesday next. This is merely a formal motion, and will be extended from day to day until the finance minister is ready with his budget speech.

Mr. Cotton presented petitions from the North Vancouver Electric company and the Burrard Inlet railway company for an extension of time in which to commence work.

Mr. Cotton asked Mr. Rithet as chairman of the public accounts committee when he intended to call that committee together.

Mr. Rithet replied that he had seen the auditor and treasurer and they had said that they would be ready for the committee in about a week.

Mr. Cotton—The committee may not wish to see the treasurer or auditor. There were lots of other things that they could do. Besides, the premier had said that the house would adjourn before Christmas. If this was the case the committee would not have much time to do their work.

Hon. Mr. Davie feared that his hopes that the house would adjourn before Christmas would not be carried out. It would take a couple of weeks to discuss the finances of the province. Mr. Rithet was perfectly right to wait until the officers were ready.

Mr. Semlin—The officers may never be ready. One thing was certain. The members could not discuss the finances until they had heard from the public accounts committee.

Hon. Mr. Davie—The finance minister will deliver his budget speech in a few days, when the financial condition of the province will be fully explained.

The house adjourned at 4:40.

NINTH DAY.

Tuesday, Nov. 27.

The speaker took the chair at two o'clock.

Mr. McPherson presented a petition from William Cartwright in reference to lands on Thisis island.

The following petitions presented yesterday were read and received:

From William Mackenzie, George A. Cox and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Victoria Hydraulic Consolidated Mining company; J. C. Armstrong, J. R. Brown and Jessica M. Brown, for a private bill re exemption of Harrison Hot Springs lands from Kent municipality; from the city of New Westminster, for a private bill to amend their corporate act; from the Columbia & Kootenay Railway & Navigation company, for a private bill to revise and amend their corporate act; from the Burrard Inlet &

Fraser Valley Railway company, for a private bill to amend their corporate act; from the North Vancouver Electric company, for a private bill to amend their corporate act.

Hon. Mr. Davie introduced a bill to amend and consolidate the acts relating to the legal profession. It was read a first time.

Hon. Mr. Davie presented papers relating to the protection of lands from the Fraser river overflow.

Mr. Irving moved that the house do resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider the following resolution: Resolved, that the government be requested to take such action as may lie in their power to secure the trade of the Yukon mines for the merchants and traders in the province.

The house went into committee, Mr. Bryden in the chair, when Mr. Irving spoke in support of the resolution. This province should naturally be the place from which the miners of the Yukon should obtain their supplies. At the present time all the goods were purchased from an American company, the traders and miners having to pay big charges for transportation. A trial shipment was sent from Victoria this year, but under the circumstances none but vessels flying the American flag could navigate the rivers. The route by which supplies should go in was up the Taku river, and then by road, which would have to be about seventy-five miles long. His intention in introducing the resolution was to induce the government to impress on the Dominion government the necessity of opening up the country. If the country were opened up it would not be long before there would be five thousand people settled there.

Mr. Cotton had much pleasure in seconding the resolution. Something should be done to divert the trade of the northern country to the coast cities. He saw by a recent dispatch that the Dominion government intended to send a surveyor north next year to decide upon the best route. Any representations to be made by the province were therefore very timely.

Hon. Mr. Davie cordially supported the resolution, recognizing that the trade of the northern country was very important. At present the development of the country was retarded by the expense of transporting the goods to the coast.

He had discussed the matter when at Ottawa, when he was advised of the intention to send in mounted police and a surveyor. From the information he had believed that the Taku river route would be the best. It was, however, a matter for the Dominion government, although he thought that probably when the country was opened up it would be added to the province, or at least governed from the coast, as the only entrance to the district was from the Pacific.

It paid to build roads in mining districts, the revenue from the roads constructed in Cassiar having been very large.

Mr. Semlin understood that the Lynn canal route was altogether in Canadian territory, while the Taku river route went through American territory. If the Lynn canal route was practicable it would obviate any customs trouble.

Mr. Irving said he was informed by miners that the Taku river route was the only possible one. A great many portages were necessary on the Lynn canal route, which greatly added to the cost of transportation.

Mr. Booth considered that it would be more advisable to urge the government to build a narrow gauge railway, as a wagon road route would be as costly as the present water route.

The resolution was reported to the house and adopted.

The house went into committee, Mr. Kitchen in the chair, to consider the bill to authorize a revision of the statutes.

Mr. Williams endorsed the attorney-general's proposal that the commission should be empowered to also consolidate the English laws applicable to British Columbia, and it was decided that an amendment providing for this should be introduced on report.

Regarding the question as to how many commissioners should be employed, Hon. Mr. Davie said he was of opinion that one or two men could do the work more satisfactorily than a number. He estimated that it would cost \$25,000 to consolidate the provincial acts, with a small addition for embodying the English acts. However, the legislature would vote the necessary money from year to year, having before them each session the work done since the previous session.

The bill was reported complete without amendments.

The house went into committee on the workmen's wages bill.

Mr. McPherson moved an amendment making it absolutely necessary that all wages should be paid weekly.

Hon. Mr. Davie pointed out that it was necessary to make this matter optional, as it would be impossible in some cases to pay the wages weekly. As the clause was the workmen could claim their wages weekly unless there was a contrary agreement.

Mr. Bryden said it was not to the advantage of either the employer or the employees of large corporations to pay wages weekly. He had found in his experience that men who were paid weekly were not so economical. He had received a request from miners to oppose anything that would enforce the weekly payment of wages.

Hon. Mr. Davie thought it would be better to strike out the whole of the clause referring to the weekly payment of wages.

It was decided to strike the clause out. Mr. McPherson moved an amendment to section four providing that workmen's wages shall be a paramount charge on all moneys due to a contractor by employers, without any provisions to the contrary. The amendment was carried on a division of 15 to 14.

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duced contractors would not be able to get men to work for them.

Hon. Mr. Pooley said it must be remembered that contractors had to give bonds for the proper completion of the work, and if they did not have some protection they would be unable to obtain bondsmen.

Mr. Williams—The contractor could defeat the whole object of the act by making an assignment of the work.

Hon. Mr. Pooley—The men have to have some means to start their work.

Hon. Mr. Davie also moved a technical amendment.

Mr. Adams, the chairman, got rather mixed up, and declared the section carried before the amendments were put to a vote.

During the rambling discussion Hon. Mr. Davie said the bill might as well be withdrawn if section four was left as amended by Mr. McPherson. He, however, intended to move to restore the original section on report.

The chairman ruled that section five had been passed and Hon. Mr. Pooley withdrew his amendment.

The committee had reached clause seven when they rose and reported progress.

The house adjourned at 5:45.

SUICIDE OF A JAP.

A Subject of the Mikado Kills Himself at Saturna Island.

News was brought to the city last night by the Princess Louise of the finding at Saturna Island yesterday morning of the body of a Japanese who had evidently committed suicide. The body was found in the cabin of the dog owned by the Jap, which had also been shot, and near the two was a rifle. The poor fellow evidently regarded the dog with affection and thought it better to have him die with him than remain behind and starve. The bodies of both the man and brute had begun to decompose, and it was believed by those who saw them that the deed was committed about three weeks ago. There was every evidence that it was a case of suicide, but there will no doubt be an investigation. The cause for the act is given as poverty.

Before the steamer left the Times informant had been unable to get the name of the Japanese, and none of the Japanese here could give any positive information on the subject. It is said that the Jap's name was Matsuo and that he had lived for some time on the northeast end of Saturna Island. If it was Matsuo he had money left over from the proceeds of last year's crop and intended going home to Japan. Matsuo's only neighbor was a Japanese who lived six miles away. Some of the Japanese here say that Matsuo had trouble with Indians and hint that they killed him.

Constable Drummond has written to Chief of Provincial Police Huesey, stating that he was at the hut of the Jap found dead and the indications are that it was a case of suicide. Drummond reports that the wound was in the neck and that a Winchester rifle, with which the shot is supposed to have been fired, was lying between the dead man's limbs and pointing in the direction of the wound. The dog lay dead a few feet away. The coroner will probably leave to-night and an inquest will be held in a few days.

Condensed Dispatches.

A Fort Worth, Tex., special says that on Friday night, shortly after five, packages purporting to contain \$25,000, had been received at Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe depot, a band of men made a descent on the depot and attempted to get the money. Sheriff McGee was fatally shot while defending the depot.

The band rode off without obtaining the money. It is since reported that the robbers were overtaken in the Antelope Hills and seven of them captured.

Harry Menier jumped from the centre of the Brooklyn bridge. He carried a parachute, which opened in the descent when Menier was about 50 feet above the river. He struck the water on his left side and sustained no injuries, and escaped arrest.

Admiral Carpenter has cabled the U. S. navy department from Chefoo that the Baltimore would leave at once for Nagasaki.

The Mexican man-of-war Zaragoza sailed from San Francisco yesterday morning. She is under orders to proceed to Guatemala to protect Mexican interests.

A Washington dispatch says that the cabinet meeting was postponed for the third time yesterday owing to the absence of the President. He is still suffering from rheumatism.

Last night a cable car on the Hyde street line, San Francisco, was wrecked while going down a steep hill and twelve passengers injured, some seriously, although none fatally.

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STILL FALLING AWAY.

Trade Returns for October Show a Heavy Decrease From Last Year.

Sir Richard Cartwright and His Constituents—Ottawa Reform Club.

From our own correspondent. Ottawa, Nov. 18.—The trade figures still show a heavy falling off when compared with the same period last year. The official gazette of yesterday shows that the imports for the month of October last declined in value when compared with October, 1893, by nearly one million and a half dollars. And business last fall could not be said to be over bright. The figures for the past month were in value for imports, including dutiable and free goods, \$8,357,741, compared with \$9,891,517 for the same time last year. The duty last month was \$1,426,039, and for October, 1893, it was \$1,553,279, or a decrease of nearly \$130,000. But the largest decrease was in the import of free goods. There was, however, an increase in the export trade of about \$800,000 as compared with the same month in 1893. The principal item of export was animals, and then produce, there being of these, the produce of Canada, no less than \$4,916,354 exported, or if we include the produce of other countries, a total of \$5,059,312. The exports altogether amount to \$14,577,436. As for the balance of trade theory it has gone to the dogs so often that only a few of the old N. E. school of politicians ever think of talking about it. Sir Leonard Tilley would have thought that the home market was gone if we had to export over fourteen million dollars' worth and import only eight millions. But apart from that, let us look at our exports. There was for the past month as follows:

Table with columns: Produce of Canada, Produce of other countries, Total. Rows include Produce of the Mine, Forest, Agricultural products, Manufactures, Miscellaneous articles, Bullion, Gold, Silver, Total.

Only a little over \$600,000 for exports in manufactures, still the present government would make you believe that the whole policy of the country should be directed in their favor. What about the farmers, whom they stigmatize as hayseeds, the fishermen and the lumbermen, who, after all, are the backbone of this country? Let any one look at our exports and they will see. The farmers, as shown by animal and their produce and agricultural products, have exported for the month over \$8,000,000. Then come the forest and fisheries. The mine, which has been harassed in every possible way by the present government, even shows nearly as large an export for the month as manufactures do. It is about time that some little consideration was given to the farmers of the country. While the present government, ruled as it is by the Red Party, lasts, that cannot be the case.

Hon. J. C. Patterson, minister of militia, has just returned from a junketing tour all over the Maritime Provinces. He was ostensibly looking into military matters, but in point of fact he was accompanying Robert Birmingham, the organizer of the party on a tour among the politicians providing for the approaching general elections. Mr. Patterson pays very little attention to his department. His whole time is spent in political work. He is credited with being a great adept in the business by his colleagues, but it is very doubtful if he is such an expert in the business as they imagine. He can give a big subscription to home rule and at the same time sanction the abolition of separate schools in this province or the smashing of confederation if such is not done. He is a Master man in provincial politics, and a follower of John Costigan and Clarke Wallace in Dominion affairs. Messrs. Costigan and Wallace quarrel but Mr. Patterson supports both. So he says but it is doubtful if anybody believes it. The people of Huron cannot be gulled twice in the same way.

Sir Richard Cartwright has just concluded a tour through his constituency, South Oxford. The result of it has been that at every point the Liberals have again endorsed his parliamentary course and have assured him of their renewed support. If it were for nothing else than the strenuous opposition which the Conservatives have made to Sir Richard, he is deserving of all the support that the Liberals are able to extend to him. The reason why the Conservatives oppose him is because they fear him. There is no man in parliament to-day who can cross swords in debate with Sir Richard Cartwright. He makes the Tories wince with his heavy political blows, and they have therefore good cause to hate him. The opposition which was got up against him in his constituency has disappeared, and the re-election of Sir Richard Cartwright is certain.

A Vancouver newspaper some time ago made flattering reference to the Macdonald club of this city, which has neither got a habitation nor a name' outside the civil service. But Ottawa is not without a good political organization of young men, as the following from the Ottawa Journal (independent) of last Saturday will show: 'The annual meeting of the Reform club of Ottawa was held last evening in the club rooms, Elgin street, H. A. Bate, president, in the chair. A year ago last June the club was organized. It will be remembered that it was officially opened by Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, who is its patron, and a life member, the evening before the national Liberal convention was called together. The club rooms were the headquarters of the party during the convention. The hall

overhead, which also belongs to the club, was of great service to the members of the convention. It was there, for instance, that the committee on resolutions met and framed the platform of the Dominion Liberals. In his opening address Mr. Bate pointed out that the annual meeting should have been held last June, but the members of the club were so busily engaged with the provincial elections that it was postponed until now. He said that the history of the club was unique for a political organization, in so far that the year's transactions showed a handsome surplus after all liabilities, including rent of hall and rooms, electric light, furniture, pictures, periodical and newspaper accounts had been paid. He gave a resume of the last six months' transactions, carrying the work done by the club up to date, which shows a still more successful period in the history of the organization. There was enough of money already in the treasury to pay for the whole year's indebtedness of the institution, notwithstanding that there was a considerable sum still due the club. Not only was the club financially a success, but its membership was increasing. He saw no reason why they should not have a membership at \$5 per head of three hundred before the winter months were past. (Applause.) The fee was low, when the advantages received and the comfortable quarters were taken into consideration. The executive had been contemplating adding a billiard room to the club rooms. (Applause.) The club then arranged a series of debates on political topics for the winter months. SLABTOWN.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

News of the World Received by Wire in Brief Dispatches. The New York Sun states that orders have been issued to-day from the headquarters of the American sugar refinery to shut down completely all refineries of the company in Boston, Philadelphia and other cities. Fifty thousand operatives will be affected by the closing of the sugar works. This action is due to the demoralized condition of the trade.

The Boston, Mass., fishing schooner Gracie H. Kenyon was run down and sunk and six of her crew were drowned in the harbor to-day by the Philadelphia & Reading steamer, Philadelphia. The rest of the schooner's crew were picked up.

A New York special says there is yet no news of Seely, the missing bookkeeper of the National Shoe and Leather bank. There is another box belonging to Baker yet to be opened, which may throw some light on what became of the stolen funds of the bank.

A large meteor struck the earth at Council Bluffs in the southwestern part of the city last night. Just before it struck it exploded and fragments were scattered over several acres. No one was injured. About two minutes after the meteor fell there was a terrible shock, which shook nearly every building in the city.

A shaft in the Spring Valley mine at Princeton, Ill., caught fire this morning. The miners made their escape by the safety shaft.

At the Brooklyn navy yard to-day it was generally believed that the ships of the North Atlantic squadron under Admiral Meade will shortly cruise to the West Indies because of England's attitude in regard to Nicaragua.

A cable received at Baltimore to-day states that the steamship Earncliffe grounded on the Yumuri rocks near Barrat, Cuba, and will probably be a total loss. All hands were saved.

John Garvin, the tramp who slept in the home of John Jacob Astor, was indicted to-day for burglary in the second degree.

Herace Nathaniel Pennoyer, aged 19, the only son of Governor Pennoyer of Oregon, died at Williamsport, Pa., on Saturday.

Edward T. Langtry, the "Lily's" husband, will arrive at New York in a few days, it is believed, to institute divorce proceedings.

Mrs. Augusta Thurow, one of the notorious New York women who testified before the Lexow committee, has gone to Europe. She was one of the eleven women whom it was necessary to get out of the way, and it is said she was well paid to leave.

The United States supreme court has refused to release John Y. McKane, the lawyer, who was on crum for some time ago of corruption.

In his speech delivered at St. Mary's, Ont., on Monday night the Rev. Mr. Madill, president of the P. P. A. order, said: "I won't support Sir John Thompson, because I believe he puts church before state. The Tories say that Laurier is worse, but I question that. Laurier was born a Papist. He is not to blame for that, the other fellow fell from grace." Mr. Madill disclaims responsibility for the defeat of Mayor Essery in London, but he charges the temperance people with deserting him.

E. King Dodds, of Toronto, known as a staunch Conservative, secured unopposedly Mr. Essery, the defeated Conservative candidate in London, and Mr. Marter, the leader of the opposition, in the Canadian Sportsman, of which he is editor. Of Mr. Essery he says: "Only a man so saturated with bigotry as to be wilfully blind could be surprised at his defeat." As to Mr. Marter, Dodds says that the two speeches he made in London were the veriest twaddle ever heard outside the circle of a country debating club and that it was no wonder that those who listened to it marvelled that such a man should be leader of anything more pretentious than a tea party.

W. S. Beaver, postmaster of Port Arthur, has written to the provincial board of health stating that there is a serious outbreak of fever at Bruce Mines. At one time the number of cases were sixteen. In one family there were three cases and two deaths. In another family the parents and three children were down with the disease. The provincial health authorities will have inquiries instituted for the purpose of determining the cause of the outbreak.

ARMENIAN ATROCITIES.

Further Information of the Horror Contained in Letters Recently Received.

An Edict Issued Calling for the Seizure of All American Papers.

Boston, Nov. 27.—Further information regarding the massacre of the Armenians near Bitlis has been received by Secretary Gulson, of the United Friends of Armenia. One letter, dated Bitlis, September 25, gives the information that news has been received from the region back of Moosh that forty-eight villages are said to have been wholly blotted out. Another, dated Bitlis, October 3, states that on the day previous a letter from Moosh had been received, which told of the outbreak of a virulent form of cholera, which was killing from twenty-five to thirty-five persons daily. It is added, it is said, by the stench of carnage, which was taken place not far back in the mountains.

The number of the massacred will reach between eight thousand and ten thousand. The government tried to get the people here to sign a petition to the sovereign expressing satisfaction with his rule and disclaiming sympathy with the Armenians who have "stirred up matters." The people have refused to sign the address.

Another letter, dated Constantinople, October 31, states that from information received from Bitlis twenty-seven villages have been annihilated in Sasoum and six thousand men, women and children have been massacred by the troops and Kurds. The massacre occurred in the early part of September. The massacre was the result of an affray between some Kurds and Armenian villagers, from whom the Kurds had stolen their flocks. The sultan ordered infantry and cavalry to this place to put down the Armenian rebellion.

An audience which crowded the "cradle of liberty" to the doors, made up mostly of Armenians, but with a large number of Americans, gathered at Faneuil hall to-night to hold an indignation meeting over the atrocious treatment of Armenians by representatives of the Turkish government. Among the speakers were many representative citizens, as well as a number of leading clergymen of Boston. Rev. J. Barrows presided. With him on the platform were Governor Greenhalge, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Hon. William Garrison, Rev. Francis Eckert, Rev. Thomas H. Van Ness, of Boston, and Dr. Samuel F. Gaubert, of Cambridge, all of whom made addresses. The resolutions adopted recite that:

"Whereas, it was the report of an American commission of inquiry that first convinced Mr. Gladstone of the truth of Bulgarian atrocities.

"Resolved, that we earnestly petition His Excellency Grover Cleveland to instruct our minister at Constantinople to investigate this matter, either by sending to the spot such persons as he may see fit or by joining in a commission sent by the united European powers."

The resolution proceeds with an appeal to the signatory powers, and especially Great Britain, for the enforcement of the sixty-first article of the treaty of Berlin. William Garrison was the chief speaker of the evening.

London, Nov. 27.—The Daily News correspondent in Constantinople says: "It is announced officially that the Turkish subjects in Sasoum are attending to their business and travellers are not disturbed. This announcement is made boldly, despite the fact that the foreign embassies know the contrary to be true. The Mufti of Moosh has been decorated, although he is one of the officials implicated in the recent excesses. The Armenians are anxious to know whether the powers will make united representations."

London, Nov. 27.—The Anglo-Armenian association in this city regards the personnel of the commission appointed by the Porte to investigate the alleged atrocities in Armenia as unsuitable for the commission. The commission includes Dulah Pasha and Haxi Tewfik Pasha. The Anglo-Armenian association do not believe that they will do more than recommend the wholesale arrest and trial of those Armenians who were fortunate enough to escape to the mountains.

Advices received by the Anglo-Armenian association to-day indicate that the Turkish artillery without discrimination fired on Armenian women and children, as well as the members of the Kurdish tribes.

Russia is already moving actively in the matter of the alleged purpose of demanding an investigation into past atrocities and preventing attacks on the Armenian Christians in the future. Detailed instructions to this effect have been sent to the Russian representative in Constantinople.

Constantinople, Nov. 27.—The recent edict calling for the seizure at the frontier of all newspapers containing accounts of the Armenian massacres prohibits the entry of every American newspaper into Turkey. This attitude on the part of the Turkish government is supposed to be due to the attitude assumed by the American press on the Armenian question.

The sending of a commission to inquire into the massacre of the Armenians will have the effect of letting the local officials know that foreign envoys are watching their conduct. The report of the commission, when published, is not likely to have any value. The Mufti of Moosh has been decorated, although he is one of the officials implicated in the massacre. Private advices state that the condition of affairs in the Sasoum district causes the utmost anxiety.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Premier Davie Explains Why Vancouver Cannot Have a Resident Judge.

Laws of England to be Incorporated in the Consolidated Acts of the Province.

TENTH DAY.

Wednesday, Nov. 28. The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Ribbet presented a petition from L. Erb and others relating to a crown grant held by them.

Mr. McPherson presented a petition from the Y. P. S. of C. E. of Zion Methodist church respecting Sunday observance.

Mr. J. H. Turner presented a petition bearing on the same matter.

The petition of William Cartwright re Theis Island land grievance, was received.

Mr. Williams moved that the government should introduce legislation for the purpose of enforcing the residence of a supreme court judge at Vancouver. He said the present arrangement was in convenient and unsatisfactory for both the legal gentlemen and litigants.

There was an act which provided that a supreme court judge should reside at Vancouver, and all they asked was that the provisions of the act be carried out.

Hon. Mr. Davie said the legislature had for fifteen years tried to have this done, but had not been successful. The act providing that judges should reside at different places had practically been a dead letter ever since it was passed.

Some of them had resided in the interior for some time, but all had finally gravitated to Victoria. An arrangement was made whereby one judge was to reside in Yale district, one in New Westminster and three in Victoria.

There was very little to do in Yale, so Judge Walkem left Yale and came to Victoria, Judge McCreicht remaining at Westminster. Judge Walkem, however, did not arrive once in a while when he was expected at Vancouver, but this was accounted for by inclement weather and the judges being at the court of appeal.

The same would be the case if a judge resided at Vancouver, as he would have to attend the court of appeal at Victoria. He asked that the resolution be held over, as the government have the matter under consideration.

Mr. Cotton thought the matter could be remedied by providing that the judge to be appointed to fill the vacancy should reside in Vancouver.

On motion of Mr. Sward the debate was adjourned for a week.

Mr. Sward asked the minister of finance: With regard to the Nakusp and Slocan railway company's bonds guaranteed by the province, who receives the difference between the selling price and the face value?

Hon. Mr. Turner—The province. Hon. Mr. Davie moved the second reading of the legal professions bill.

The bill not being on the orders of the day and Mr. Semlin objecting to proceeding, the second reading was adjourned.

On consideration of the report on the bill for the revision of the statutes Hon. Mr. Davie moved an amendment providing that should the lieutenant-governor-in-council see fit the laws of England applicable to the province should be incorporated in the consolidation. He said he had not yet had time to look thoroughly into the matter, and therefore it should be left to the government to ascertain if it was feasible.

Mr. Semlin thought all were in favor of a revision, but there was a question as to the cost. The amount mentioned yesterday by the attorney-general was certainly startling. He had no idea that it would cost that much.

The amendment was adopted and the bill was finally passed.

The formal resolution to grant a supply to Her Majesty was passed through committee. Mr. Eberts in the chair. It was decided that the committee sit again on Monday, but that depends upon whether the finance minister is ready with his budget speech.

A number of technical amendments

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TUBERCULOSIS.

The Disease That at Present Causes So Much Trouble.

The Canadian Live Stock and Farm Journal in a recent issue has the following on the subject of tuberculosis—

So much has been written and said concerning this most insidious disease that a large proportion of cattle men are actually a quarry as to the future of that most important industry, cattle breeding.

As an instance of the ignorance abroad concerning tuberculosis, not a few confound it with that dreaded disease, contagious pleuro-pneumonia, which is totally dissimilar in every respect.

It is well to remember that there is nothing new in regard to tuberculosis or consumption. In the human family it is nearly as old as the race, while in cattle it has been known to exist ever since the great pioneers in cattle improvement began their work 150 years ago, and, doubtless, was known for centuries before that; in fact, as long as those having anything to do with cattle took enough interest in their work to know when stock under their care were affected.

Judging by the reports issued, cattle at the experiment stations at different points, both in Canada and the United States, have suffered worse than the private owners of either country. Most do not attribute this to one of two causes; either the officials in their zeal to diffuse knowledge by experiments have overstepped the mark, and slaughtered many healthy cattle which, by the Koch test, showed disease; or their herds have been subjected to singularly bad management.

The wording of the reports, and what little information has leaked out, would lead us to think that the former is the more correct.

The fact is in many of these experiments there is often too hasty a disposition to jump at conclusions, by which quite as much harm as good may be done.

On the other hand, if experimental stations are to be of service, the managers and officials should be doubly careful to retain the confidence of the public, in whose interest they have been established.

It is true that much of their time is employed in dealing with the mistakes of private breeders, but their reports should be couched in language in which there is no uncertain sound, and written after all doubts are dispersed.

As before stated, tuberculosis is no new disease, yet many writers, among whom are some veterinary surgeons, have so magnified its ravages that breeders and farmers are greatly alarmed.

The motive of these professional gentlemen is too apparent, as they are evidently after the endorsement of the government to supplement the oftentimes scanty income derived from a small practice. It is one thing to exercise caution, but most ridiculous to cause a panicky feeling where there is no occasion for it.

Among the most obstinate and ignorant of these professionals is that tuberculosis is a terribly contagious, while, on the other hand, all experienced cattle men agree that this is not the case.

In proof of this there are many men who have bred cattle for many years who have not experienced a case of it in their herds, and yet but few have had any further trouble with it.

It is true that there have been cases where many of the animals in a herd have succumbed to the disease, and there are instances in medical practice where a whole family have been wiped out of existence in an incredibly short space of time, but this is no proof of the contagious character of tuberculosis (consumption), or of consumption in the human family.

In both instances there are other causes, but here the best physicians disagree; here, men who have made a life study of these diseases differ in their opinions. It is generally conceded, however, that in such cases there is a hereditary predisposition to contract the disease, or, rather, that there is a lack of power to combat against it. It is argued that the disease is hereditary, and that it is liable to be attacked in fact, but not only rendering the patient more susceptible to it, but he has little or no power of resistance; hence the speed at which the disease progresses in a case of galloping consumption.

When we hear of an instance where this trouble has extended or remained for any length of time, on enquiry, a cause is easily found, as well as the reasons why animals in a herd are abnormally susceptible. Among these are: inbreeding, close confinement, and artificial surroundings. When cattle are kept in doors for months, as is advised among dairy herds, their constitutions are naturally impaired; and when they are kept at high pressure as well, as to insure a heavy milk yield, they naturally lose their power to resist disease.

The horse, whose lungs are so much exercised when it performs its work, is not known to be troubled with this form of lung disease, while cattle are the most liable to it of all domesticated animals.

We have said that it has been contended that tuberculosis is contagious, and doubtless it is so to a certain extent, such as in cases where a healthy animal is confined in the same stable with one in the last stages of the disease.

In this case, were the healthy animal to swallow a portion of the sputa usually emitted by an animal in the last stage of the disease, and the healthy animal to be suffering, from some cause, from a rupture of the membrane or internal lining of the throat, then there would be a decided danger of infection, and this may be possibly contracted in many ways, such as through drinking at the same watering troughs as diseased cattle, or by taking diseased tissue in with the food.

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THE MARKETS.

Short Summary Covering Articles of Every Day Consumption.

Victoria still draws her chief supply of fresh meat from the interior of the province, although considerable light meat comes from the American side, most of the latter goes into the coast storage plant, which, with its bonding privileges, proves very convenient. Prices are low as there are many offerings in view of the close approach of winter. There will very likely be no advance until January and if the winter is anything like open Victoria will keep on consuming some-raised meats until March 1. Butter remains firm and island made sells well. Fresh ranch eggs are way up readily retailing at 50 cents. The bulk of the supply is from the coast. There are a lot of island apples in and they retail at 2 cents. Oregon goes a cent better. There are some good eastern cranberries and Florida oranges in market and they do very well as far as sales are concerned. Japanese oranges are bringing 75 cents a box. The farmers who shipped poultry for the Thanksgiving trade did very well. The present supply of poultry is good. Flours are lower and will follow wheat. The new raisins, currants, citron and nuts for the holidays are coming in.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Flour, Wheat, Corn, and other commodities.

LATE CABLE DISPATCHES.

The London and Liverpool Police Anticipate a Renewal of Fenian Activity. Prince Adolph of Teck Marries the Daughter of Duke of Westminster. London, Nov. 28.—The police of this city and Liverpool are closely awaiting the developments of a renewal of the Fenian activity in both cities.

PROPOSES A HALT.

Ald. Munn Prepares an Important Motion on Water Matters. Ald. Munn posted the following notice of motion on the city hall bulletin board late yesterday:

"I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the city council I shall move the following:

"Whereas a loan of \$150,000 on the credit of the lands and improvements of the city has been authorized for the purpose of extending and improving the corporation water works;

"And whereas the purchase of 1000 acres of water shed of Elk and Beaver lakes at a cost of \$80,000 is contemplated by the council in connection with said improvement;

"And whereas it is estimated by competent valuers that the cost of the 1000 acres aforesaid will greatly exceed \$80,000, and will not be less than \$125,000 before the purchase is completed;

"And whereas the acquiring of the said lands will not purify the water nor make either the odor or the taste more agreeable;

"Therefore be it resolved that the council rescinds all former instructions to the water commissioner and hereby requests the said water commissioner not to proceed with the purchase of lands surrounding Elk and Beaver lakes, except such portions as may be sufficient to enable the commissioner to clean up the borders of the said lakes and to enclose them with a fence, until such time as filter beds have been completed and all other necessary steps taken to ensure a cleaner and more wholesome supply of water during 1895 than the citizens are at present obtaining."

The municipal council of St. Petersburg have unanimously resolved to present bread and salt to the French ambassador to Russia. The ceremony is equivalent to the presentation of the freedom of the city.

THE PRESIDENT

Washington, D. C. Cleveland this afternoon message to Congress that body. The To the Congress of the assailed halls of duty of making it a generous and fr suggests the exact exorable responsibility task. At the th now to be undert of the United S charge of an exec the constitution, i cation, containing the condition of recommending suc to me necessary. The history of with other nationa lations with them ally demonstrate sibly adhering policy free from national schemes a entire honesty an The termination Brazil has been fo prevalence of peac peering at its cor usual watchfulness government our m bor of Rio de Jan This precaution i to restrict the issu strength between ment and the ins complications whi immediate (Nov 14 a new treaty with gulation of emigr Washington, and c eived the sanction tion on the part exchange and th this mutually ben though the war be pan endangered m States, it deserves create a new growi our countries and which may result ciled or sovereign the situation by China. Acting m our treaty with Co ed at the beginni to tender our good amicable arrangee city and nationa mands for admini rea, but the unba actual hostilities d purpose. Deploin between the two c eases of action a commercial interes may be preserved a our citizens there s ed, I would not he timation of the h onorable termina would be acceptabl Early in the presen was reached with cerning instruction the annual meeti ments in Pan-or us North Pacific guidance in the ex of the Paris tribu the situation by their prescribed seal life in the wa understanding has the payment by th erment of \$425,000 of all claims whi Great Britain for of the controversy Behring Sea or th vessels engaged in those waters. I settlement upon th would be an equita one and I recom made for the pro stated sum. Thus Portugal have sign to adhere to the r by the award of t arbitration.

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