MONTREAL. to-Wear" Clothing.

Miners' Outfits

A SPECIALTY. VICTORIA, B.C.

NOTICE

s hereby given that application will be de to the Parliament of Canada at its ext session for an act to incorporate a mpany with power to construct, acquire, operate and maintain a railway of ther standard or narrow gauge by either team, electricity or any other motive ower for the conveyance of passengers, reight and merchandise from a point at or ear Pyramid Harbor on Chilcat Inlet at he head of Lynn Canal in the Province of ritish Columbia, thence up the Chilcat ver to Chilcat summit, thence in a northerly direction by the most feasible route. the most feasible route near Five Finger rapids company all necessary roads, julp, charter, navigate, control, operate ad maintain steam and other passenger, eight and ferry steamers and vessels upon he rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent the line of said railway or in connection herewith or with the other operations and the line of said railway or in connection berewith or with the other operations and works of the company, and to carry on a ceneral express business, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines; and with power or acquire and build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of compressing air or generating electricity for lighting, heating and motor purposes; and to utilize herefor the natural water power of the dispitct; and to sell or otherwise dispose of the same or of the products thereof, and of any surplus electricity or other power generated by the company's works and not equired by the company for operating its allway or other works. And with power o expropriate lands for the purposes of the expropriate lands for the purposes of the mpany; and to acquire lands, bonuses, vileges, or other aid from any government, municipality, or other aid from any government, and the second seco eges, or other persons or municipality or other persons or corporate; and to make traffic and arrangements and connections with dy corporate; and to make traffic and or arrangements and connections with her railways or steamboat companies; if with power to build wagon roads to used in connection with the construction such railway or other works of the company and in advance of the same or otherwise, and to levy and collect toils from all titles using the same or any other roads the company, whether built before or and to levy and collect tolls from an using the same or any other roads company, whether built before or the construction of the railway, and all persons using the said railway, s or ferries of the company, and on eight passing over any of such roads, ay, ferries, wharves and vessels; and nower to buy, sell, manufacture and h power to buy, sell, manufacture and in all kinds of goods, wares, imple-nts, provisions, chattels and merchandise ents, provisions, chattels and merchandise; establish and maintain stores and trading susts, and to carry on any other business hich may be capable of being carried on connection with the company's other orks; and with power to carry on in all s branches a mining, milling and smelt-g business and to exercise mining rights and powers, and to erect or acquire all list and other machinery or contrivances cressary for the purposes, including the ection of saw mills and smelters; and ith all other usual, necessary or incidental that, powers and privileges as may be cressary or conducive to the attainment the above objects or any of them.

CARTHY, OSLER, HOSKIN' & CREEL-

CARTHY, OSLER, HOSKIN & CREEL-Solicitors for the Applicants. Toronto, 1st December, 1897. NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session by the Central Canada Loan and Savings Company of Ontario for an act to enable the said company to carry on business anywhere in the Dominion of Canada and to consolidate, define and declare its Habilities, obligations and rowers. obligations and powers.

Solicitor for Applicants. AKE NOTICE that application will be AKE NOTICE that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, on behalf of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited, for an act conferring on the company the following powers, in addition to those now possessed by them: To purchase or otherwise acquire the whole or any of the property and rights possessed by any raffer or charters from the Legislative Assembly of the Povince of British Columbia, and to rarry out and perform the works specified in such charter or charters, and to equip, work, maintain, improve and operate the said railways, and to carry on the business of telegraph and telephone companies, and to carry on the business of carriers by land or water, warehousemen and forwarding agents.

BODWELL, IRVING & DUFF, Solicitors for the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited.

Sth Nov., 1897.

Toronto, Dec. 14 .- Mrs. Janet Carlyle anning, sister of Thomas Carlyle, the thor, and the last member of the mily, died last night in this city aged

Mictoria Times.

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VICTORIA, B. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1897.

Their Lives in a Fire on

Freil Street.

Parliament - Government Con-

sidering Yukon Matters.

Freil street was burned down this morn-

ing, and Patrick Leahy and his five

children were burned to a crisp. The

Patrick, 2. Mrs. Leahy and her son

Frank were the only ones saved. It is

thought that Leahy, who was in the

habit of going around the house carry-

ing a lamp at night, set fire to the build-

A letter was received at the interior

department to-day from Major Walsh,

who said that he and his party had got

over the White Horse Rapids safely and

were starting to go across Lake La-

baerge, which he expected to do without

any trouble. No doubt he is now safe at

At the cabinet meeting of yesterday

Fort Selkirk.

dingly will be returned.

the Stickeen route into the Yukon. The

company is also looking for a liquor

on the boundary line near Midway; thence northerly, following the valley of

Boundary creek, to a point about twenty

miles north of Midway, with power to

construct and maintain branch lines and

to connect with the Spokane Falls &

Application will be made at the next

session to incorporate a company to con-

struct and maintain tramways for the

carriage of passengers, goods and boats

over portages at Miles' Canyon and

White Horse Rapids, respectively, on the

Lewis river, and collect tolls and to

Application will also be made at the

ext session by the Columbia & Western

ment Company, having a British Colum-

o bridge rivers or streams, or to utilize

Yorkville Fire Station.

THOS. J. WALLACE, Fireman.

Toronto. March 3rd, 1897.

Northern Railway Company.

construct landing stages, etc.

for other purposes.

use of same.

cured me of this trouble.

Municipal

permit

ing, which was a veritable fire-trap.

SPAIN IS TOTTERING

Members of the Royal Family Prepare to Fly to Escape Impending Revolution.

Weyler's Reception Most Significant -Menacing Attitude of the Populace.

London, Dec. 17 .- According to the St. James Gazette private letters received here from Madrid say that Gen. Weyler's reception there was most significant and the government is so alarmed by the menacing attitude of the populace that artillery have been stationed at concealed points commanding the main thoroughfares. The gunners, however, cannot be relied upon.

The wildest rumors are current with reports that preparations are making for the flight of the members of the royal family to France at the first sign of re-

Madrid, Dec. 17 .- The man who was found the other day in a ditch near Sargosa with his hands and feet tied, dressed as a woman, and who travelled on the same train as Gen. Weyler, has confessed he was tied and dressed in woman's clothing by three members of a secret society because he failed to as-sassinate Gen. Weyler. The latter says he was warned of the plot and was conscious through the journey that he was being followed by an assassin

ALPHONSE DAUDET DEAD, The Celebrated French Author Dies Suddenly During Dinner.

New York, Dec. 17.—The Figaro, according to a special to The Herald from Paris, gives the following additional facts about the death of Alponse Daudet, the anthor:

At half past 7 the whole family met at dinner. Mme. Daudet, the two sons, Leon and Lucien, Mile. Edmee Daudet and Mile. Allard, Mme. Daudet's mother. The gathering was a merry one and there was plenty of chat and laughter. Suddenly M. Daudet gave a cry and his It Is Rumored in Vienna That the head fell back. He had fallen into a syncope. It was then a quarter past S. Everything was done that could be done. A messenger was at once sent for Dr. Gilles de La Torrette. The family's anxiety was extreme, for M. Dandet showed no signs of recovering consciouspess. He had been carried to bed, pale and almost cold, and it was in vain that his wife and sons bent over him and called him by name. After a few minthe room the priest caught the doctor's view. eves and fell on his knees reciting the prayers for the dead. Every resourse of science was called into requisition, strong restoratives were administered and even an application of electricity was tried, but it was too late. Alphonse Daudet was dead.

A PECULIAR PROCEEDING.

Investigation Into Charges Against Judge Spinks Somewhat Farcical. Vancouver. Dec. 17.-Some people thought that Justice McColl was a little too previous and presumed somewhat on position when he condemned the socalled "extraordinary conduct" of the people who made charges against Judge Spinks, and which charges Justice Mc Coll was appointed a commissioner to investigate. Justice McColl sat at Vernon on Wednesday. Now all the witnesses in this matter are located in the vicinity of the city of Midway and Grand Forks. They had good authority for believing that the commission would be held next Tuesday at Midway, consequently they did not go to Vernon. It would have been a hardship to make them go there, and it is claimed that Justice Mc Coll should have consulted their convenience more. He lays himself under the charge of suiting Judge Spinks, by holding court at Vernon rather than at Midway, which is more convenient to accusers. The case must be re-opened if the ends of justice are to be met.

BRANCHING OUT.

Postal Telegraph Cable Co. Contemplate Large Extensions New York, Dec. 16.-At a meeting of the directors of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company Vive-President Baker

"We are going to spend a million dollars in reaching out into new territory. We intend to extend our line in the west Odgen and Salt Lake and in the Utah, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho states, Moreover, the chances are that we shall sconer or later have lines to the Klon-dike. Our understanding is that our Canadian company is getting ready to equip a line to Dawson City, and it is only a question of time until it will be in operation. Our lines now penetrate nearevery state in the union, but with the extensions contemplated the coming year we shall be able to compete with the Western Union in about every city in the country. We shall build one extension from Leadville to Odgen and Salt Lake, and another to Helena, thus connecting with our Rocky Mountain and Canadian Pacific systems."

BANK PRESIDENT GUILTY. Salt Lake, Dec. 17-James Z. Bacon was found guilty in the United States Circuit Court at midnight for making false entries in his reports to the Comptroller of the Currency when president of the National Bank of this city. He was found guilty on two counts, differing only technically. The penalty is from five to ten years' imprisonment, Bacon's prosecution grew out of the failure early last year of the Bank of Salt Lake,

president.

AIMED AT CANADA.

Purpose of the Bill Relating to Pelagic

Washington, Dec. 17.-It has devel- Six Members of a Family Lose oped that the bill relating to pelagic sealing which has just passed both branches of congress and is before the president contains a provision of far reaching importance which has thus far escaped attention. This is an absolute prohibition of the further bringing of seal skins into the United States from any source whatever. As the United States is the largest market in the world for seal skins, this complete stoppage of trade in this country will be a severe measure against the British and Canadians who take and care skins and dispose of them largely in the United

States. When the bill was proposed, it was generally understood that its only purpose was to prohibit American citizens engaging in pelagic sealing. This feature was the only one which attracted attention during the discussion. At the close of the bill, however is a section which is not restricted to Americans, but applies to sealskins in general. "taken in the waters mentioned in this act," which includes the whole Pacific ocean.

The provision is as follows:
"Section 9. That the importation into the United States by any person whatsoever of the furs of seal skins taken in waters mentioned in this act, whether raw, dressed, dyed or manufactured, is hereby prohibited, and all such articles imported after this act shall take effect, shall not be permitted to be exported but shall be seized by

the proper officers of the United States.' Those who are thoroughly familiar with the bill say that this provision is of far more importance in its effects than the prohibition against pelagic sealing by Americans.

GERMANY'S BIG GRAB

Said That China Will Agree to Her Retention of Kiao Chan Bay.

Russians Have Occupied Port Arthur.

London. Dec. 18 .- A dispatch from Shanghai asserts that China will acquiesce in Germany's retention of Kiao Chou Bay. Russia and France are irri- pending in Brazil both politically and said he could not understand why it had not already been employed. tated at Germany's precipitancy, thus utes of dreadful suspense the doctor prematurely disclosing the plans of Engreached the house and with him the land and Japan in a manner likely, says A dispatch to the Standard from Vien- irg this permission it is proposed that subjects of Great Britain.

Mr. Hitt answered some

na says it is rumored there that the Russians have occupied Port Arthur. Wilmelmshaven, Dec. 18.-The North ernment have decided to permit Ameri-German Lloyd steamer Darmstadt, hav- cans to ship goods to Alaska through ing on board a detachment of troops for Canadian territory in bond wherever China, has sailed from here. She was there are regular and bonafide transpor-

cheered by a large crowd of people.

Kiel, Dec. 18.—The North German Lloyd steamer Darmstadt, having on afterwards refunded upon reaching board a number of soldiers bound for | United States territory. China, and an immense amount of war marterial, which sailed from Wilhelmshaven yesterday, left here to-day for the Klondike Mining, Trading & Transporfar east. The steamer Crefield will follow with the rest of the volunteers and more war material.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

Capt. Sparling Dead-A Brakeman's Narrow Escape From Death.

Montreal Dec. 18.-Capt. W. Sparling, of the fire brigade, is dead.

Barrie, Dec. 18.—E. Donnell has been appointed town clerk and treasurer of

Barrie. Stratford, Dec. 18 .- John Brown, exmayor of Stratford, is the Liberal nomnee in North Perth for the assembly. Brantford, Dec. 18 .- Brakeman Wheeler, of the Grand Trunk railway, fell between the cars. Fortunately he fell between the tracks and by lying pros-

trate escaped injury.
Kingston, Dec. 18.—George Arnold was sentenced to five years in the Kingston penitentiary for a murderous assault on Turnkey Bruce in Whitby on the occasion of his escape in 1896.

HARMSWORTH'S GENEROSITY. Presents the Arctic Steamer Windward to Explorer Peary.

London, Dec. 17.-Alfred Harmsworth, proprietor of the Daily Mail, has presented the steamer Lieutenau: Peary. He will bear the expenses of overhauling her and sending her to the United States.

STUDENT ROBERT PEEL

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 17 .- Robert Peel, a grandson of Sir Robert Peel, the. great English statesman, is a student in Boone's Academy in Beckeley and will enter the College of Mining of the State University next year with the class of 1902. Young Peel was a student at Eton before coming to Berkeley and has two brothers in the British army.

AT MONTE CARLO New York, Dec. 17 .- A special to The Herald from Monte Carlo says: There is good authority for stating that farther concessions of lifty years have been granted to the Casino Company.

MARK TWAIN PLAYING UP. New York, Dec. 17.-The World says Mark Twain has recently paid \$25,000 to the creditors of the publishing firm of W. L. Webster & Co., in which he was a partner. He has now paid 75 per a private institution of which he was cent. of the debt which he considered himself in honor bound to make good. TO COERCE CANADA

The Bill to Prohibit Sealing Causes an Interesting Debate.

Washington, Dec. 16 .- In the house of representatives this afternoon Mr. Hitt, chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, secured unanimous consent for the consideration of the bill proposed by the senate yesterday to prohibit pelagic sealing by citizens of the United States. He Arranging a Date for the Opening of explained its scope and purpose and the necessity for its enactment. Mr. Hopkins, (Ills.) thought that a time limit should be placed on the operation of that act, so that in case the negotiations should col lapse American citizens would not be at Ottawa, Dec. 17 .- A frame building on disadvantage.

Mr. Hitt said the United States government did not admit that pelagic sealing was a right. It was a barbarity. We were pressing upon Great Britain negonames of the children are: Thomas, tiatio ons for the protection of the seals aged 8; Mamie, 6; Maggie, 4, and that the governments had already agreed to. If we were sincere we would pass this measure.

Mr. Johnson (N.D.), made a vigoron speech of an hour in oppisition to the bill. He said he had been humiliated and shamed by the complete surrender of American rights and honor at the Paris in his reference to Hon, Mr. Foster, who he termed the "great surrenderer," great was his reputation in that line that China had paid him \$100,000 for surrendering to Japan. He created much amusement by enumerating some of the expenses of the Paris tribunal, and said he did not marvel that the experts, who had already made so much out of the government, should desire to keep up an the government gave attention to the date for the meeting of parliament. A agitation which permitted them to draw big salaries and rove the world at the minister of the crown put it to your correspondent in this way: "Some members of the government think the 27th of expense of the public. Mr. Johnson, as another phase of the question, described January would scarcely give us time for the destruction of food fish by the seals. the preparation of all the bills, so that The recent increase in the catch at the t might better be left till February 3rd. fisheries on the Pacific coast and Alaska he attributed to the diminution of the Still nothing is finally decided, and January 27th may be kept for the opening." seal herd. If these wolves of the sea The Council to-day will consider the had been exterminated, he said, we would conditions under which Americans will not be sending relief to the miners in be allowed to take their goods over Can- Alaska. Each seal requires ten pounds adian trails to Alaska. This concession of fish per day. The coast of Alaska is given the United States for the priwould become the greatest cod fishery in vilege we enjoy at Dyea and Skagway. the world if these enemies of the fish were destroyed. Letters were received at the militia de-

partment to-day from the officers of the Mr. Hepburn (Iowa), expressed the Sixty-sixth Battalion, Halifax, withopinion that the United States had the drawing their resignations, which accorpower at any time to compel Canada to this whole question as to the E. E. Sheppard, trade commissioner to seals. Pelagic sealing was not worth South America, writing to the depart- more than \$250,000 per annum. The ment of trade and commerce, states that bonding privileges granted to Canadian he does not believe there is any possiroads, over which we had absolute conbility of lucrative trade between Canada trol, is worth twenty times as much to and Brazil, owing to the depressed con-Canada as the right of pelagic sealing. dition of the finances of Brazil. Mr. He advocated retaliation as the weapon Sheppard says he believes a crisis is im- to be used to bring Canada to terms and

ownership has become a live issue in Ottawa axing to the desire the bill, argued that if American citizens of a new electric lighting company to do business in this city. In place of grant-they should be bound jointly with the cure of Saint Clotilde. As they entered the dispatch, to defeat the objects in business in this city. In place of grant- they should be bound jointly with the

> Mr. Hitt answered some of the critithe existing electric and gas companies. cisms which had been advanced. The Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The Canadian govsaid, was pelagic sealing, which evil resulted in the killing of 30,000 seals an- miners to American territory." nually. And yet the gentleman from tation companies: where there are not. then customs does will be collected, and absolute slaughter of the entire seal herd. J. T. Bethune, of Victoria, is here ask-

on other nations? Mr. Hitt referred to ing the government on behalf of the the barbarity of the practice of killing the defenceless seal pups. After further detation Co., Sir Charles Tupper's company, bate the bill was passed; yeas 148, nays for assistance to build a wagon road by

MAY WHEAT AT \$1.50.

Chicago, Dec. 17.-George B. French. Application will be made at the next the recognized agent of the Leiter intersession for an act to incorporate a comest in wheat, has imparted a hit of inpany to construct a railway from a point formation which wheat speculators for on the international boundary line near many months have been anxious to know. Cascade City, B. C., thence in a westerly He also ventured a prediction on the direction, following the valley of the future of May wheat. Kettle river, to a point on the boundary line near Carson; also from another point

"Our wheat costs us very near 70 cents," said Mr. French, "and at that price we think we can afford to take it in, pay for it, and see what it looks like. Our proposition, as we have said right along, is simply that of merchandisers. As soon as the deficiency of supplies and the urgency of the demand become more apparent I will not be a bit surprised to see May wheat at \$1.50."

While Mr. French would give no infor mation as to the size of the line of wheat which he represents, he said: "We expect that all the wheat we have bought will be delivered to us."

CLUNG TO HER FIRST LOVE. Kansas City, Dec. 17.-Jesse Wall,

Railway Company for an act declaring young man well known in Independence. killed himself a year ago because he the railway to be a work for the general advantage of Canada, and to extend the could not marry Miss Leona Corder, the time for the completion of the road, and daughter of Jackson Corder, one of the old settlers of the town. Her parents The East Kootenay Railway Company had always favored J. H. Webb, a will apply to parliament for an act to wealthy young man of Lafayette county. declare the company to be for the gen-They insisted upon the marriage when Webb asked for her hand, and finaleral advantage of Canada, to authorize it to issue bonds to the extent of \$30,000 ly she consented and the wedding was set for last night. It was to have been per mile of its railway and to empower it to convey or lease the company's rail- an elaborate affair. As the hour for the ceremony approached Miss Corder be-The Great Commonwealth & Developcame hysterical and declared that she could not forget Wall. Ten o'clock came bia charter, is asking power from the and the supper was served, without the Dominion to construct a toll stage road, presence of the bride or groom, and it trom, electric or steam railway, or water was finally announced that Miss Corder nevigation course, or parts of each, with could not leave her room and the mara branch from some point on the Edriage ceremony would be performed there. So in the presence of only her monton branch of the C.P.R. to the Klondike, with the necessary powers for parents and the most intimate relatives each department, and to construct and of both, Mr. Webb and Miss Corder were operate ferries within certain distances married in her room.

waters for power of other purposes, to would not do: I would not do without improve and navigate with vessels rivers, lakes or streams and collect tolls for the Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost \$5 per bottle. It does all you ecommend it to do and more. -J. R. Wallace, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the word, and invaluable for Dear Sirs,-Having used Dr. Chase's Pills for costiveness, I am pleased to rhenmatism, lame back, sprains and say that I consider them superior to any bruises. Be ready for emergencies by pill I ever used, as they have perfectly buying a bottle at Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

I write this to let you know what I

THOSE REGULATIONS

Miners at Dawson Regard With Disfavor Any Attempt at Their Enforcement.

More Strong Resolutions Protesting Against the Imposition of Royalty Tax.

Dawson, N. W. T., Oct. 17, 1897 .-There is a possibility that the Canadian officials will insist upon the enforcement of the law relative to the collection of royalties and the reservation of every alternate claim for the government. The officials are reticent and are averse to discussing the subject, and, through sources emanating from the officials themselves, I am reliably informed that the principal officers of the government are strongly opposed to the contribunal. He was particularly sarcastic templated enforcement of the law. I asked Mr. Thomas Fawcett, the gold commissioner, if such a law had been

"It is the law of this territory," he re-

"Will it be enforced?" "I am not prepared to say." "From your knowledge of the official reports forwarded to the government at Ottawa relative to the practicability of such legislation on the eve of a grand effort to develop the mineral resources of the country are you of the opinion that the law will be enforced next

spring?" I asked. "I don't think I will," he replied after moment or two in deliberation. He positively declined to go into details and said that his official position barred hn from freely discussing There can be no doubt but that Mr. Fawcett realizes that 'he enforcement of such legislation would put a stop to the mineral development of the territory and robably close down more than one half of the mines in the district. One of the oldest miners in the camp,

Henry Thibert, a citizen of Canada, and a pioneer of this portion of the North American continent, and who has been a great assistance to the governmert in compiling maps of the country, is strongly opposed to the law. He

"What inducement is there for a man to spend years of his life in this country, living on meagre supplies and travmonutainous region looking for gold when the government will confiscate onea year ago the immense gold fields of admitted evil of the present system, he of the country, has a tendency to dis-

> A miners' meeting convened this aftered to exhibit their disapproval. The at- fits at Lake Tagish. tendance was equally divided between and misleading, and here were less claims were leased on a basis of one- his outfit be exempted? sioner Fa weett was present and declined | tors."

marked. enough to protest when the laws went will be any retaliation." into effect. The suggestion was frowned Representative Jones does not give sively attended.

again and he said:

those provisions."

from the states it would seem to me vised, and there are many mine owners here who regret that the proceedings took place. They apprehend that the government might look at the action as an intimation or threat.
WILLIAM J. JONES.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, which are made expressly for weak, sleepless, dyspeptic sufferers. Price 25 cents.



SIX BURNED TO DEATH.

BOYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK

Victims of the Fire in the Hotel Da-kota at Grand Forks.

Grand Forks, N. D., Dec. 18 .- Six persons lost their lives in the burning Hotel Dakota here yesterday morning. The names of the dead have not been learned, except those of Mr. and Mrs. C. Howe on the third floor. Two commercial travellers are believed to have perished, and a dining room girl and a railroad man, whose names are unknown, are also missing. As the register was burned, the number of the dead cannot be definitely given.

SLAP IN THE FACE

Dyea to Remain a Port of Entry Spite of the Ravings of Rampant Ignoramuses.

Eastern Politicians Point Out the Absurdity of the Sound Cities' Demands.

Allan B. Slauson, Washington correspondent of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer,

sends the following to his paper: Washington, Dec. 16 .- From conversations held with treasury officials regardeling through a wild country uninhabited ing the proposed abolition of the sub-port of entry of Dyes, Alaska, it seems rea-sonably certain that this will not be sonably certain Mr. Loud (California), in opposition to fifth of what you take out of the ground done, in spite of the strong presentation

that the Canadian government would covered. Such legislation discriminates promptly retaliate and do more injury against the development of the resources to American miners and prospectors than

cities. Senator Wilson said to-day: "Secre-M. D. (Mr. Johnson), proposed to meet noon in the public square and appointed tary Gage stated to Senator Perkins and this evil of a partial slaughter by an a committee to draft and prepare resomyself that several grave questions are lutions protesting to the Canadian gov- involved. His understanding, and that Was this a humane proposition from a government which was urging humanity royalty. A report had reached here that by reason of the concession grantthat the law was about to be enforced, and in a few hours the miners determin-

"'Now,' said the secretary, 'if we abol Canadians and Americans, and they all ish the sub-port at Dyea, will not more seemed to be of one opinion. The chair- burdensome charges be laid upon miners man said the object of the call was to entering Canadian territory? This quesformulate a petition to the Canadian tion is now undergoing an investigation government asserting that the stories by the department and an amicable and sent out broadcast to the effect that reasonable solution is hoped for at an

gold was to be easily gotten was false early date.

gold misleading, and here were less "'It is true,' said the secretary, 'that than forty claims that had proven ex- we can abolish the sub-port at Dyea, and cessively rich, and that it was the opin- thus deprive for a limited time British ion of the assembled miners that the Columbia from certain facilities now engovernment had been misled by unre- joyed, but will the American miner and liable reports into enforcing a royalty prospector be any better off? Will he not tax. It was reasoned that most of the have to pay more duty, and will any of

half and that 20 per cent. additional was "The secretary," continued Senator necessary to pay for sluice boxes, cab- Wilson, "will meet the senate committee ins and winters supply of wood and on commerce at an early date to thorthen, after deducting another 20 per oughly discuss the matter and reach the cent. royalty, there would be left but 10 | conclusion which will be to the best inper cent, for the owner. Gold Commis- terests of American miners and prospec-

to take part or make any statements | Senator Turner believes the sub-port with reference to instructions received ought to be abolished, but does not think from Ottawa, and said that any remarks it will be done. He recalled that some from him would be impolitic. "How- of the citizens of Seattle opposed its esever, when such laws go into effect it tablishment and that he himself at that will be time enough for me to make a time had objected to it. "It gave," said statement, and not till then," he re- the senator, "the British Columbia people some advantages to which they are not Some of the miners advised against the entitled on the score of comity, and I objects of the meeting and averred that it was ill advised and that it was time to dis-establish it. I do not think there

down and a committee of five old min- qualified assent to the contemplated acers was chosen to embody the object of tion. "The abolition of the sub-nort at the meeting in form of resolutions and Dyea," said he, "would be regarded as was ordered to report to-morrow after- discriminating against Canadian comnoon at a meeting which will be exten- merce. Canada is in a position to retaliate in a way that would bring dif-At the conclusion of the meeting I ficulty upon the heads of every interviewed Gold Commissioner Fawcett whose action contributed to provoke such retaliation, and the mass of thousands "There is an old provision on the sta- of our own citizens, who, under the tute books, enacted by the council, to liberal mining laws of Canada, have lothe effect that oyalties can be collected, cated mining claims all the way from but, like certain other laws in some of Rossland to the Klondike. While we the territories, there is a conflict, and do not permit Canadians to locate a foot it may be that it will not be enforced. of mineral bearing ground on this side That is an intimation only. Thus far I of the line, Canada permits our citizens have not been instructed to enforce to locate and own mines in her dominions on the same terms as her own With the limited information at hand citizens. The fact that we are less gencrous to her citizens than she is to ours that the meeting was Lasty and ill ad- might alone furnish her a legitimate excuse to discontinue this liberal policy. But if in addition to this discrimination against her miners we commit an act which her people without exception construe as a discrimination against her commerce, she may take steps that will make our commerce with the Klondike of little value. I for one do not wish to share any portion of blame for provok-ing such action on her part." ALLAN B. SAUSON.

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THE

ADVANCE, CANADA!

In face of the splendid progress the Dominion is now making it were cruel to make fun of the Opposition press who predicted all kinds of blue ruin and have been, until recently, industriously trying to turn every report of prosperity into a danger signal. It is the gracious thing to suppress the inclination to be sarcastic and jeering towards those dwellers in shades of opposition colder by many degrees than any Canadian opposition ever shivered in. We may, however, without unkindness draw attention to the altered tone of such foes of Liberal rule as the Toronto World, Mail and Empire, Montreal Star and Gazette, in speaking of Canada's resources. They are even enthusiastic over it; and they have much more to say about it and much less about the government under which it began and is continuing. The revenue returns for the five months of the fiscal year ending November 30th last, just issued, show revenue: \$14,651,077, and the expenditure \$11,415,225, leaving a surplus of \$3,248,852. The revenue is \$83,000 less than it was for the same period last year, while there is a saving in the expenditure of the current year of \$634,000. There was nearly half a million dollars increase in the revenue for the month of November, as compared with the same month in 1896 The customs alone show for the month an increase of over a quarter million dollars. The figures for the five months are as follows:

1896. Customs ... \$ 8,008,684 11 \$ 8,312,266 72 Excise ... 3,403,625 29 2,676,911 92 Post Office ... 1,175,000 00 1,430,000 00 1,716,443 23 431,160 63

Surplus ... \$3,248,852 00 The expenditure on capital account was nearly half a million dollars greater durincrease in the public debt was \$727,000. as against \$2,710,000 for the previous

There is no use of attempting to dispute the fact that Canada's present prosperity is unprecedented in the face of figures like the foregoing. Anyone proached those figures before may turn up the reports as far back as he wishes to explore and he will find himself convinced that the Dominion has far passed all the old high-water marks. In addition to the foregoing tables of figures we may quote the very interesting report of Mr. Bosworth, traffic manager of the C.P.R. in Eastern Canada, He says that eastern traffic is at present enormous, every foot of space in outgoing vessels being already engaged. The exports from St. John this year will be double those of last year. Mr. Bosworth states adians would scorn to embarrass the for anxiety in any case, because the Dyea that the Canadian Pacific have been forced to decline to receive several shipments of grain.

What we should like to see would be the early development of the trade with Japan and the Oriental countries, which can give us an unlimited market for our prevent such undesirable predicaments. products. The report of the Dominion commissioner, recently laid before the government, will not be allowed to lie long unattended to, seeing that the government is straining every nerve to find outlets for Canadian exports, and that there is not one unfavorable word in that report. To British Columbia the opening up of the Japan trade will mean commercial prosperity similar to that which is now being enjoyed in Eastern Canada. In the hands of the present Liberal government the matter is quite safe; efforts will, no doubt, be made before long to establish Canadian-Japanese trade on a basis similar to the Canadian-European traffic.

SPARE THE TREES.

It would be interesting to know who is responsible for the destruction of the ornamental shade trees on the government grounds at James Bay. We have too much confidence in the good taste of Victorians to doubt that the removal of those trees is viewed with feelings of the deepest indignation and sorrow. Those trees have taken from twentyfive to thirty years to attain their present proportions and beauty, and once destroyed they cannot be replaced until a period of similar duration has passed. Is this another crime-or worse than crime, a blunder-to be laid at the door of the chief commissioner of lands and warks? He is a gentleman from whom we should not expect either a keen aesthetic appreciation of natural beauty or the sensitive artistic perceptions of a cultured mind; we fancy Hon. Mr. Martin's prototype to have been the late Mr. Gradgrind, rather than the late author of "O woodman, spare that tree!" If Hon. Mr. Martin be trying to make Victoria look like his treeless ranch, so that he may not feel "lonesome" when staying here, but be constantly reminded of the unwooded vistas of his beloved district, we think he should not go into it in a half-hearted manner, but should spend every available cent he can get of the public money to produce a barren desert, in place of the smiling green spot that now is known az Victoria. We suggest that Hon. Mr. Martin have all the bright welvety turf around the buildings stripped off and the whole surface relaid with asphalt, cement, flagstones. bricks, or foundry cinders Hon. Mr. Martin will forfeit the esteem of the people and the admiration of those who have followed his devious windings since he took to ministering in the Turner cabal if he go timorously into this great | board; learning all about modern naval scheme of transforming Victoria from gunnery, torpedo management and the a beauty spot into a scab. The cutting manoeuvres of a ship of war in action, of them all.

down of those beautiful trees is vandal- While our young Canadians are laughism of the coarsest kind. No man with any pretence to good taste or refinement | ing that will help their country when can withhold his applause from the elo- war is forced upon it. quent protests of Messrs, Sorby and Ratdering this crime to be committed ought to be brought sharply to book for it.

GOING TO PIECES.

Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P.P for the North Riding of West Kootenay, has publicly the Turner government. The immediate cause of Mr. Kellie's defection is not a matter of much consequence: it is sufficient to know that he has, after mature consideration, resolved to withdraw his support from a government which he has the incompetency of the government and will assist in turning them out of power. There is no middle course of him to take. His action will seriously weaken the government; indeed, it may render it impossion. The government is going to pieces rapidly, but it cannot go to smash too quickly to please the country.

WORDS OF WARNING

In the cpinion of Hon. Edward Blake "Canada would have to bear the brunt of a hostile occupation by American troops in the event of war with the United States, and," continues Mr. ing the past five months than in 1896, sistence as a nation, when the war storm and something of business knowledge but \$100,000 less during the past month | that seems inevitable shall break over | could have so far forgotten themselves than for the same time last year. The the globe. Every Canadian worthy of as to draw the attention of the whole who imagines that Canada has ever ap- and who wish to arouse the people of the among people of any refinement, not to character to expect or submit to any when they should be working hard to We are not a warlike or even a mili-

> tions who have not so wholesome a detestation of these things, and to whom Canada as a prize would offer a magnificent incentive to quarrel. Now, more than ever Canada, the greatest gold land on earth, may well excite the cupidity of nations more powerful and not too scrupulous. What a prize ed States should the terrible event we have so much reason to dread come to pass! How many Canadians can for one moment realize in anything like its true proportions the horrors of a military occupation, even by troops so humane and amenable to the better promptings of nature as the American troops undoubtedly are? Very few. Let Canadians ask men from lands less favored what it is like to have the iron sceptre of martial law, in the hands of a stern commander, stretched forth over one's native country, whose slaughtered sons lie heaped and rotting on the battlefields and whose cities and towns clouded with have been plundered by the victorious soldiery and then given to the flames. This is not a fanciful picture, as anyone who has conversed with elderly men from the Southern States can witness. And what happened to the Southern States might happen to Canada. It is very fine and big for "eminently practical" personages to shout "nonsense!" to all suggestions that Canada prepare now

comes. We seek them not then in the front ranks or in any of the ranks of death. We prefer to hearken earnestly to the voice of patriots like Hon. Edward Blake and do what we can to warn our compatriots to take no chances. It is little short of a disgrace to Canada that her military establishment is so small; ridiculously small, in view of the fact that she has four hundred thousand able-bodied men between the ages of eighteen and forty to draw upon. We have been scoffing merrily at the Americans sending the Yantic to Detroit, but we have small cause to jeer; that is a direct warning to Canada that her great neighbor at the south is carnestly preparing for what may come. The Yantid will see upon ther decks year at the year, henceforth, hundreds of young Americans learning how to fight en ship, board; learning all about modern naval gunnery, torpedo management and the manoeuvres of a ship of war in action, ter year, lienceforth, hundreds of young Americans learning how to fight on ship.

ing at them and learning absolutely noth-

Why should not Canada have a tenbury. Whoever is responsible for or- strong naval reserve? Why should our militia not number at least one hundred thousand? Why should not our garrison artillery be armed with the very best modern weapons? Why should Caff- the coast cities. ada not possess thousands of cavalry Bke the Mounted Police In short, what is Canada thinking about? Is this dream announced that he will no longer support of British succour in case of an emergency to paralyze Canada's self-respect forever? We might further ask if Canada would not be infinitely better able to talk business without the "feeling of dependence and subserviency" Hon. Mr. Ross fears might result from reciprocity treaties hastily concluded with the consistently supported for many years. States if she had at her back a thor-Mr. Kellie has become disgusted with oughly-trained, well-officered, properlyequipped army of say one hundred thousand of her sturdy sons, and an effective naval reserve similarly equipped for instant action? In all the circumstances and in view of possibilities, every able bodied Canadian should either be a trainsible for them to live through next ses- ed soldier or a trained naval fighter.

THE DYEA DIVERSION.

All these petty squabbles over the Klondike trade, in which disputations the cities of Seattle, Portland and San Francisco are cutting anything but a pretty figure, will, we are quite confident, he amicably settled by the larger sense of the two governments. The behavior of the three American cities we have named, in attempting to drag their govern-Blake, "even Canadian valor would find ment into a position which could only it difficult to prevent that exceedingly have resulted in its stultification, is beunpleasant contingency." Thus one neath contempt. A parcel of school to the smelter and expects to make furgreat thinker after another places him- children wrangling over a game of mar- ther shipments this week. By the way, self on record to the effect that Canada | bies in a back alley might be expected should waste no time in taking those to do something similar to what has precautionary measures which may one been done by the boards of trade of those day save to her the precious jewel of cities, but it is very hard to realize that independence. Not to hint at the dark | boards of trade composed of grown men, possibility of her losing her actual ex- supposedly endowed with common sense the name should be a trained soldier. No continent to their miserable attempt to man of sound wind and limb in the strike a foul blow. What a subject for whole Dominion should be exempt from the cartoonists and the gay flaneurs of regular military training in some branch. New York and the eastern cities! Such They are no patriots who pooh-pooh conduct as Seattle, Portland and San the aspirations of those far-sighted men | Francisco have unitedly been guilty of who can see how defenceless Canada is, displays traits of human nature which Dominion to do something to help them- mention such altruistic things as philselves in case of an emergency. And osophy, are kept strictly out of sight. they are fooling themselves who hug We shall have grievously misunderstood the notion that Canada will be able to the character of the American nation as sit back and let Great Britain do the a whole if this trumpery protest from the fighting for her. In the event of war Pacific coast cities of the United States with a great power or combination of meet with approval at Washington. We powers Great Britain would have plen- are confident that the childish guilelessty to do to keep the seas with her fleet ness of the petitioners will be heartily and the more exposed points with her laughed at, and the petition relegated to army. It is no part of the Canadian | the department to which it rightfully belongs-the federal waste paper basket. such humiliating condition; the Can- British Columbians have no great cause mother country in the hour of peril by route, in the opinion of those best able appeals for succour. It is a strange ble man would take if he could have his thing, though, that the mass of the Can- choice of almost any other. The Dyea adian people do not seem to see that route is not to be spoken of for a moment "now's the day and now's the hour" in comparison with the Stickeen-Testin route. Fortune has been kind indeed to Canada; not only have we the richest gold fields in the world, but by far the them, running entirely best route to tary people; as a people we detest war | through Canadian territory. and we abhor mere militarism; but our (American) galled jade wince; our country is exposed to the attacks of na-

SHAWNIGAN DISTRICT. To the Editor: This settlement making rapid strides in the way of improvements this year. The settlers are making steady progress in the building

of the new Methodist church at Mil Bay notwithstanding the bad weather. Mr. Wilkinson has just finished un-Canada would be for the Unit- | ber that arrived at Mill Bay from Victoria, this being the second scow load this summer. There were six different orders on the last scow. This is shipping coals to Newcastle with a vengence, the same firm having shipped a scow load of lumber to Chemainus earlier in NIP. Cobble Hill, Dec. 16.

The fondest anticipation in a woman's life is when she is looking forward to the commanity that will some dread of the this excess ive anxiety i herself of the for the future; we know where those taken early during expectant period. personages disappear to when the trouble The special organs and nerve-centers pertaining to maternity are directly fortified

maternity and and reinforced by this wonder ful "Prescription." It gives the mother genuine, perms the mother genuine, canacity and cheerfulness can nent strength, capacity and enterthiness. It renders the ordeal of motherhood absolutely safe and comparatively easy; insures against subsequent relapse and prostration; promotes ample and healthful nourishment for the child and endows it with natural constitutional vigor.

For nearly thirty years Dr. Pierce has been chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute of Buffalo. N. Y. Any woman may consult him either personally or by letter free of charge, and with absolute assurance of receiving sound, practical advice from the highest professional authority. By enclosing thirty-one one-cent stamps to pay the cost of customs and mailing only, she will receive a paper-bound copy of Dr. Pierce's thousand-page illustrated book, "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," or a handsome cloth-bound copy, for fifty stamps.

Provincial News.

ASHCROFT.

Charles A. Semlin, M.P.P., leader of the Opposition in the provincial legislature, returned from a few days' visit to The snow continues to fall and good sleighing is had all along the road.

Sleighing parties are being indulged in by the inhabitants.
Word has been received from R. T. Ward from San Francisco, secretary of the Horsefly Gold Mining Company, whose works are at Horsefly river, B. C., that satisfactory arrangements have been made to carry the company's indebtedness, and accordingly assessment No. 2 of 90 cents per share on the company's capital stock has been rescinded by order

of the board of directors. Reports from Lillooet says that work on the Ida May and Ben d'Or group of claims is being continued and both properties are showing up well. Mr. Gibson, manager of the Ida May, is at present in Vancouver. When he left the tunnel was in 51 feet. The ledge is widening out and is all good ore, and a full force of men are working night and day. The company have just completed the purchase of the Trio mineral claim, adjoinirg the Ida May, making three in the group. On the Trio there is a good group. On the ledge similar to that on the Ida May .-B. C. Mining Journal.

ROSSLAND. Rossland, Dec. 18.—Considered from a mining standpoint, the past week has been a highly satisfactory one. Another an option of 50,000 shares in this company, held by the Eastern Mining Syndicate, expired on Friday and, although nothing positive has been heard from the syndicate, it is almost certain that the option will be taken up. The property in excellent shape.

The Le Roi Company has practically ompleted the extensive surface improvements undertaken on the property and work has been resumed full blast underground. It is expected that from How on close on to 2,000 tons of ore will be raised weekly. The company's smelter at Northport will be ready to commence

operations about January 1st The Le Roi's big neighbor to the north, the War Eagle, is in splendid shape. Work in one of the recently discovered ore chutes has actually been suspended for lack of space to store the ore.

In the matter of strikes the past week has not been devoid of interest. naps the most important was the discovery in the Abe Lincoln, on Deer Park Mountain, of a three-foot streak of some of the richest copper ore in the camp. It carries copper carbonates and red oxide of copper in unusually high pro-The Coxey, likewise, is getportions. ting good ore, while the Deer Park is sustaining the reputation it has so well

There is nothing new in the way of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's proposed smelter and railway, but the West Kootenay Electric Power Company expects to be furnishing motive force to the mines here by the middle of Janvary.' In this connection comes the pro- for burglary at Victoria. He was brought posed plant of the Taylor Air Compress- up before Capt. Pettendrigh, S.M., and ing Company, which will compress air by water power and pipe it to the various properties in the camp. The promoters say that they mean business and, as the project seems to be feasible, it would, f completed, prove a formidable rival to Sir Charles Ross' big electric power

The ore shipments for last week amounted to 1.720 tons. The total shipments so far this year aggregate 70,896 tons and the total shipments for the year will probably come to about 75,000 tons,

NEW WESTMINSTER

Miss Thornber, who died recently at Greenwood opened the public school there in September, 1896, and had ever since been in charge of it. She was educated in New Westminster, where her parents still reside, and where, under Principal H. Stramberg, she took her High School course: Besides being very attentive to her day school duties, she taught in Sunday school in Greenwood, and unselfishly placed her musical ability at disposal, both in connection with church services and public entertainments. At the time she was taken ill, she had in hand the providing of Christmas tree for the children of the town, a pleasant duty that must now develop upon others. She will be much missed, and her untimely death is sincerely mourned. The body was sent on Thursday, 7th inst., by special conveyince to Penticton, whence it was to be shipped by steamer and C. P. R. to New Westminster, for burial in the city in

which her girlhood was spent. The Board of Licence Commissioners met yesterday morning, when all the licences were renewed, that of the Caledonian hotel being transferred to P. Mc-Mahon. The Mayor expressed the opinion that clubs should be inspected. The closing exercises of the girl's di-

yesterday. Rev. M. H. McIntosh has accepted the call of the West Church and Knox Church congregations. some time engineer on the steamer Brunette, was found dead in the Eickhoff

louse, yesterday afternoon.

A sneak thief who gave the name of W. McNeely, was arrested by Sergeant Dillabough on Tuesday night. The man stole some underclothing from a Front street store, and when placed under arrest, made a daring dash for liberty, but was re-captured. He will be sentenced to-day. The many friends of Mr. C. D. Peele

will regret to learn that he is seriously ill, and that he has to have an operation performed. The coroner's inquest on the man Mc-Manus, who was found dead in his room at the Eichoff House, resulted in a verlict that he died from taking an overose of laudanum through misadventure.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock |

this afternoon. It appears that the de-

used has no relatives or friends in the

Word has been received from Wharck of the death on Sunday last, of ir. Semuel Robertson, one of the pioneers of the province. Deceased came to this province in 1844, crossing the

latter of whom survives him and is still which the K. & C. G. Co., Ltd., is the living at Langley. They built the post at Langley for the Hudson's Bay Company. Mr. Robertson engaged in farming for many years, and was very suc- earned at the expense of the very con-

At the closing exercises of the girls liking at all the manner of their promodivision of the Central School on Wedinesday, Miss Rogers was presented by Kiondike & Columbian Gold Fields of the pupils with a dozen silver spoons; Ltd., is the first Klondike comp Miss Robinson, with a dressing case declare a dividend. It is, as may and book; Miss Millard, with a hand-noted, the company in which the kerchief and glove case, and Miss M. F. Messrs. Turner and Pooley, with Mr. Homer, with a photo, stand. Yesterday Joseph Boscowitz, of Victoria, are in the boys' division was closed, and to-day terested as an advisory board in British the closing exercises will be held in the Columbia .- B. C. Mining Critic High School.

A steamer is being built in this city for special service on the Stickeen riv-

Already in the early stages of the sidewalk coasting in this city a chapter of serious accidents have happened. On Friday evening a son of Mr. Sawyer, of Twelfth street, had his leg broken; a son of Mr. Douglas had his head severely cut, and, besides these two bad accidents, there were several others of a minor nature. Is it not time that some action was taken in the matter by the city authorities for the prevention of tion. M. Faure's bed was of the modern children running the risk of fracturing style, entirely gilded and placed in a their limbs, as well as the danger of incurring a fatal accident? Every winter one or more accidents of a serious na-ture happen and there are at the present time in this city several children who are maimed, perhaps for life, through accidents while coasting. The prevention should be an easy matter, if gone about in a thorough manner, and it should be dealt with at once.

trade was held on Friday afternoon, when the proposed closing of the subport of Dyea by the American government was considered. The result of the meeting was the dispatch of the following telegram to Sir Richard Cartwright Dominion minister of trade and com-"American coast cities are merce: strongly urging their government to alter customs regulations in Alaska, or impose conditions such as will virtually prevent Canadian goods going to the Klondike, via Dyea, throwing the entire trade into the hands of Americans; but the board is confident that prompt and effective action will be taken to protect Canadian interests with respect to this aportant trade." Mr. Aulay Morrison, M.P., also wired the minister to the same effect, and the following reply was received from the deputy minister yes-"Am directed by minister to acknowledge receipt of yours, re Dyea and Tagish, and to say the matter is

receiving consideration.' A clever capture of a burglar was efected at Sumas City on Friday last by Constable Marquette, of Mission City, Station Agent James Schofield and Sectionman Thompson. On Thursday night the Bellevue Hotel at Mission City, of which Mr. P. Barnhardt is now the proprietor, was burglarized and \$51 taken from the till. Entrance was effected by cutting a hole in the door. The burglar started off for the boundary line, but just enough snow had fallen to leave his tracks and the police were soon in pursuit. Finding that he was being followed, the burglar hid the money in a barrel and took to the woods. Finally dowever, he was caught and was recognized by Constable Marquette as Julien Frieteg. who has just completed a sentence of four years in the provincial jail remanded till Wednesday.

TO THE FARMERS OF CANADA. The annual distribution of samples of some of the best varieties of seed grain to farmers for test in different parts of the Dominion has during the past ten years done much to direct attention to the importance of sowing the best sorts ligerants, and the stern orders from of seed, and in many sections of this country this introduction of new sorts has resulted in a decided improvement in the yield and quality of the grain produced. Nearly all the varieties sent out are grown on the experimental farms and are selected from among those which, after being submitted to careful and repeated tests, have produced the largest average crops of grain of good quality.

Having received instructions from the honorable minister of agriculture to contique this useful work and make another distribution during the coming season, I shall be pleased to receive applications from all who desire samples As heretofore, one sample of one variety only can be sent to each applicant, and the distribution will be confined samples of wheat, oats, barley, field peas, Indian corn and potatoes.

Among the varieties of grain to be distributed during the coming season will be some of the more promising of the new cross-bred sorts which have been produced on the experimental farms. All the grain sent out will be carefully cleaned and true to name. To prevent the disappointment which occurs when parties receive samples of varieties they already have, it would be well for each person applying to name two or three sorts which he would prefer, arranging them in the order of preference; when, vision of the Central school were held in case the stock of the first named va riety is exhausted, the second or third could be substituted. As it is proposed to only send these samples on personal single application, it is important that A man named Charles McManus, for every farmer who desires a sample should apply for himself. Lists of names will not be considered. All letters addressed to the Central Farm at Ottawa may be sent free of postage, and the samples weighing three pounds each will be sent free to the applicants through the mail. The distribution will begin early in December, and as the stock is limited and the applications will be filled in the order in which they are received, those sent in early will have the advantage. tions may, however, be sent in at any time before the 1st of March; but after that date the list will be closed, so as to ensure the sending out of all the samples in time for early sowing, WM. SAUNDERS.

Director Experimental Farms. A KLONDIKE CO.'S DIVIDEND.

The directors of the Klondike & Co. lumbian Gold Fields Company have deciared a first dividend of 20 per cent. on their stock, as to which £50,000 represents capital either paid or ranking as fully paid. This dividend with a surplus sufficient to pay-so the directors rockies in company with two pioneers, state—one or two more, results from the Messrs. J. Cromarty and J. Taylor, the flotation of two juvenile companies, of

cessful, as, besides leaving several well fiding shareholders of the two latter, at stocked farms, he had \$15,000 in the which well informed men of finance in the city look very much askance, not However, be this as it may, the Kiondike & Columbian Gold Fields Co., Ltd., is the first Klondike company to noted, the company in which the Hon,

THE RUSSIAN GREEN ROOM

While M. Faure was visiting the Czar he was given the title of High Excellency, and he was put to bed in the very room where the Grand Duke Constantine and his beautiful Polish wife slept when they lived in the Peterhof palace Every one who has read that delightful story of Russian plots and plotting entitled "The Green Book," will be pleased to know that this hage room has been somewhat changed since their occupa deep alcove on a low platform. The light is exceedingly trying in the Czar's palaces, for the windows are without shutters. But when the president of the French republic awoke he found this light intercepted by a superb Psyche made of Serves china, pale blue and gold, and provided with not less than 100 toiet accessaries, all in pure gold. we imagine that foreign palaces 1 HIS A special meeting of the board of be fitted up with every luxury, but there can be just as much inconvenience in the abode of royalty as in any backwoods cabin. For one thing is, or has been until very recently, absent from this splendid apartment, and that is the bathroom, without which the average American thinks he can't exist. Trundling a bath tub into a sleeping room when the inmate wishes to take a wash is the primitive and usual practice of most of the royal palaces, if foreign chronicles are to be credited. The reputation of M. Faure for personal fas tdiousness had evidently preceded him, as this great barn of a room in the Peterhof was supplied with every device for the toilet save hot running water, the most needed of modern luxuries, after all.—Boston Herald.

MRS. SLIM'S JOKE ON THE DOGS

The man who was doing the talking had endured a good many hard knocks while making a successful way through the world, and, like most persons who have survived such experiences, has very decided opinions of his own. "I've always regarded woman as the weaker vessel, he said, "but I want to say right here that Mrs. Slims is a very remarkable person. don't believe she could tell a Percheron from a Kentucky thoroughbred, yet I saw her start a balky horse the other day, after twenty men and boys had been kicking, beating and cursing the poor brute for half an hour. The persuasion she used was a couple of lumps of sugar and a few kind words.

"But it was just yesterday that she convinced me of her great superiority. You can gauge her knowledge of dogs from the fact that she paid \$5 for a long haired mongrel puppy, under the impres sion that she was buying an aristocratic pug. Slims has a bull terrier that's a professional fighter, and Torton, who ives next door, owns a big St B The two dogs began an argument through the fence, and the larger one simplified matters by crashing through a ard into Slims' yard. The whole neighborhood was soon engaged in an effort to part them. Strong hands tugged at tails, leg and ears. Clubs were freely used, water was dashed on the belthem to 'break away' could be heard blocks off. When Mrs. Slims appeared on the scene she seemed to grasp the in one terrified glance. She situation flew into the house, dashed out again, and inside of a minute had the savage fighters slinking away from each other.

"How did she do it?" "Bottle of ammonia. Surest thing on earth to break up a dog fight, and it's original with her. Why, these two terrible beasts quit like pet sheep, and the joke of it is that each dog thinks the other administered the awful dose. They never see each other, now that they do not curl up their poses as though sniff-ing ammonia, and trot briskly in opposite directions."-Detroit Free Press.

BARNYARD CERAMICS.

They were talking about extraordinary matters which are unknown to people generally, and a man told this strange

"You may think you know a good deal yourself, but every day you can look over our neighbor's back fence and see something to surprise and enlighten you. The other morning I noticed two dry goods boxes full of broken china in the yard of a friend of mine, and I thought that some old closet must have toppled over and created this wholesale smash up in crockery. The broken china was not carted away, however, and as my wife and children, and even the cook began to be exercised about the matter, I took occasion to ask him about it. 'That old china,' he said; 'well per

haps you know, but if you don't, you never could guess in 1,000 years what this is for. I keep hens, and they have to have material to eat which will make eggshells. An acquainance of mine, also a hen fancier, told me that if I could get a lot of broken china, he had a machine which would grind it to powder so it could be eaten by the chickens, and go to the making of egg-shells. My business office is next door to a wholesale china house; and they gave me those boxes of catastrophe china, just for the pleasure of getting rid of it. When I get the thing going I intend to make money on it. separate the broken china; and, by feeding Dresden china dust to certain hens I can sell real Dresden china eggs; Sevres, Wedgwaad, Limoges, Rookwood, Delft and so on. Hens may not be able to hatch china eggs, but, by George, they can lay china eggs, and this is the truth I'm giving you."—Detroit Free

"Depend upon it, where there's smeke

there's fire."
"Why did you say that?" "I've proved it. It was against the rules to smoke in our office. I smoked and was fired." Philadelphia North Am-

MORE POLICE FOR THE Y

Another Detachment, One and Fifty Strong, to Leave in January.

Post Office Department Adon Note System in Vogue in United Kingdom.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The governdecided to send 150 more Moun to the Yukon. They will be the Regina district. The firment will leave early in Janua supplies will also be sent for

fifty more dogs. Hon, Mr. Mullock has decide the postal note system in vos United Kingdom. The system into operation on July 1st, 18 notes, about the size of bank be printed in thin linen paper lowing denominations: Twent five, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty eighty and ninety cents; one dollar and a half, two dollars lars and a half, four and fi The cost of purchasing them cent each up to forty cents, tw tween that figure and \$2.50, cents each for all above that. notes will replace the post of orders for the transmission of sums through the post. The pe will be a great convenience away with the payment of smal in postage stamps. No identific be necessary to pay postal note tation being all that is necess cure payment. The postmas has authorized a change to be reference to mail matter from B.C., to several places on th road as far north from Fort toria about the 15th of Januar mail will be confined to le nature of the route precluveyance of bulky matter.

Hon. Mr. Sifton has decid Frank Pedley, commissioner tion at Ottawa, out to the Pass to investigate for the complaints of laborers empl struction. He will leave im Inspector Wood writes the partment from Skagway, s Major Walsh lost one of hi some provisions while enterin barge. A man named Freema

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THE RUSSIAN GREEN ROOM

While M. Faure was visiting the Czar was given the title of High Excellenand he was put to bed in the very m where the Grand Duke Constane and his beautiful Polish wife slepen they lived in the Peterhof palace ery one who has read that delightful of Russian plots and plotting ened "The Green Book," will be pleased know that this hage room has been newhat changed since their occupa-. M. Faure's bed was of the modern , entirely gilded and placed in p alcove on a low platform. The ht is exceedingly trying in the Czar's aces, for the windows are without tters. But when the president of the nch republic awoke he found this ht intercepted by a superb Psyche de of Serves china, pale blue and and provided with not less than toiet accessaries, all in pure gold. imagine that foreign palaces i-ust fitted up with every luxury, but re can be just as much inconvenien the abode of royalty as in any backods cabin. For one thing is, or has en until very recently, absent from splendid apartment, and that is the oom, without which the average erican thinks he can't exist. Trunda bath tub into a sleeping room en the inmate wishes to take a wash the primitive and usual practice of st of the royal palaces, if foreign onicles are to be credited. The retation of M. Faure for personal fasasness had evidently preceded him, this great barn of a room in the Pehof was supplied with every device the toilet save hot running water, most needed of modern luxuries, afall.—Boston Herald.

RS. SLIM'S JOKE ON THE DOGS.

The man who was doing the talking. endured a good many hard knocks ile making a successful way through world, and, like most persons who e survived such experiences, has very ded opinions of his own. "I've always arded woman as the weaker vessel, aid, "but I want to say right here that s. Slims is a very remarkable person. n't believe she could tell a Percheron m a Kentucky thoroughbred, yet I saw start a balky horse the other day, twenty men and boys had been king, beating and cursing the poor nte for half an hour. The persuasion used was a couple of lumps of sugar few kind words.

But it was just yesterday that she ivinced me of her great superiority. gauge her knowledge of dogs m the fact that she paid \$5 for a long ired mongrel puppy, under the impresin that she was buying an aristocratic Slims has a bull terrier that's a es next door, owns a big St. Bernard. two dogs began an argument ough the fence, and the larger oneplified matters by crashing through a rd into Slims' yard. The whole neighhood was soon engaged in an effort part them. Strong hands tugged at leg and ears. Clubs were freely ed, water was dashed on the belerants, and the stern orders from m to 'break away' could be heard ks off. When Mrs. Slims appeared the scene she seemed to grasp the nation in one terrified glance. She into the house, dashed out again. inside of a minute had the savage iters slinking away from each other. 'How did she do it?"

Bottle of ammonia. Surest thing on th to break up a dog fight, and it's ginal with her. Why, these two terde beasts quit like pet sheep, and the se of it is that each dog thinks the er administered the awful dose. They er see each other now that they do curl up their noses as though sniffng ammonia, and trot briskly in opite directions."-Detroit Free Press.

BARNYARD CERAMICS.

They were talking about extraordinary tters which are unknown to peop nerally, and a man told this strange You may think you know a good deal

urself, but every day you can look ver our neighbor's back fence and see mething to surprise and enlighten you. ne other morning I noticed two dry ods boxes full of broken ching in the rd of a friend of mine, and I thought some old closet must have toppled r and created this wholesale n crockery. The broken china was carted away, however, and as my and children, and even the cook, n to be exercised about the matter, ook occasion to ask him about it. That old china,' he said; 'well peryou know, but if you don't, you could guess in 1,000 years what is for. I keep hens, and they have ave material to eat which will make shells. An acquainance of mine, also hen fancier, told me that if I could a lot of broken china, he had a chine which would grind it to powder it could be eaten by the chickens, go to the making of My business office or to a wholesale china house; and ey gave me those boxes of catastrophe a, just for the pleasure of getting id of it. When I get the thing going intend to make money on it. I will parate the broken china; and, by feed-Dresden china dust to certain hens can sell real Dresden china eggs; Se res, Wedgwaad, Limoges, Rookwood res. Wedgwaad, Linioges, Delft and so on. Hens may not be o hatch china eggs, but, by George, hey can lay china eggs, and this is the ruth I'm, giving you."—Detroit Error

"Depend upon it, where there's smeke here's fire." Why did you say that?" "I've proved it. It was against the les to smoke in our office. I smoked nd was fired." Philadelphia North Am-

MORE POLICE FOR THE YUKON

Another Detachment, One Hundred and Fifty Strong, to Leave Early in January. Ha te

Post Office Department Adopts Postal Note System in Vogue in the United Kingdom.

Optawa, Dec. 20.-The government has decided to send 150 more Mounted Police to the Yukon. They will be selected in the Regina district. The first detachment will leave early in January. More supplies will also be sent forward and

fifty more dogs.

Hon, Mr. Mullock has decided to adopt the postal note system in vogue in the United Kingdom. The system will come into operation on July 1st, 1898. Paper notes, about the size of bank notes, will be printed in thin linen paper of the following denominations: Twenty, twentyfive, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty, seventy, eighty and ninety cents; one dollar, one dollar and a half, two dollars, two dollars and a half, four and five dollars. The cost of purchasing them will be one cent each up to forty cents, two cents between that figure and \$2.50, and three cents each for all above that. The postal notes will replace the post office money orders for the transmission of all small sums through the post. The postal notes will be a great convenience and will do away with the payment of small accounts in postage stamps. No identification will be necessary to pay postal notes, presentation being all that is necessary to secure payment. The postmaster-general has authorized a change to be made with reference to mail matter from Victoria, B.C., to several places on the Stickeen road as far north from Fort Wrangel as Lake Teslin. A carrier will leave Victoria about the 15th of January, and the mail will be confined to letters. The nature of the route precludes the conveyance of bulky matter.

Hon. Mr. Sifton has decided to send Frank Pedley, commissioner of immigration at Ottawa, out to the Crow's Nest Pass to investigate for the government complaints of laborers employed on con-struction. He will leave immediately. Inspector Wood writes the interior department from Skagway, stating that Major Walsh lost one of his boats and

some provisions while entering Lake Labarge. A man named Freeman, from Seattle, who was with the party, was drowned. Alex Begg, who owns the charter for a ra'lway line from the Stickeen river across to Teslin lake, is in Ottawa to-day in connection with this project. He

has forced the promotion of the scheme for this line which the C.P.R. now talks of constructing. The customs authorities have had too frequent friction with the post office lepartment over packages brought into the country by post. A new regulation promulgated to-day will make the law much more strict and obviate the free entry of many packages which should

JAPAN NOT A CATSPAW. Declines to be Drawn Into Hawaiian

Washington, Dec. 18 .- The views attributed to ex-S-cretary Foster in a recent interview to the Associated Press in relation to the danger or Japanese lomination in Hawaii in the event of the failure of annexation, nave occasioned much comment among the Jap anese officials in this city. The Japanese minister said to-day that in his opinion it was hardly fair to attempt to draw Japan into the annexation controversy

"Every well informed person," said he, knows that Japan is holding strictly aloof from that controversy, and that her government has given conclusive proof of the fact that it has no designs, mmediate or remote, upon the Hawaiian islands. The friends of annexation might therefore afford to allow the question to be settled upon its merits without constantly endeavoring to use Japan

as a catspaw. "The Leged danger of Japanese domination has alwaps been a strong argument with some of the overzealous friends of annexation, but it has been repeatedly refuted, and its repetition can serve no good purpose now. Japanese immigration in Hawaii involves no other question than that of demand and sup-

She has no purpose of 'dominating' Hawaii, and since the facts clearly in dicate that the presence of Japanese laborers in the islands in greater or smaller numbers is something which depends entirely upon natural causes, her friends feel that they are justified in strongly deprecating the irritating repetition of this discredited argument about the dangers of Japanese domination."

NOT DONE FIGTHING.

Durrant's Father Will Try Again to Save His Son's Life.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—The father of Theodore Durrant, the condemned murderer. savs:

"We have not given up the fight for my son's life. We will try to get a writ of error from the state supreme court of the United States supreme court. If this is denied we will go direct to the latter court and make application, that is, if we can raise the money, for the expenses of the long litigation has im-

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

C.P.R. Business Booming-La Minerve Ceases Publication.

Perth, Dec. 20.—An order has been received at the C.P.R. shops for fifteen undred box cars. Kingston, Dec. 20.—Rev. G. L. Starr. of Norway, has been appointed to succeed Rev. Beamish as curate of St. George's

Montreal, Dec. 20.-La Minerve, the French morning Conservative paper, which has been published continually for forty-four years, suspended publication owing to lack of funds. C. Macdonald has made another gift of \$300,000 to the McGill University. Driard.

His total contribution now amounts to about two and a half million dollars.

JACK DALTON'S VIEWS On the Proposed Relief Expedition to · Dawson City.

Seattle, Dec. 20 .- Jack Dalton, after whom the Dalton trail is named speaking of the proposed relief exedition of the United States government to Alaska, said:
"The proposal to use the reindeer teams does not strike me as being the

right thing. "Instead of reindeer the departmen ought to get together a large number of hard horses. Sufficient food should be taken along to feed them, and they could do better work than the reindeer. I would use sleds in carrying food for the men, and provender for the horses. To handle reindeer expeditiously it would be necessary to have relay stations esroute by which to take in relief, said he would go over the Chilcoot pass and then down the lakes and Yukon river over

BRITISHERS AMUSED

Over the Goings on at Kiel Over Prince Henry's Departure for China.

Emperar's Bombastic Utterances Over Germany's Grab of Kiao Chau Bay.

London, Dec. 18.—The terrific goings week. Pale fear, says the German lorgan in Vienna, will penetrate John Bull's marrow as he reads of it.

laughter over the farcical melodrama, such as no coming Christmas pantomine can hope to rival.

planted in Chinese soil a shield emblazoned with the imperial eagle, in order Berlin tables." to afford protection once for all, to him grandma, taking what every half-seasoned sailor would regard as a pleasant and one 4,000 ton cruiser in order to seone dreams of a single shot being fired.

To closer students of European affairs, however, there seems much method in the emperor's madness. The average Englishman who is loudly laughing today, will probably be puzzling his brain next week as to whether the German craze for naval power is not a thing to e reckoned with.

It may have been more than a mere joke, when, talking to Count Zechy, the Emperor said: "You should visit China. By the time you get there you will find Prince Henry Emperor of China."
Why may not Emperor William found a second India for Germany in China as a means of imperial aggrand izement and averting a social revolution threatened at home?

BACK FROM FAIRVIEW.

Return of W. A. Dier and A. A. Davidson-The Tin Horn a Success.

A. A. Davidson and W. A. Dier, of the firm of Dier, Davidson & Russell, the Fairview mining operators, returned on Saturday evening from Fairview, where they have been for some time past superintending work on their various proper ties and the erection of the stamp mill

on the Tin Horn mine.

The result of the mill run on the Tin Horn proved in every sense highly satisfactory. Owing to the incompleteness of the mill and that lack of proper facilities which is experienced in all such undertakings at the start, the mill test was not as complete as might have been desired; but enough was accomplished to prove beyond all shadow of a doubt that the Tin Horn is "a winner" and as valuable a property as the most san-

guine anticipated. Fairview itself is decidedly lively. Buildings are being erected on every hand, population is pouring in and there is every indication of the advent of an era of prosperity with the arrival of

Development on all the mining properties in the camp is being vigorously pushed. The Stemwinder is showing up remarkably well, a 7-foot ledge of very rich ore being recently uncovered. The owners of the Joe Dandy mine have commenced operations on the site of the large stamp mill to be erected on their

Messrs. Dier and Davidson will spend the holidays in Victoria, afterwards returning to Fairview.

HAVE FAITH IN FETISHES. Many Colored People Believe That Snake Skin Will Ward Off Evil.

Belief in the efficacy of fetishes is still prevalent among a certain class of colored people in this city, and probably no one has the superstition brought so forcibly to his attention as Head Keeper Manley of the zoo, says the Philadelphia Record. Constant applications are made to him for materials for love charms by both sexes. materials for love charms by both sexes. Most often the request is for a little piece of snake skin, which, when powdered by a witch doctor and put in a locket, to be suspended from the possessor's neck is considered to be a sure winner of affections. To supply the demand a number of skins taken from the reptiles that die in captivity are always kept on hand. The soft breast feathers from the African gray parrots are saved, for other wooers, who prize them just its highly. Keeper Manley is called upon to supply fetishes to insure success in combat, as well as in love. Several negro prize fighters well known in the local ring carry a little bunch of hair clipped from the tuft on the end of the old dion's tall. These, bristles are thought to give the wearer unbounded courage and srength.

of the C.P.R. at Vancouver, is at the

PORT ARTHUR

Fritish Far Eastern Squadron Shortly Expected to Proceed to That Point.

Peculiar Incidents in Connection With Russia's Occupation of the Harbor.

graphs his paper that he learns on relitablished a day's journey apart, with food for the animals at these stations."

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> to the correspondent mentioned, is shortly expected at Port Arthur. The Cologne Gazette regards the occupation as a continuance of the co-operation of Germany with Russia in the

eastern Asia. Osborne, Isle of Wight, Dec. 20 .-Prince Henry of Prussia slept at Osborne after visiting the Queen and returned on board the German cruiser Deutschland at 10:30 this morning. If the weather permits coaling, he will resume his journey to China to-morrow morning. The customary salutes were

exchanged this morning. London, Dec. 20.-An unconfirmed report is current here that part of the British far eastern squadron will be stationon at Kiel over Prince Henry's de- ed at Wei-Hai-Wei this winter. If true parture for China have been the all-ab- this indicates that Great Britain is worksorbing topic with Englishmen in this ing with Japan. The latter still occupies week. Pale fear, says the German for Wei-Hai Wei pending, the payment of the Chinese war indemnity.

The evening newspapers are much dis-

turbed over the situation. "What do we As a matter of fact, Jahn Bull's first | get?" is the burden of their complaint. impulse has been to split his sides with They all insist on the necessity of immediate action. The Globe says; "Russia and Germany

now have thertwo, most important strate-When the Kaiser talks of "Skating my gical positions in Northern China, and only Brother," and calls "Heaven to Great Britain, whose commercial interwitness how the Germans have firmly ests are greater, must be content with the crumbs from St. Petersburg and

The Pall Mall Gazette, in reply to the who applies for it." The Englishman Standard's inquiry as to America's atti-rudely laughs and recalls that German tude, remarks: "Every naval state in Michael is the mildest mannered of the world is concerned in the disturbance young men, the idol of his English of the equilibrium in the far east, Great Britain, France and Japan especially, but the United States cannot be treaten cruise with one seven thousand ton, as a quantity and be ignored. The tame twenty-three year-old iron battleship, acquiesence with these seizures is not acquiesence with these seizures is not worthy our past and fatal to our future. cure a coaling station, which is practial worthy our past and fatal to our returned. We may remark, we shall not be with-out sympathizers, as the Japanese will out sympathizers, as the Japanese will most joyfully back any scheme to re-dress the bitter humiliation they suffered at the hands of Russia."

Advices received from Paris show that France is awaiting Great Britain's ac-If Great Britain follows the lead of Russia and occupies a sea port, France forthwith follows it. London, Dec. 20 .- At the inquest today on the remains of Wm. Terriss, the actor, a coroner's jury rendered a verdict of wilful murder. William Terriss was stabbed and killed on Thurs-

day night 'Super' Richard Ar-thur, principally known as "Mad Art," as the actor was about to enter the stage

WAS A GRAND GAME

Victoria Rugby Team at Last Scores a Win Over the Hornets of Nanaimo.

How the Home Team Managed to Accomplish the Unexpected - Some Brilliant Plays.

Saturday afternoon before a fair sized crowd the Victoria rugby football team defeated the Nanaimo team by 18 points to nothing, and in doing so they got even for a long line of beatings administered to them by the hitherto invincible Hornets. The game was a beauty, chuck full of splendid runs, good tickled the crowd immensely-one was beautiful drop kick from the field by Schofield, scoring four points, and the other was a try, which was actually converted. In place kicking the team can learn a lot. Surely it would not take long to find out who is the best place kicker on the team, and when once he is settled on he should do it all. Captain A. T. Goward at half back was a corker and directed the movements of his team in a skilful manner. He is the best captain Victoria has had in many a day. The game was commenced about 3 o'clock by Captain Bamford, and the Hornets for a few minutes had the best of the play, the Victoria forwards, with the exception of Macrae, at first seeming to be asleep and wandering about with a far away look, and time and again failing to fall on the ball. However, they soon realized that they must get a move on, and move they A. T. Goward from a scrimmage passed to Gamble, who ran and placed o Schofield, and he in turn gave it to Cullen, who ran for thirty yards and then passed to Schofield, who was thrown, and was trying hard to wiggle over the line when the zealous Macrae grabbed the ball and fell on it over the line, securing the first try. The kick was a difficult one, but "Giddy" Goward. who, at full back, played a good game, drove the ball just over the bar and the Victoria team were on "easy street" with five points to their credit.

A series of scrimmages followed, from one of which A. T. Goward got away and looked like scoring, but Bamford and Quine nailed him. Then followed a general mix-up, in which Schofield got the ball, and there being no chance for him George McL. Brown, executive agent to run, he took a quick shot at goal and the C.P.R. at Vancouver, is at the prett'est play of the day, and the crowd ing from Vancouver.

showed its appreciation by giving the long-haired player an ovation.

The play from now until the whistle blew for half time was in the centre of

When the teams lined up for the sec-

ond half Nanaimo was one man short their full back, Dempster, having been hurt. He had been doing some hard tackling and was badly shaken up. Quine returned the kick off and gained on the exchange, but the ball was carried down by Goward too near the line and Nanaimo touched down in defence. Bam ford kicked off/and his followers, led by the active Wilcox, rushed the hall well up the field. They made a lot of ground by kicking high and following up, thus giving the Victoria back division no chance to run or kick. This was the only time they looked really like scor Berlin, Sept. 20.—The Paris corres-pondent of the Cologne Gazette tele-ed by Bamford, who skirted the scrimmage in quck style.. Goward then made able authority that the Russian occupa- a short run and passed to Gamble, who tion of Port Arthur is connected with ran and passed to Wilson, who went visit there of the British ship over for another try. "Giddy" Goward way and went over several times; but ascertain whether Russian ships were were called back for offside plays, there. China complained of the incident Haines and Goward both made good runs, and the latter passed to Gamble, who had been working like a Trojan, and this time he would not be denied. He said to be at Talicmoan, and, according failed to convert his try into a goal. Nanaimo then rushed the ball to very near Victoria's goal line, but the speedy Schofield, who eluded everybody for seventy-five yards and then fell. Soon after Loveland ran around the end and touched the ball down directly behind the goal. Haines did not come anywhere near making a goal of the place kick. Nothing of interest happened after this. For Nanaimo Bamford made several good short runs and Wilcox and Quine were also especially noticeable. For Victoria Captain Goward, Macrae and all the three-quarters, Gamble, Wilson, Cullen and Schofield, were the shining lights. Cullen now plays like veteran, and on a slippery ground is a wonder at keeping on his feet.

As usual "Bob" Foster was very much evidence, and once when things were etting a little slow he called out Gamble to kick in the neck" a dog that was getting interested in the scrimmage E. E. Billinghurst was referee and Temple Cornwall and Todd Holmes carried the flags on the touch line.

Hats off to Captain A. T. Goward. It is rumored that Frank Cullen is go ing to run for alderman in James Bay

Kenneth Macrae is not a fast sprinter but he follows up the best of any man on Clark Gamble and Kenny Schofield

have been kept busy since the game opening letters from lady admirers asking for locks of their hair. When Frank Cullen skirts the scrimmage it reminds one of the old days when used to cut rings around "Chub"

They say Atkins has been offered the position of chief of police in Nanaimo. "We are not going to play football any more this year."-the Vancouver team.

BASKETBALL.

The Second Game. The VMCA Swifts and No. 1 com pathy of the Frst Battalion basketball eams will meet this evening at the Y MIC.A. basketball hall, on Fort street, in the second league game of the season. The Swifts' team will be: Guard, A. Reid; backs, W. Kinsman and P. Smith; Chillen and C. Wilson, Reserve, W.

FOOTBALL.

Columbias Won. Victoria College were defeated at Beacon Hill on Saturday by the Columbias by a score of three goals to noth-

SPOILED THE DINNER FOR HIM. How One Came to be Beaten for Office

By His Opponent's Wife. "Bluest Thanksgiving I ever spent," ar unconquerable autipathy to practical politics. "It stands out in my memory like an obelisk on a plain, and it was

of so very long ago, either. "I had been induced that fall to run for an important public office. It was done against my better judgment and under great pressure, but when a man enters such a fight he wants to win. I was in a close district and wanted to put up the very best fight that the circumstances would permit. I advertised at once for an extra stenographer and catching and kicking, and hard, clean tackles. Two features of the match a beautiful, bright and dashing young woman, who justified my im faith in her abilty. She did all my private correspondence, knew as much about the inside of the campaign as I did, worked day and night with a willingness that was surprising and even Sound this morning to endeavor to took from one of my shrewdest advisers the stranded steamer Cleveland. a list of voters in the strongest section with which I had to contend, with full instructions as to how the most influential persons among them could be won to my cause. It was great work, and yet I fell several hundred short of the

ormal party vote. "My successful opponent lived in a neighboring town, and graciously invited me to be his guest on the following Thanksgiving, It would have looked surly to refuse, and so I went. It was really an admirable social function, but the few hours I put in there were torture. The host met with a hearty handclasp. Turning he said, "My wife." Resplendent in satin and jewels, I saw my stenographer. 'Love and war,' she mur-mured. 'He thinks I was visiting my old home in New England.' I held my peace, but that fatted turkey tasted like eork."

Mistress (to unsophisticated maid from he country)—I am sadly afraid I shall the country)-I am sadly afraid I shall have to dismiss you, Eliza; your untidy ways—and then the things you break!

Unsophisticated Maid—O, if you please, mum, don't send me away yet; my mother says if I stay here and learn how to do things I can then go to a real good place in some high "unily.—Phila-

Dr. Powell was a passenger last even-

ARE PICKED UP

Twelve of the Men From the Stranded Cleveland Found by the Quadra. de oud

2010/11/01 TOTAL George Carillo, the Waiter, Dies From Exposure and Cold-The Rescued.

Second Mate Henderson's Boat Containing Nine Men Is Still Missing.

Thirteen of the missing men from the wrecked steamer Cleveland have been found, one of them, George Carillo, dead, but the other twelve alive and not have "belittled" their office. It is to be rible experience. Another boat with nine men in it is still missing.

The two boats, those commanded by the first and third mates, were found by the Dominion Government steamer Quadra, on Friday last, the first mate's at Rafael Point, Flores Island, at the entrance to Clayoquot Sound, and the third mate's at Hesquiot, just above Flores Island. The rescued men are:

S. P. Burfee, first officer . H. Melvin, third officer. R. P. O'Neill, 1st asst, engineer. E. Thomas, 2nd asst. engineer. R. Isluster, carpenter. P. Marin, seaman. Thomas McColl, seaman. Alfred Falkner, seaman.

D. Cawley, fireman. J. Harmand, fireman. E. H. Packer, pantryman. Frank Gerthan, passenger. W. L. Dietrick, passenger. George Carillo, waiter (dead). Those still missing are: L. F. B. Henderson, second mate.

N. Munro, steward. Walter Davis, cook.? A. Boyken, assistant cook. John Gallagher, firem in. John Foster, seaman. Bert Larsen, seaman. Alikil Kolning, seaman. Hendrick Darielson, seaman. There is still a faint hope that this

other boat will be found some way up the coast, as no parts of the missing boat could be found along the beach. The only things found were a box of bissuits and a bundle of waste. These were found at Uclulet, just north of where found at Uclulet, just north of where the three boats parted from the captain's boat. It may be that the second officer tried to make land after leaving the ship, in which case his boat must have been dashed to pieces. The other two kept away from the breakers, and as Captain Irving predicted, were driven north by the storm. All day Friday, the day they left the Cleveland, the storm, and the occupants had little or no food. When they did make shore they were all mere dead than alive. It was Friday when the first mate's boat was found on Flores island, 30 miles above Barclay Sound, and shortly affound at Uclulet, just north of where forwards, J. Hemsworth, H. Erskine, F. | above Barclay Sound, and shortly afterwards the third mate's was found at

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ing that seven Indians and one white man, arrested for looting the wrecked steamer, were to be tried summarily today. Most of the property has been recovered.

Captain Metcalf, Lloyd's slurveyor in San Francisco, and Mr. T. Tyson, representing Captain Nelson, the owner of the wrecked vessel, arrived here this morning from San Francisco. They are now making arrangements for a wrecking expedition to go to Barclay Sound, and if possible wreck the stranded vessel. It was their intention to send the wrecking steamer Whitelaw, which is how here for another cargo of the old iron from the San Pedro, up to the iron from the San Pedro, up to the wreck, but as the Cleveland is lying in waters which are not contiguous to the United States, no American vessel may wreck her. Collector Milne refuses to

He is a very young boy. He is the age when a lofty contempt for the opposite sex manifests itself; the contempt which usually finds merciless retribution in later years. His task of watching the baby was not as distressing as it might have been. He had utilized the baby carriage as a cradle and had found a place where the floor sloped a little. Behind the vehicle he extended himself, and with head on hand proceeded to read a story paper. An occasional pull at a string fastened to the rear axle imparted the motion necessary to-keen the slumberer from waking. But the baby soon had its nap out, and began to cry. The boy paid no attention to the noise and after a while his sister came to investigate. noise and after a while his sister came to investigate.

"Why don't you try to find out what's the matter with baby?" she asked.

"There's no use." he answered, rolling lazily over and letting go of the string.

"I suppose you are going to lie there and wait for it to learn to talk so it can tell you what it's crying about?"

"No," he answered, "being able to talk wouldn't make much difference."

"Why not?"

"Because it's a girl. Girls most always

GERMANY'S COLONIES.

The colonial area of Germany now amounts to 2,000,000 square miles and her Emperor is very anxious to have a large navy to defend these extensive, if not valuable, possessions. The last published foreign office report shows that they do not pay in a pecuniary sense and they do not seem to afford much scope for German individual energy. This wast area contains a white population of 3850 people, and of these 1778 are French, British, Italian, Datch or any nationality but German individual energy.

man, and only 452 are voluntary German colonists. Yet the Germans are an emigrating people. Tens of thousands leave German soll every year to settle in America or British colonies.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS DIRECTORS.

The leading English journass condemn the Premier and President of the Executive Council of British Columbia, for allowing their names to appear as directors of a Joint stock company which has been organized to operate in the Klondike district. The London, Times, referring to the prospectus of the Dawson City & Dominion Trading Company, remarks: "We regret to observe the names of the Prime Minister and the President of the Executive Council of British Columbia on the company's advisory board. Men in their position are establishing a bad precedent when they allow their names to be connected with undertakings of this class, however sound they may be." The London Money Market Review says: "The association of Ministers in office with joint stock companies is not immaterial, but open to grave censure." The Statist considers that the geatlemen in question a great deal the worse for their ter- regretted that the company sought to be assisted by the Premier of British Colsuch sharp criticism in the London papers that it has discredited other enterprises from developing the Klondike gold fields.—Insurance and Finance

WHERE THE CZAR CYCLES.

When at Peterhof, the grand palace, splendid and luxurious, is seldom used by the czar for his own dwelling. He prefers the seclusion of the imperial Datcha, or villa, at Alexandria. This villa, which was built by Nicholas I., lies within an palace and surrounded by a high wall wherein the emperor can bicycle or otherwise amuse himself without being stared at by his subjects. There is a gnardhouse at everyigate, and swarthy, careless looking Cossacks, in long blue gowns, with rifles slung over their backs, roam ceaselessly up and down on horseback outside the wall.—London Figaro.

OIL GUN FOR USE IN STORMS.

The efficacy of the use of the oil bag in calming the waves in the imediate vicinity of a ship at sea has been abundantly proved. In many cases of exceptionally stormy weather, however, the area affected by the oil as ordinarily used has been found insufficient to give the ship the protection from the force of the waves that was desirable. It is now proposed to discharge the oil at such a distance that a wide circle of smooth surface will be created in which the ship can ride in safety until the storm has spent its fury. This plan involves the shooting of saturaed sponges or cotton from a pneumatic gun, which is considered preferable to a powder gun as obviating the danger of igniting the oil-soaked sponge. The idea is regarded with favor in shipping circles, and it is understood that an application has been made to congress for an appropriation to test its efficacy.

CUSTOMS OF CHRISTMAS

"Gift-making is one of the most gracious features of Christmas and one that I pray was found on Flores island, 30 miles above Barclay Sound, and shortly afterwards the third mate's was found at Hesquiot. The Quadra returned to Alberni with the rescued men where they received medical treatment.

Superintendent Hussey received a dispatch from Constable McKenna stationary of the greatest delights in a child's experience. experience.
"He finds out before we would choose to

DRINK WAS HIS REGIMEN. Old Yeoman Who Hadn't Been to Bed

wreck her. Collector Milne refuses to allow the Whitelaw to go. Captain Metcalf and Mr. Tyson are petitioning the government to allow them to use the Whitelaw, but it is not thought permission will be granted. Should permission be witheful they will charter the tug Czar and proceed to the wreck as soon as possible with scows laden with the necessary wrecking appliances.

The steamer Mande left for Barclay Sound this morning to endeavor to wreck the stranded steamer Cleveland.

BOY AND BABY.

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OLD LOVERS.

Heart of my heart, when the day was Heart of my heart,
young,
Hope sang to life with a silvery tongue;
Hope beckoned love down a flowery way,
Where 'twas always morning and always
May,
And two true lovers need never part—
Do you remember heart of my heart?

Heart of my heart, when the moon was high,
Work showed the way we must travel by;
Duty spoke cold and stern in our ears,
Bidding us bear all the toil and tears,
Parting and losses, sorrow and smart—
Have you forgotten, heart of my heart? Heart of my heart, in the setting sun, We sit at peace, with our day's work done; In the cool of the evening we two look back On the winding pathway, the moon's rough track track,
And the morn's green pleasance, where
noses twine,
Heart of my heart—with your hand in

Heart of my heart, when the night is here, Love will sing songs of life in our ear; We shall sleep awhile 'neath the daisied grass,
Till we put on the glory and rise and pass
To waik where eternal spiendors shine,
Heart of my heart—with your hand in

-E. Nesbit in the Argosy.

THE PLEBISCITE

The people of Canada, as compared with all other Christian nations, are singularly abstemious. In making comparisons I must confine myself to Christendom, for Mahomet and Gantama, the Buddha-unlike Jesus—absolutely prohibited the use of intoxicating liquors. Every good Mahomedan and Buddhist is therefore a pledged abstainer; but, though we are sometimes promised the millennium under a regime of prohibition, no millennium has come yet in Turkey or Armenia, nor where Buddhism has been supreme for more than a thousand years.

The sobriety of the people of Canada is admitted. Mr. Spence recently stated that the consumption of alcoholic liquors per head in the United States averages. If gallons a year and in Canada 4½ gallons. What makes this state of things the more remarkable is that, as a rule, northern peoples drink more than those to the south of them, and also that the United States has been the great home and happy hunting ground of prohibition for half a century. It seems to me that if the conditions of the two countries were reversed. I would ground of prohibition for half a century. It seems to me that if the conditions of the two countries were reversed, I would be ashamed to go to our sober neighbors and lecture them on their duty in the matter of temperance. I might be offered a good fee per night for my services, but shame itself would make me confine my efforts to my own distressful country, even if it were not evident to a self-respecting man that each people can best paddle its own cance in its own waters.

Canada Is Temperate.

What has led to our comparatively happy condition of things? A great variety of causes;—the healthy, religious sentiment of the people which responds to every sane appeal with regard to admitted evils, an appeal with regard to admitted evils, an improved public opinion regarding drunkenness, tippling, treating and the use socially of wine or spirts; better food, lodging and clothing for the masses; more refined amusements for all; better cooking; better sanitation, these and other causes have combined with the earnest efforts of temperance reformers to bring about the happy result. We have been winning in the fight for temperance for 50 years, as everyone will admit who knows what the social customs were 50 or even 10 or 20 years ago. The victory is not yet completely won, but why in the name of commonsense should we throw away the well-tried swords which have served us so well for the rusty razors of prohibition and constant political fighting, to secure new amendments to meet ever new evasions of coercive laws? We have already had trials, in different provinces, of county prohibition, and the results, from a temperance point of view, are not encouraging. For instance, in Ontario, from 1885 to 1889, the Scott act years, the convictions for drunkenness averaged annually 6,243. In 1889 the convictions were 7,059. On the other hand, in 1894, when we were free from the Scott act, the convictions were only 3,267. I understand that there were still fewer convictions in 1895 and 1896, but I have not been able to get official returns for those years.

Prohibition in Maine.

The state of Maine, however, affords a much better illustration of what prohibition can and cannot do than any of our provinces, and it, besides, is the place to which prohibitionists point with greatest confidence. During the early part of the century Maine was, perhaps, the most drunken state in the Union. A recoil, essentially religious in its origin, began in 1826, which reached its climax in the course of the next 15 years. Total abstinence became a popular enthusiasm all over the state. As early as 1831 the official year book of the state said that "the quantity of ardent spirits consumed in Maine has been reduced two-thirds within three of ardent spirits consumed in Maine has been reduced two-thirds within three byears." The idea of prohibition never entered the minds of those early reformers. The Washingtonian movement, whose achievements in suppressing intemperance were enthusiastically celebrated in popular songs, reached Maine in 1840, bue neither did it dream of prohibition. As one of the leaders said in 1841: "Washingtonians are firm believers in the efficacy and power of moral suasion; this they believe to be the main lever; they hold that doctrine to be unsound which includes the principle of unsound which includes the principle coercion, and therefore they cannot unsound which includes the principle of coercion, and therefore they cannot go hand in hand with those who cry out 'give us the strong arm of the law.'" Human nature, however, is impatient, and success is apt to make it tolerant. It loves shortcuts. Maine enacted a prohibitory law in 1846. What has been the result? In the half century that has since elapsed 50 amendments have been called for, to meet the evasions and the difficulties attending attempts at enforcing the law! the evasions and the difficulties attending attempts at enforcing the law! Just as men who have drunk too much are thirsty and cry "more brandy," so the Maine prohibitionists have never ceased to cry for "more law." Let me refer all who are interested in a study of the Maine liquor laws, and indeed of the whole question, to an admirable volume entitled "The Liquor Problem in It-gislative Aspects," which gives the results of a careful, thorough and impartial investigation, under the direction of the most emment educational and social reformers of the United States. This enables fair-minded men to form conclusions regarding what prohibition can, and what it cannot, do.

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Evasion of the Law.

Prohibition can abolish the manufacture on a large scale of distilled, fermented and malt liquors within the area covered by the law. Whether it is moral to abolish factories in which men have invested their property, and which have grown up under the law, without offering the slightest compensation to those whose property is destroyed by law is another question. But no one pretends that prohibition can abolish illicit manufacture; and illicit stills always turn out the strongest and most poisonous liquors. In Maine, the "hard" liquor usually soid produces forms of intemperance most injurious to heltah and life. It is difficult to obtain mait liquors on account of their bulk. "The stricter the enforcement the poorer the liquor, which is often nothing but alcohol purchased from druggists and soid after dilution under the name of 'split."

Prohibition can prevent the open importation of wine, beer or spirits. It cannot prevent smuggling, which, even without prohibition, flourishes at present along the lower St. Lawrence with increasing vigor, accerding to the increase of the tariff or of licenses. Sir Richard Cartwright stated at the last session of parliament that the loss to the revenue from this smuggling was \$300,000 a year, and that it was demoraling the people of whole parishes. It would be impossible, he said, to bring guilt home to the principals without the aid of informers. The government got a vote to pay informers, but very little had been done. The long unsettled coasts of the guif afford the smugglers too many facilities. The recent increase in duties has also ited to an extensive illicit manufacture of alcohol in the country. What would happen under a Dominion prohibition law? Smuggling and illicit distilling would abound more and more in spite of armies of informers.

Prohibition can remove open temptation from the young and from persons disposed to alcohol in the country. What would happen under a Dominion prohibi Evasion of the Law.

Collusive Selling Prohibition can prevent the open sale of intoxicants, though as long as druggists or other agents are allowed to sell for medicinal, mechanical or sacramental uses or for use in the arts it is extremely difficult to distinguish one class of buyers from another. But it can do nothing towards subdning the natural resistance of the human.

and especially of the British, heart to restrictive legislation, which is an infringement on personal liberty. "It is only in regions where prohibitions." (See the report signed by President Ellot of Harvard, President Low of Columbia and James C. Carter of New York.)

The Concomitant Evils of Prohibition

Recited at Length and in Detail

—Dangerous Experiment.

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Now while, according to these eminent authorities, "the most minute and painstaking legislation has falled to attain the object of the prohibitionists," let me quote a few sentences from their terrible arraignment of "concomitant evils of prohibitory legislation in Mane."

Concomtant Evils.

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"The efforts to enforce it during 40 years past have had some unlooked-for effects on public respect for courts, judicial procedure, oaths and law in general, and for officers of the law, legislators and public servants. The public have seen law defied, a whole generation of habitual law-breakers schooled in evasion and shamelessness, courts ineffective through fluctuations of policy, delays, perjuries, negligences and other miscarriages of justice, officers of the law double-faced and mercenary, legislators timid and insincere, candidates for office hypocritical and truckling and office-holders unfaithful to piedges and to reasonable public expectation.

The liquor traffic being very profitable, has been able, when attacked by prohibitory legislation, to pay fines, bribes hush-money and assessments for political purposes to large amounts. This money has tended to corrupt the lower courts, the police administration, political organizations and even the electorate itself.

The quent yielding to this temptation causes general degeneration in public life, breeds contempt for the public service, and of course makes the service less desirable for upright men.

All legislation intended to put restrictions on the liquor traffic, except, perhaps, the simple tax, is more or less flable to these objections; but the prohibitory legislation is the worst of all in these respects, because it stimulates to the utmost the resistance of he liquor dealers and their supporters."

Who would not rather have even the drinking customs as they were 50 years ago in Ontario than such a horrible state of things corrupting society at its fountain heads? Fortunately, however, we are not called upon to choose between the two evils. We can continue to improve without attempting dangerous experiments on so delicate and complicated an organism as modern society. out attempting dangerous experiments on so delicate and complicated an organism

as modern society. GEORGE M. GRANT. King ton, December 4.

Washington City, Dec. 17.—The President to-day sent a long list of nominations to the senate, among which were the follow-

to Sweden (reappointment).
Hamilton King, Minister Resident and
Consul General to Siam.
James C. McNally, of Pennsylvania, Conul General at Bogota, Colombia. strent Edgar O. Achorn, of Massachusetts, Sec-ever. retary of the Legation at St. Petersburg. Edward S. Wilcox, of Illinois, Consul at Hankow, China. Marshall Halstead, of New York, Consul at Birmingham, England. Harlan W. Brush, of New York, Consul Harlan W. Brush, of New York, Consul at Clifton, Ontario.

John Mell, of California, to be Third Lieutenant in Revenue Cutter Service.

Samuel Gordon, to be Begistrar of the Land Office at Miles City, Montana.

Indian Agents—Wm. S. Smead, Flathead, Mont.; Thomas M. Fuller, Blackfoot, Mont. Navy—Passed Assistant Surgeon General Francis W. Wilber, to be Surgeon; Paymaster Geo. H. Griffing, to be Pay Inspector; Assistant Naval Constructors Robert Stocker, Frank W. Hobbs and Elliott Snow, to be Naval Constructors.

TO AID THE KLONDIKERS. Washington City, Dec. 17.—Secretary Alger appeared before the senate committee on military affairs to explain the necessity for speedy action looking toward the relief of the miners in the Klondike regions. He was able to convince the senate committee of the merit of the position he had framed and the committee reported it later to the senate, and it was passed. The secretary has sent a telegram to the commanding

has sent a telegram to the commanding general of the department of the Columbia to parade at Vancouver barracks, Wn., directing him to send two or three competent officers of the army to Dyea and vicinity to reconnoitre and report to the department how supplies can best be gotten across the passes to Dawson.

SEA OTTER HUNTING. Washington City, Dec. 17.—The secretary of the treasury has issued new regulations which will govern sea otter hunting within the territorial waters of Alaska during the year 1898. These regulations are practically the same as those of last year, with the important exception that otter hunting hereafter will not be allowed from any boat or vessel other than the ordinary 1a" utat canoe and by these only when operated from the shore.

M'KENNA'S NOMINATION. Washington City, Dec. 17.—The nomination of Attorney-General McKenna to succeed Justice Field on the supreme bench will not be acted upon by the senate until after the Christmas holidays. The nomination was referred to the committee on Indicator in vacateday's avacutive session

judiciary in yesterday's executive session SOME COLD WEATHER. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 17.—The official thermometer in this city got down to 12 below zero during the night, and the cold wave is still in evidence all over the northeast. Bismarck's coldest was 18 below; Helena 16, and Havre and Battleford 30 degrees.

30 degrees. BOOKKEEPER SUICIDES. Portland, Dec. 17.—C. W. Jameson, a bookkeeper in the employ of Dr. L. E. Moore, of Albina, committed suicide yesterday morning by shooting himself in the head. Ill-health is supposed to have caused Jameson to take his own life.

PHILIPPINES' SUBMISSION. Madrid, Dec. 17.-An extra number the Gazette publishes dispatches received from Manila, capital of the Philippine islands, saying that the insurgent chief, Aguimaldo, has ordered all his followers to submit and the officers of the insurgents will be permitted to go to Hongkong.

RATIFIED THE TREATY. Athens, Dec. 17.—The Boule (Chamber of Deputies) has formally ratified the treaty of peace signed on December 4th by the representatives of the Sublime Porte and

NEW CHILEAN CABINET. Lima, Peru (via Galveston), Dec. 17.— The new Chilean cabinet is composed as follows: Minister of the Interior, Senor Vedro Montt; of Justice, Senor Ammna-tegui; of War, Senor Ventura Blanco; of Finance, Senor Gonzales Errazuriz; of Public Works, Senor Bandodoes Espinoza.

JOHN MORGAN HANGED. Ripley, W. Va., Dec. 17.—John Morgan, alias John T. Raines, was hanged here yesterday afternoon. He spent the forenoon crying, but railled so as to go on the scaffold with composure. He murdered the Green family

EDUCATIONAL TEST BILL Washington City, Dec. 17.—The house committee on immigration have decided to make a favorable report on the educationa test bill.

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FATALLY STABBED. William Terriss, the Well Known Actor, Killed in London.

well known actor, was assassinated, being stabbed with a knife, as he was entering the stage door of the Adelphi theatre to night, for the performance of "Secret Service." His assailant is supposed to be a former super. The assassin rushed at the actor as he was stepping across the pavement from his cab and stabbed him just

ment from his cab and stabbed him just below the heart.

As Terriss fell the murderer was selzed by the onlookers, The wounded man was carried into the theatre, and doctors were called from the Charing Cross hospital, but the wound, which was very deep, proved fatal, and the actor expired in fifteen minutes. The assassin had the appearance of a foreigner, and wore a long cloak. Terriss fell shouting 'My God, he's stabbed me, don't let him escape." The assassin then drew the dagger and made a second plunge at his victim, before he was selzed by the spectators, of whom there is always a crowd about the stage entrance to witness the arrival of the actors.

London, Dec. 17.—Richard Arthur Prince, known as "Mad Archer and "Super," who last evening stabbed and killed William Terriss, the well known actor, as the latter was entering the stage door at the Adelphi theatre, was arraigned in Bow street police court to-day, charged with the crime. He was remanded until Monday next.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

Old Resident of Galt Dead-Nominations, for Local Legislature. Galt, Dec. 17 .- Mrs. Thos, McMillan, a

resident of Galt for over 50 years, was found dead in bed yesterday. Walkerton, Ont., Dec. H .- Centre Bruce Liberals have nominated Malcolm, of Kinardine, as a candidate for the assembly.
Stratford, Dec. 17.—Warden Montieth, of Perth, has been nominated for the legislative assembly by the Conservatives.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Canadian Pacific telegraphers have been unable to affect an agreement with Divisional Superintendent Spencer, and will wait on General Manager-

The new steamers to be built in Toronto for the Richelien & Ontario line will be called the Kingston and Toronto. THE MYSTERY SOLVED.

Capture of the Murderer of Mrs. Clute in San Francisco. San Francisco, Dec. 17.—The mystery attending the brutal mirder of Mrs. Mary Clute on Wednesday evening has been solved by the arrest of a Russian known as Albert Hoff, employed by Mrs. Clute to renovate some mattresses. The prisoner was identified by Mrs. L. A. Legg, who occupied the room directly under that in which the murder was committed, as the man seen leaving the house soon after Mrs. Clute's dying call for help was heard. Hoff's hand was badly cut as though by

ABOUT PROHIBITION.

the sharp flange of the coupling pin with

which the murder was committed. He

Principal Grant Discusses the Question in a Letter to the Globe.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Principal Grant contributes another letter to the Globe this morning on the prohibition question. He argues that a Dominion prohibitory law would be more injurious than provincial legislation, and that some provinces would be coerced if they would not enforce the law. He points out that in Maine the prohibitory law soon became and has remained a party question, and flagrant breaches of the law have held that state up to shame and disgrace. A full blown hypocrisy must result from this method of dealing with temperance. Finally, the effective enforcement of the law in large cities and in frontier towns would be impossible.

A RAILWAY COMMISSION. 877 R. W. Jameson, M.P., Advocates Its Establishment.

Toronto, Dec. 18.-R. W. Jameson, M.P. for Winnipeg, has a long letter in the Globe advocating the establishment of a railway commission for Canada. He condemns the commission for Canada. He condemis the land and railway policies of past Conservative administrations, and declares that the railway system of Canada has outgrown beyond the possibility of control by the railway committee of the privy council. The unfortunate position of Western. Canada is the principal reason, he says, for the slow growth of the population.

"GUINEA PIGS" IN TROUBLE. Klondike Boomers Sued for a Large Sum by a New Yorker.

New York, Dec. 17 .- Deputy Sheriff Butler received an attachment yesterday for \$52,000 against the British North America Trading & Exploration Company, a Klonenterprise, in favor of Gen. J. U. Varian. Fifty thousand dollars is for the use of his name as director, and \$2,000 for commission in getting a party to put up \$10,000 into the concern.

BIG FIRE RAGING.

Grand Forks, Dakota, Severely Scorched-Lives Reported Lost.

Minneapolis, M'nn., Dec. 17.—A special from Grand Forks, North Dakota, says a million dollar fire is raging there. The Hotel Dakotah and two wholesale grocery ouses have already been destroyed. reported that several lives have been lost.



ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that

the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

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WILLIAM-OGILVIE

London, Dec. 16.-William Terriss, the a Greater Man Than Henry M. Stanley.

> kon-A System of Dry Crushings Suggested.

Canada has all reason to be proud of William Oglivle, assistant astronomer to the Dominion government. As we will be prepared to show in another issue, Mr. Oglivle, as an explorer, is a greater man than Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, because he has encountered and surmounted greater difficulties, has traversed a greater extent of unknown country, has opened a greater field for colonization, and pointed the road to greater wealth. More than this, he is absolutely free from that insufferable egotism which made Stanley personally offensive to many who knew him and had to serve under him.

Mr. Oglivle has returned to Ottawa, where he is now busy preparing his special report, to be published early next year. On his way through Toronto he favored The Canadian Engineer with a short conversation, some points in which were repeated at his most interesting talk before the Canadian Institute. One of the valuable points which he was generous enough to give to the mining readers of Mining (From the Canadian Engineer.)

Steam Instead of Fire

An Important Point brought out by Mr. Ogilvie, but which is not generally known, is that, by the treaty between Great Britain and Russia in 1825, all the bays, inlets and rivers extending through the Alaskan strip are open freely to navigation by Great Britain forever, so that there can never be any question of the right of Canadians to the use of the Skagway and other water inlets to the Klondike.

dike, an area of thirty-five miles long by fifteen miles wide in the Klondike, Mr. Ogilvie assures us that there are at least \$100,000,000 worth of alluvial gold, and as he has proved that the pioneer miners of this region were Canadians or Old Country men, he believes that

Another Remarkable Fact

another element of great value in these days of electricity will be disclosed. Of course, everyone will not get rich who goes to the Yukon. It will take energy and perseverance to develop these resources, but Canadlans, with the help of British capital, are the people to do it.

ALBERNI TO THE FRONT.

An English Syndicate Takes Up the Bond on Regina Group.

an Explorer He Is Said To Be

The Mechanics of Mining in the Yu-

The Mechanics of Mining
in the Yukou. As the climate of the Klondike may be said, to use the words of a pioneer, to be "nine months winter and three months late in the fail," hydraulic mining is out of the question. Where the thermometer ranges below zero so long, and the rivers are beds of ice, quartz mining will have to be conducted on a new plah. He suggests, therefore, a system of dry crushing, and a separation of gold by a modification of Edison's plan of magnetic fron ore extraction. Of course, the magnet has no attraction for gold; but the gravity element of Edison's plan could be used by having chutes from which the crushings would be ejected, the greater gravity of the gold causing the precious metal to be thrown farther than the particles of rock, so that the greater part of the gold would be found in a heap at one end. There would be an intermediate space in which more or less gold would be found mixed with the rock, but this could be treated by the present amalgam process. An alternative plan might be a process of winnowing. Mr. Oglivic gives the idea of the gravity system for the benefit of miners, leaving it to the mechanical engineers to work out the details of the machinery. Another very valuable suggestion he makes, which can be applied to the present placer mines, is the use of The Mechanics of Mining

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In thawing the ground. The following conditions prevail in the placer diggings all through the Klondike: for the first six to twelve feet the miner goes down through what is called "muck," that is, decayed leaves, and other vegetable matter, embedded in a network of tree trunks and branches. Then coarse gravel is encountered several feet in depth, and at the bottom of this gravel, lying on the more or less crumbled flags of the so-called bedrock, the gold is found, nearly all of it lying within two to four feet of the rock surface. Now all this material of muck and gravel is frozen solid at all times of the year, and has to be thawed out foot by foot by building fires each day, the daily fire only penetrating the distance of about a foot. When the rock is reached the miner thaws a tunnel horizontally along the surface of the rock in the direction where the best pay gold is found, but it is not safe to penetrate more than twenty or thirty feet in either direction from the vertical shaft because the tunnel cannot be ventilated. Now, the use of steam in thawing the gravel would not develop any poisonous carbonic acid gas, but in fact would help purify the air, while the steam thawing would enormously increase the amount of work that could be done in a day. All that would be required in this process is a simple type of boiler, and a steam hosepipe and nozzle. Mr. Ogilvie proposes to demonstrate the advantages of this plan by having a sample steam thawing outfit manufactured and tested.

An Important Point

This Vast Wealth This Vast Wealth

should be got by Canadians and kept in this country. This is the true spirit, and if the majority of Canadians were of the Ogilvle stamp, not much of the wealth of the Klondike would be lost to Canada. The available timber of the Klondike is being rapidly used up, but it is comforting to know from Mr. Ogilvle that over a large extent of country there are frequent outcroppings of semi-bituminous coal of a good serviceable character, and providentially these large seams of coal run parallel with the gold deposits, many of them being right along the river, where mining can be carried on cheaply. Still

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is, that along with the coal and gold in
convenient proximity, there are ample deposits of limestone, affording all the flux
wanted in smelting. Both coal mining and
quartz mining will commence in 1898, when
at least 100,000 men will be working in the
Yukon region. Cone Hill, in the Yukon,
appears to be one vast mountain of goldbearing quartz, far surpassing the Treadwell mine in richness. Some amples of
quartz gold which Mr. Ogilvic tested in
a hand mortar, yielded as high as \$1,000
per ton. In addition to the gold and coal,
galena has been found in various places,
and in the serpentine rock there is much
low grade asbestos. Besides these minerals, an Indian recently brought in

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Mr. Armstrong, who bonded the Regina group of mineral claims, has now taken up the bond and a company has been formed in England with a capital of filo, 000 to develop the property, which Mr. Armstrong says is one of the best propositions he has seen. One ledge on this property being over 100 feet wide, and the assays give most satisfactory values.

He has also bonded several other claims adjoining the Regina group, which are already as good as taken up by the people in the old country that he represents, who are extensive mine owners in many parts of the world, having specially valuable properties in Africa.

The Alberni Development Company, of which Mr. Armstrong is also a member, is doing a considerable amount of work, not only on the Regina group, but have 22 men at work on the Charnet elaim, who started washing fourteen days ago, the result giving 80 cents per subid yard form the surface. This company is also interested in claims on Granite creek (Alberni) upon which they are doing considerable development work, having run several tunnels, etc. Lower down the canal they have an immense proposition, one ledge being over 300 feet wide, which can be itterally quarried, like the famous Treadwell, only the ore assays very much better.

The above only refers to the operations of one syndicate or company, but extensive work is going on on the Golden Eagle, the Great Divide and other claims too numerous to mention; when we say work we

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DANGEROUS POISONS IN PLAS-TERS. Belladona and Aconite plasters would not be used at all if their dangerous qualities were more generally known. These drugs may be absorbed by the system and cause serious trouble. "Quickcure" has been recommended as being entirely free from anything which could possibly injure even a child and no plaster removes pain so quickly. The 50c. and \$1 size pots of "Quickcure" hold three and nine times the quantity of trial size; only a little is required.

MURDERED BY A MANIAC. Oakland, Cal., Dec. 17.-The police are & Proenix railroad, and will spend severconvinced that Patrick Murphy, of Te- al days in Phoenix. nescal, who was assassinated on day, was killed by Frederick Uhl, maniac, who last night attempted to kill Edward Kearney and Constable Gus Koch. The lunatic is now at large and is being searched for by half a hundred armed men. He was once an inmate of an insane asylum, but had been discharged as cured. Last night he opened the front door of his father's house and fired a shot at Edward Kearney, who happened to be walking past the place. stable Koch was called to the scene of

the shooting and was met at the door of the house by Uhl, who fired at him at such close range that he was blinded by the powder. Koch stumbled and fell succession, none of the bullets taking effect. The officer went for assistance and in the meantime Uhl reloaded his revolver and escaped. It is now known that he was seen near the murdered man's home a short time before the mysterious murder of Wednesday night.

WHEAT AT STY LOUIS St. Louis, Dec. 17,-J. B. Kehlor has esigned from the presidency of the Con-colidated Elevator Company, and Vice-President Henry S. Potter has been elected to succeed him. Several changes were also made in the board of dire tors. All these changes were made Wednesday, but kept quiet until last night. Mr. Kehler resigned because of his ill health. The East St. Louis elevator is now filled and grain has been pouring into St. Louis in such quantities since the corner began that one after another of the elevators have been opened until the company now has upwards of 3,000, 000 bushels of grain.

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For Infants and Children

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The San Francisco Chronicle has the following regarding the wedding of Mr. John Hyland and Miss Winifred Phil-

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emencies of the long, cold winter. The wedding ceremony was performed at the California street Methodist church at 8 o'clock last evening, in the presence of a large gathering of friends of the contracting parties. Rev. Samuel Hirst, Vallejo, who was called in as an old friend of the bride's family, officiated, and was assisted by Rev. Dr. J. W. I'helps, pastor of the church. The bride was beautifully arrayed in a toilet of white satin and wore the usual veil and orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Jennie Bonnemort, who looked very pretty in a costume of pink satin. She Martin J. Egan was the best man.

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or Table and Dairy, Purest and Best

NANAIMO NOTES

Death of Edward Michael-Thompson To Be Tried by Jury.

Mr. Edward H. Michael, a pioneer British-American Corporation Has resident of Cedar District, died at the Nanaimo Hospital last night after a lingering illness. The deceased gentleman was a justice of the peace for the coun ty of Nansimo, and his demise, although not unexpected, will be received with feelings of regret by a large circle of relatives and acquaintances. He was a native of England, aged 73 years, and leaves a wife, a daughter (Mrs. Cassidy) and several sons to mourn his death. In The members of the First Battalion of the sixties Mr. Michael resided in Vicsible position with Dickson, Campbell & Company, and in the seventies removed to Cedar district, where he has since resided, being for many years in

The evidence against Weclet. provoking appearance to a gaily and Alert Bay Indian that elected for speedy trial yesterday on a charge of in-decent assault on an Indian woman, was of such a character as to justify his dismissal by Judge Harrison on suspended judgment in bonds of \$200 to ap-

> Adam Thompson, charged with falsifying the Nanaimo city books, appeared before Judge Harrison this morning and elected to be tried by a jury. This will put the case over till the next assize. No arrangements have yet been made

with reference to bail,-Free Press. The Nancimo Opera House was crowded to the fullest extent last evening by an appreciative audience to witand in front of the stand, with the flags ness the presentation of Planquett's popular opera "The Chimes of Normandy," by the Nanaimo Amateur Operatic Society. The members of the Society fully sustained their well deserved reputation for the artistic and correct manner in which they have, on previous occasions presented this and other operas.

Sir Adolphe Caron of Ottawa Organizes a New One-It Will Operate in B. C.

Made Up of Leading Men and Has Strong Connections in England and France.

(From Rossland Miner.) L. Davis, of London, Eng., the representative of one of the largest syndicates in British Columbia, left Toronto a few | share, or at the rate of \$210,000 for the days since for this section and is expected | entire property. to arrive here shortly. He is the mining

been offered for sale to this company.

The Canadian company is composed of Corbin, president Nelson & Fort Shep- was incorporated for \$750,000. pard railway; E. B. Gravernaugh, G. J. Gould, New York; Harold Kennedy, lumberman, Quebec; Hon. Jas. O'Brien, Montreal; J. W. McRae, Ottawa, Ont.; Thomas Marks, Port Arthur: W. A. Allen, Ottawa, S. Nordheimer, Toronto Charles Riverdon, St. Catherines, James Dunsmuir, British Columbia: Wilson Smith, Montreal; A. A. Tallion, acting treasurer; Thomas Walmsley, Toronto Dr. Sewell Webb, New York; Hon. Peter White and W. R. White, Q.C., Toronto; and Hon. J. H. Turner, premier of British Columbia; A. H. Bowes, Toronto acting secretary. The bankers are the Bank of Montreal.

The Canadian syndicate is in direct ouch with a Parisian syndicate, composed of La Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas, the largest bank after La Banque de France, La Banque International de which works in sympathy with the company of exploration of London. These two companies have had more than any other to do with the large mines of the

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with an Ottawa correspondent, said: my return from Brazil I came out here. Dodd's Kidney Pills.

I only arrived in Canada on October 22, world has ever known. and have been engaged in Nova Scotia ing to risk moneys except on most ex- ney Pills have.

SURVIVORS OF A WRECK. San Francisco, Dec. 17.-Captain Da-

IS BUYING MINES

Purchased Three Properties-Josie, No.1, Nickle Plate.

Hon. C. H. Mackintosh Gives Further Details of the Operations of the Big Company.

(From the Rossland Miner.) On Sunday the Miner published a spe- mittee with power to act. cial telegram from London concerning company had issued its prospectus and that its capital was \$7,500,000. It stated that the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava and other noblemen were among its directors. The dispatch also stated that the company has acquired the Annie, belonging to the West Le Roi & Josie company, and other promising properties in this vicinity, the Alaska Commercia company, the townsite of Dawson City, and claims of value in the Klondike region. Hon. Charles Mackintosh, lieutenant-governor of the Northwest territories, who is the managing director, was telegraphed to by the Miner for further particulars as to the plans of the company. The following delayed reply

was received last evening:

Regina, N. W. T., Dec. 13.-The special from London is substantially cor-Our company has bought the Jorect. Number 1 and Nickle Plate proper-I am not in a position to speakdefinitely regarding the Le Roi and Alaska. They were under offer to our comrany, but I do not know as yet whether the deal for their purchase will be closed. I will give you further particulars just as soon as I possibly can. The statement regarding the purchase of the Dawson and Yukon properties is substantially correct. The shares of the company are now at a premium. I have accepted the position of Canadian director for the company and will begin to take a more active interest in its affairs

ant-governor, which will be in a short time." C. H. MACKINTOSH. The Josie mine, purchased by the British-American corporation, is located just north of the Le Roi, and was the property of the Josie Gold Mining company, limited, of Spokane. It has 1,400 feet of tunnel and 260 feet of shafts. It has a plant consisting of an 80-horsepower boiler, seven-drill compressor, hoisting engine, pump, and for a while was a regular shipper of ore. During the present year it shipped 385 tons. The price paid for the property by the that has yet been organized to operate B. A. corporation was 30 cents per

The No. 1 property was owned by expert of the North Star Milling & De- Oleans Jeldness of this city, and sevvelopment Company, Limited, of Ottawa. eral residents of Missoula. It is located This company has been formed by Sir | north of the Josie, and it is evident that Adolphe Caron. It is associated with a its new owners intend to work in in con-Parisian syndicate and also a London nection with the first-mentioned propersyndicate. Mr. Davis' mission to this ty. The price paid for the No. 1 was section is to examine mines that have \$200,000. Of this sum \$50,000 was paid down, and it is understood that the balance, \$150,000, will be paid in the stock

stockholder of the Anaconda mine, sec- of the Centre Star mine. The property ond vice-president; directors, Sir J. A. has been developed by a shaft of 300 Chapleau, lieutenant-governor of Quebec; • feet and by considerable crosscutting Hon. Francis C. Cemow, of Ottawa; A. and drifting, and the ore so far encoun-M. Crosbie, Toronto; J. A. Carlow, presi- tered has been of a high grade. The dent of the Canadian Savings Loan & Nickle Plate Gold Mining company Investment Company, Toronto; D. C. from which the property was purchased,

D-O-D-D-S

THE PECULIARITIES OF THIS WORD.

No Name on Earth So Famous --- No Name More Widely Imitated.

No name on earth, perhaps, is so well known, more peculiarly constructed or Paris, La Compagnie Francaise des more widely imitated than the word mines d'or et d'exploration de Paris, DODD. It possesses a peculiarity that makes it stand out prominently and fastens it in the memory. It contains four letters, but only two letters of the alphabet. Everyone knows that the The London syndicate associated with first kidney remedy ever patented or sold the Canadian syndicate is composed of in pill form was named DODD'S. Their pany , Limited, John Morrison and T. S. discovery startled the medical profession the world over, and revolutionized Mr. Davis, in a recent conversation the treatment of kidney diseases.

No imitator has ever succeeded in con-"I have been all my life in mining structing a name possessing the pecul-operations, beginning with the drill and larity of DODD, though they nearly all nding as a practical expert. In 1893, adopt names as similar as possible in 1894 and 1895 I was in the Transvaal sound and construction to this. Their and Matabeleland; after that I went to foolishness prevents them realizing that West Australia, thence to Brazil and on attempts to imitate increase the fame of

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No medicine was ever named kidney looking over the various properties submitted by the North Star Company. I Dodd's Kidney Pills to the world. No leave to-night for British Columbia to medicine ever cured Bright's disease exnspect properties offered to the company. cept Dodd's Kidney Pills. No other I am the expert of the syndicate which medicine has cured as many cases of is partner in the European syndicate. Rheumatism, Diabetes, Heart Disease, The fact of getting together such a strong syndicate of men who are not go- and other kidney diseases as Dodd's Kid-It is universally known cellent ground will secure only the best that they have never failed to cure these mines being floated. The company will diseases, hence they are so widely and investigate fully before securing any shamelessly imitated.

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SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

las at North Ward School.

Accounts amounting to \$495,87 were the affairs of the British American cor- ordered paid, and Inspector Eaton was poration, limited, to the effect that the allowed an extra week's vacation, as he is obliged to visit Nova Scotia. Another meeting of the board will be held to wind up the year's business.

Expected to Come Out Shortly as Conservative Organ.

couver the Liberal party that it is doubtful if he will ever succeed in getting it off again things have happened them that the World should throw off the mask of Liberalism completely and come out frank-ly as an out-and-out Conservative organ. In the meantime it is doing its best to disintegrate the Liber: I party in Vancouver and wherever it is read, and, as a consequence, the Senator is hardly the most popular man in Vancouver today. Just why he should try to disrupt the whole party with whose objects ha has professed so much sympathy merely because of a petty personal disappoint ment is an awkward problem,-The Pro-

as soon as I resign my office as lieuten- J. M. Kellie. M. P. P. for West Kootenay, Has Joined the Great Majority.

the Government in a Letter

Revelstoke, B. C., Dec. 18 .- (special)-The following letter from J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., appears in the Kootenay Mail of to-day:

"Editor Kootenay Mail-For the infor mation of my political friends and supporters I beg to say that the recent appointment of John D. Sibbald as gold commissioner was made without my knowledge, and I have had no informamation, directly or indirectly, from any official source that such an appointment was contemplated.

appointments without my knowledge.

der such degrading conditions and have decided to cut myself clear of the Turner government without further ceremony. "Should my political friends and supporters object to such a proceeding, in that event I will be pleased to resign my seat in the legislature.

"I wish to add, in conclusion, that the troubles between myself and the members of the executive are not of recent origin. During the last session I left the house intending at that time to cut myself clear of the government party. and wrote Hon Mr. Turner a letter covering seven pages of foolscap, explaining my leasons for so doing, and that I intended placing my resignation with the proper authorities. I was sent for and matters were patched up temporarily. "Since that time there has been fric tion, evasion and wiggling. It was not that way in Theodore Davie's time. I shall take the earliest opportunity to obtain an expression of opinion from my

"Revestoke, B. C., Dec. 16th."

BOATS STILL MISSING

and Men from the Cleveland.

boats were al seaworthy, and thinks i possible that they were driven north t Clayoquot Sound where they sought shel-Upon her return from Nanaimo Maude will leave for the scene of the

NEWS OF VANCOUVER. The Turner Government Doomed-Great

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 18.—What with Kellie's denunciation of the Turner government and Speaker Higgins' alienation it is felt that the government may be defeated at the next session. Premier Turner's second apology for his connec ion with speculative mining companies has made his last state worse than his

It is claimed here that a mother lode of the Klondike has been found forty miles from Teslin lake in a quartz ledge 1,000 feet wide. Assays made give \$480 to the ton.

If you once try Carter's Little Liver Fills for sick headache, billousness or constipation, you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable: small, and easy to take. Don't forget this.

J. H. Soady , B.A., to Succeed Mr. Dal-

J. H. Soady, B.A., was last evening appointed to succeed Mr. D. Dallas, who resigned his position on the teaching staff of the North Ward school. The salary is \$650 per annum, and the appointment is to be as from January 1st. Permits were granted allowing the children of Mrs. C. Nelson, Rae street, and Mrs. John Krom, Humboldt street, to attend the South Park school. The question of beautifying the play ground of the North Ward school and re

flooring two rooms in the girls' central school, were left to the repairs com

THE WOR-R-R-LD.

Senator McLagan of the World appears to have serious quarrel on with

Indeed, they say now that stranger

Formally Renounces His Allegiance to to the Herald.

Sir Adolphe Caron, president; Hon. Lyman M. Jones, president of the Massey-Harris Co., of Toronto, first vice-president; Richard P. Lounsberry, of New York, son-in-law of Haggin, the largest traction, which are situated just south stockholder of the Angeonda mine see. ond time my political leader has made "I cannot longer support a premier un-

"(Signed.) J. M. KELLIE.

Nothing Heard from the Three Boats

Telegrams received last evening from Alberni stated that nothing has been seen or heard of the three missing boats and 22 men from the wrecked steamer Cleveland. Neither has any wreckage been found along the coast, although a most thorough search has been made This leads some to hope that the three boats reachel Clayoquot Sound, and that the men are there awaiting the arrival of a steamer. Captain Hall says the

wreck with pumps and other wrecking apparatus, and an attempt will be made to raise the Ceveland. The Maude will be used in removing the cargo from the

Quartz Discovery.

Young - AND - OLD.

OLUMBIA FLOURING MILLS CO. ENDERBY AND VERNO

Hungarian, Premier, ** ** * Klondike

R. P. RITHET & CO., Victoria, Agents.

MOST UNFORTUNATE. Toronto Globe.

Toronto, Dec. 15.-The Globe in an editorial headed, "A Ministerial Failure," says: "The province of British Columbia has suffered from a most unfortunate provincial regime. It is to Bench of British Columbia caused by

opportunity arrives. "The Ministry seems to have been afflicted with a violent desire to give away, on every pretext, the mineral and C., of Hamilton, for some years past the forest wealth, which should serve the treasurer of the Law Society of Upper

tioins to come. "The Cassiar railway grants are but in arts from the University of Trinity an illustration, perhaps, of the most College, Toronto, Mr. Irving studied law striking ministerial disregard for the the bar of that province. Coming to public interests. By it Mr. Herschel British Columbia about fifteen years Cohen, from England, will be in a po- ago, he was appointed deputy attorney sition to levy a royalty on the output of a large section of mining land. "But there are charges more serious,

in one sense, than incompetence against the Ministry. The Hon. Mr. Turner, the premier, and the Hon. Mr. Pooley, the president of the council, figure as the leading men in a company that has issued a prospectus, seeking to sell its shares in London. In the prospectus it was set forth that there will be advantages for the stockholders in the 'unique connection' between the company and the Provincial Ministry.

ANOTHER EXTENSION.

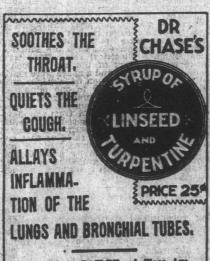
Mr. Simon Leiser Purchases the Building Adjoining His Present Premises.

Mr. George Byrnes, the building and of Policeman T. S. Coleman. property on Yates street, now occupied "Having been a government supporter by Mr. Byrnes and adjoining the large building is to be occupied by Messrs. Simon Leiser & Company, who have already found their new premises too Coleman's body. small for their fast increasing business. When the firm moved into the large new building at the corner of Yates street and Waddington Alley, there were no signs of the big rush to Klondike, and the building was designed for their business throughout the province. With the Klondike rush, however, came the demand for more space, non-interference with their regular wholesale business

and special arrangements for handling the Yukon outfitting business. The newly acquired premises will be used entirely for outfitting miners. It will be in the shape of an immense sample room, where the miners can go and inspect every pound of goods before they are put up in convenient packages for him. The car lines which run throughout the firms' present premises will be extended into the outfitting building and everything will be arranged for the speedy handling and packing of goods, Messrs. Leiser & Company are determined that in the future, as in the past there shall be no complaints from men

who purchase outfits from them.

BIBLICAL VEGETARIANISM. And God said, behold I have given you every herb bearing seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. And to every beast of the earth, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat and it was so.-Gen., i:29, 30.



MB. CHAS. BAILEY, of Close Ava., Toronto, and Manager celebrated Jessep Sieel Works, Manchester, Eng., says: "As a quick cough cure for family use, I consider Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine the most wonderful mixture conceivable. This medicine cured me of a severe attack of La Grippe very promptly. My wife would not consider our child safe from croup and coughs without this preparation in the house.

Sold by all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto, Ont.

HON. MR. JUSTICE IRVING.

Mr. Turner's Weakness Criticized by the Appointment of a Successor to Hon Mr. McCreight on Supreme Court,

Confirmation was received from Ottawa yesterday of the appointment of Mr. Paulus AEmelius Irving, of the firm of Bodwell, Irving & Duff to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court be hoped that the electors will see the the resignation of Mr. Justice Mcadvantage of making a change when the Creight. The new judge will be required to take up his residence on the Main-

Hon. Mr. Justice Irving is a Canadian by birth, a son of AEmelius Irving, Q. purposes of public revenue for genera- Canada, the highest office in the gift of the bar of Ontario. Having graduated in Hamilton, Ont., and was called to general, which office he held for several years, resigning to enter into partnership with Mr. E. V. Bodwell. As deputy attorney-general he gained much knowledge of the laws of the province, many of which he framed, and also of criminal law, which will stand him in good stead as a judge. The appointment is a good one, and will be well received throughout the province.

BENNETT'S ARRIVAL HOME.

Policeman Coleman Had No Trouble With the Prisoner on the Steamer,

The steamer Walla Walla reached port resterday with James G. Bennett, the would-be wife murderer, who was re-cently captured in Victoria, B. C., a prioner on board, says the San Francisc Mr. Simon Leiser has purchased from Chronicle. Bennett was in the custody

> The officer was given no trouble by Bennett during the trip. Once the prion which the officer slept. It was so arranged that if Bennett opened the door the other end of the rope would tug on

Bennett tells conflicting stories about have been carried out of the hospital unconscious and to have remained in that condition until he reached Portland on the train. Later he told about spending four or five days in Oakland while the officers were hunting for him. One day, he said he could have reached fourth his hand and touched two of the detectives who were on his trail. He refuses to tell who helped him out of the hospital. The man who supplied him with money after his escape is known to the police. They are now trying to run down the more immediate accessories to Bennett's daring break, and arrests are probable, Bennett's wife is quite recovered from his attack upon her. The wounds in his

own throat are also healed.

Old Men and Kidney Disease. Aged persons troubled with weak back, impaired kidneys, pain in the back and base of abdomen, scalding urine, with a small quantity of water at a time, a tendency to urinate often, especially at night, should use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. You know the doctor's reputation, you know the value of his work, and that Dr. Chase would not risk his reputation on an unknown and untried remedy. Every druggist in Can-

ada sells and recommends them.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL SCHEME Prince Bismarck's plan to Germanize Prussian Poland by buying up Polish estates and settling Germans on them has proved a failure. The Prussian Chambers line years ago established a fund of 100, 000,000 marks for this purpose. The Polish nobles sold their heavily mortgaged estates to the government readily, but, instead of emigrating, bought with the money other estates in the country from Germans and gathered around them Pollsh laborers. The only result of the experiments has been to benefit the Polish landowners of Posen.

Easton, Pa., the Scene of a Big Blaze This Morning. Easton, Pa., Dec. 18.-Pardee Hall, the main building of the La fayette college,

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE BURNED.

is on fire and is burning fiercely. The loss will probably reach \$200,000; insurance \$130,000. The east wing of the building may possibly be saved. -Only the east wing was saved from the flames. The centre structure of the entire west wing was gutted, and only the blackened walls are standing. Besides the damage to the building, thousands of dollars worth of valuable property belonging

Ward library is in smouldering rules, with the valuable museum, minerals and birds. The origin of the are is unknown. Paris, Dec. 18.-The chamber of deputies, in spite of the objections of M. Turrell, minister of public works, yesterday adopted a proposal fixing upon ten hours as a day's work for railroad employees. This to be followed by ten hours' nest-

to the professors' college is destroyed. The

Provincial Press Is Saying

(Vancouver World.) When the Globe asserts that the British Columbia government is discredited, we brand the assertion as a dehberate falsehood. * * * Although in the far west, and located on the ragged edges of the confederated provinces forming the Dominion of Canada, we know our business and what is required of us, and such Jim Crow journals as the Globe of late has proved itself to be will make a note of the fact that it will be in better taste for them to look after the frying of the fact in their own pans.

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.) al in their views. Who would have thought that any newspaper claiming | the course. such fealty to that party that it keeps standing a line-"Triumphant Liberalism"-so as to be ready for use whenever a dispatch from the east arrives stating that "Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the cynosure of all eyes when he appeared on the platform, decorated with the collar and and St. George and the Golden Medal," should in a little fit of spleen call the sedate and ponderous Globe a "jim crow" journal? Truly we have fallen on evil days when "the reputed father of Liberalism in British Columbia" utters such a fearful slander on a journal, on the greatness of which in happier bygone days, it was never tired of dilating and boo at the next election should be taken which from a ludicrous ignorance of the seriously. The Chinese are non-voters real circumstances which caused that appellation to be given to the London English. However, the story is a penalty Times-it is constantly referred to as the Canadian Thunderer. But much has for his persistent advocacy of Chinese happened since then and a senatorial fly in the ointment of party patronage has given a wintry and desolate aspect to the herizon of possible political preferment! The shocking crime of the Globe which

has caused it to be labelled as a "jim crow journal"-whatever that may mean -appears to have been its omission to go into ecstacies on the fact that the price of British Columbia stocks in the London market had advanced one per cent, in the latter part of November. It is to be presumed that the Globe has on its staff those who are more conversant with financial affairs than its fiery critic appears to be. That being the case, the writer in the Globe would be aware of the fact that at the end of this month a halt year's dividend of one and a half per cent, will be paid on the stock and that dealings in it at the present time are based on that fact. When the stock is quoted "ex-dividend," as it will be after Messra, Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.-with whom the inscribed stock is domiciled-have prepared the dividend lists, the quotations will drop 11/2 per But that fall in the quotation of the stock will no more indicate a depreciation in the financial position of British Columbia on the London market than the advance, caused by the approach of the date when the dividend is payable, shows that the credit of the

(Rossland Miner.)

The irony of fate was demonstrated in an incident connected with the sad death of the late Edward P. Suydam, who, in a moment of despondency, put a bultunate man, who was interested with him in the Alaska, a prospect located near Grand Forks. This missive stated that since Mr. Suvdam had left for Rossland a find of great value had been encountered. It consisted of a vein of seven foot of copper ore that went high in gold. This strike, the partner wrote, meant a small fortune for both, and he good stiff price. It is more than probable that had Suydam been informed of this fact, which was known to his partner at the very hour he killed himself, that it would have stayed his hand and he would have looked on life as a jolly thing, and not too great a burden to be borne. Instead of filling a suicide's grave, as he does at the present, he would now be full of hope, with a future that looked rosy before him. It shows that at times air blown chances play a most important part in the affairs of

After hearing of this incident who will say that there is no such thing as luck in the affairs of mankind? Suydam had labored for months trying to develop. so that he could place them on the market and realize something, the Alaska and other prospects in which he was interested. No strike of importance was made on any of them, and he came to this city for the purpose of disposing of some of them in order to raise money with which to carry on operations on the others. Nothing but disappointment was met with here, and he became discouraged and ended his existence. Had he been lucky enough, however, to have made that strike on the Alaska be fore he came here, how different would have been the result?

(Kamloops Sentinel.) That there will be a change of admin istration within the next twelve months is the belief of almost every elector in the mo country who has given the matter a no nent's serious consideration. Dis-satisfication with the methods of the Turner "agglomeration" is as widespread as it is deep. That there must be a change, and one, too, of a very radical nature, is the general opinion. Of late more careful consideration has been given to the legislation and administrative methods of the government, by the electorate. There has been a greater degree of interest evinced in provincial affairs than at any previous period in the his- tained. tory of the province. The electors apparently realize, as they never did before, the prosperity of the country as the deling recommend a resolution that the velopment of her natural resources. Bad polling places be: For mayor and government in the past has resulted in school trustees, at the police court room; the alienation of a very considerable portion of the natural resources of this province, the development of which now Douglas street (Vernon Block); and means the enriching of a few instead of | South Ward, 27 Government street. many. Bad government has to a very mayor recommends, too, that Mr. North-great extent placed the control of provincial affairs in the hands of such men as the Dunsmuirs, Rithet, Heinze and others of that class, whose aim is certainly not to benefit the people, but to excite themselves at their expense. It ward:

that the deputies be: Frank G. Richards, for mayor: S. W. Edwards, for North Ward; Thos. J. Dearberg, for Centre Ward; and David Spragge, for South Ward.

is the knowledge-brought home by painful experience—of these facts that has aroused the electors from one end of the province to the other to a sense of the recessity of a change at James Bay.

(Rossland Record.) Rossland is holding her breath for the nitial work on the Robson branch, of the C.P.R. to this city. Some days ago was given out that Bossland could celebrate the completion of this road within ninety days. This news was gencrally believed, but as no contracts have been let yet the people are becoming skeptical, not that the road will not be built, but that it will not be completed n such haste.

(Kaslo Kootenalan.) The premier of New Zealand, like Premier Turner, of British Columbia, is connected with some public company as director, and as a consequence he has had a bad quarter of an hour in the Things appear to be getting a little legislature, of which he is the leader. 'mixed' in regard to some journals in this province which are nominally Liber-though several of his supporters voted with the opposition in condemnation of

(Vernon News.)

We trust that the natural pleas-tre which we feel in once more presnting the News to the pullic, is, at least in a measure, shared by our subscribers. We start afresh with a brand new plant, star of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and are now established in commodious and comfortable quarters where we will always be glad to receive visitors, who will be most cordially made welcome.

> (B. C. Mining Critic.) It is rather hard on Mr. S. Hunter, M.P.P., that the story of the Chinamen's requisition asking him to stand for Cariand don't usually sign "round robins" in which Mr. Hunter has of necessity to pay cheap labor, which would assuredly in any case cost him the loss of most of the white labor vote of Cariboo were he there to stand at the next election.

(New Denver Ledge.) The Hon. Mr. Turner has spoken through the Colonist. The mantle of dignified contempt is a useful article in high officialdom but it proves but a poor armor against facts, however simply stated, which have a public value, and therefore it is that the mier has spoken through his official organ, and severely harangues those whom he regards as his traducers.

The Ledge has no desire to say much that could be said in plain condmenation of the course pursued by the prominent politicians of this province, who have allowed their names to be paraded in flaming type as decoys in mining schemes of doubtful probity. leged interview in the Colonist is mainly an undignified confession of the weakness of a public main, unable to see that representative man should feel that proper degree of restraint which is imposed upon him by a public trust.

While we can in regard to our repre-

sentative men "nothing extenuate," we shall at all times endeavor to be equally free from setting down aught in mal-Mr. Turner's career and position province has suddenly appreciated there. good nature entitles him to our consideration. Moreover, we cannot forget that his political environment in Victoria has not been as lofty and ennobling in its inpeople of this province have had more let through his brain. Two or three distrust of their public men; for exdays after the tragedy a letter was re- travagance, favoritism, abuse of trust questionable enterprises, or, what act. The reputation of the province is bound up in the character and acts of our public men, and the community sufcautioned against selling it except for a fers by their moral obliquity or indiscretion, and in the case in quetion, it is clear that the premier's name, used as is, will scare away instead of attracting capital to our mining enterprises.

MILLET'S MODEL DEAD.

In the little village of Barbizon, on the edge of the forest of Fontaineblean, there recently died the woman, who as a girl, posed for Jean Francois Millet for three of his most famous pictures. She was Adele Moschener, and when as nurse for Millet's children, served as a study for the figure of the girl in the 'Angelus." That was in 1859, when she was 19 years old. Two years previous to that she had posed for Millet's picture "The Gleaners," and she also appears in "Waiting," painted in 1861. She afterward married a villager named Marier, and it was as Adele Marier that she was known to many French, English and American people who had bade art pilgrimages to Millet's home since his death in 1875. During the last year of her life she has been ill almost continually, though she was always willing to receive her visitors, with whom she was delighted to talk about Millet and to estify to his many kindnesses.

A DEVICE TO RECORD SPEED.

An ingenious form of speed-recording apparatus, recently devised for use in some German raliway experiments, while simple in design, proved exceedingly effective and showed, moreover, not only the speed at any particular moment, but the time in which stops were made, speed around curves, up grades, etc., says the Philadelphia Record. Electrical connections were made on the shaft of the car in such a manner that a dash and a space were marked off at each revolution on a paper strip of ribbon corresponding to one minute of time and counting the number of dashes contained therein the number of revolutions is given at once, and from the diameter of the wheels the speed can readily be computed. In the experiments referred to the paper ribbon was ruled so that one second of time was represented by one millimeter of space, and by a subsequent plotting of curves a graphical record of speeds under various conditions was obtained.

-Mayor Redfern will at the meeting hat good government is as essential to of the city council to be held this evenLOCAL NEWS.

From Saturday's Daily. aid McCallum, whose appointments appear in yesterday's Gazette.

-tharles Harris, of Milne street, died yesterday. He was a native of York-shire, England, and was 53 years of The funeral will take place at 2 to-morrow afternoon

-At the next session of the legislature the Mountain Tramway and Electric Company will seek ingaporation by pris-vate bill and the B. C. Electric Com-pany will ask for an amendment of their act of 1890.

-The steamer Corona arrived yesterday evening after a quick trip from Skagwayl Dyea, Juneau and Wrangel with 60 passengers and a small freight, her whole cargo comprising but a few small packages. She had pleasant weather during the entire voyage.

-G.W.A.Rankin, of Grand Forks: Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K.C.M.G., Q. C., and Frederick Peters, Q.C., of Victoria and W. F. Brougham, of Nelson, have been appointed notaries public. Sin Charles and Hon, Mr. Peters also give notice in the gazette of applications for calls to the bar.

-The Gazette contains notice of the registration of the following extra-provincial companies: The B. C. Agency, Ltd., The B. C. Delelopment Co. Ltd., The B. C. (Rossland and Slocan) Syndicate, Ltd., and the Klondike Mining, Trading and Transportation Company,

-The public schools closed to-day without any public exercises, although in most of the divisions there were recitations, etc. No promotions examinations having been held, there were no long promotion lists, but some of the pupils, who have shown their fitness during the term, will be promoted. Several of the classes presented their teachers with Christmas gifts.

-The new mining division over which Capt. Rant will have charge is described as follows: "Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of British Columbia intersects the height of land between Lake Teslin and Lake Atlin: thence southwesterly, following the height of land to the watershed between, Pike lake and Kateene river; thence southwesterly to a point on the boundary between Alaska and British Colambia, midway between Taku inlet and Lynn canal; thence following the said boundary north and west to its intersection with the northern boundary of British Columbia; thence east along 'the said boundary to the point of commence-

-The members of the W. C. T. U. at Cambridge Springs, Pa., may not ounderstand thoroughly the conditions attendant on the transportation of supplies to the Klondike, but their Philanthropic intentions have assumed practical shape. A local newspaper says: "In response to an appeal for clothing, sent from a ndent in the mining regions, the ladies voted to fill and ship a barreloof as a business man, as well as his known | furnishings. Members of the union; are requested to look up cast-off clothing. underwear, shoes and other suitable wearing apparel and bring them to apparel and bring them to Mrs. Ross's residence next Wednesfluence as it might have been, but the day afterhoon, as soon after dinner as possible. The barrel will be packed and shipped that afternoon."

-Mrs. D. Goldberg, who has been il and flagrant dishonesty has been the for some time, died suddenly Sunday Nab, a piper, just out and retaining a official rule rather than the exception, morning, says the Trail Creek News. and therefore it is that we have resolved | She has been a sufferer from bronchitis, that the community here had about but no uneasiness was felt as to her, reenough public men being mixed up in covery. She aroused her husband about is 2 p.m. Sunday morning, who gave her equally objectionable, pleading to baby some medicine. At five o'clock he awakened and spoke to his wife. gaining no response, took hold of her only to find her cold in death. The remains were taken to Victoria Sunday night for burial. Mrs. Goldberg leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. She was an estimable lady, and had many friends in Trail The family have the sympathy of the whole community in their affliction.

-On the steamer Corona, which arrived yesterday evening, were a party of Shallcross & Macauley, of this city. being pushed forward on the roads leadtravel very shortly. On the Chilcoot portation of freight are well on towards completion.

From Friday's Daily. -The store of R. Baker & Son, on Yates street, was entered last evening, the intruder getting through the tran som. The office door was pried open, but nothing was taken. The burglar assed through Bakers' store Messrs. Gilmore & McCandless', which is directly at the rear. Here some small change was taken from the till but nothing else was missed.

-The funeral of the late Hector Fraser took place yesterday afternoon. A large number of the pupils of the Vic toria West school attended. Rev. D. McRue, assisted by Rev. W. D. Barber and Rev. Dr. Campbell conducted the burial services. The pallbearers were Masters Robert Boyd, Frederick Mc-* Clifford Jenkinson, Frederick Harrap, James McKenzie and Ernest Tait, schoolfellows of the deceased.

The following changes in the Fifth Regiment, Canadian Artillery, have been gazetted! First Battalion-to Captain, Lieut, Douglas B. McConnan vice Jameson, retired. To be Lieutenants, Second Lieutenants John Fortescue Foulkes, vice McConnan, Thomas Edward Pooley and Robert Henry Pooley. Second Battalion-Provisional Second Lieutenant F. W. Hartley and Provisional Second Lieutenant W. A. de Wolf Smith retire. To be Sectionally, "John ond Lieutenants, provisionaly,

retired; Alexander Henderson, George Augus Johnson and Joseph Cowan one cent for each additional word, -Thurlow Island has now two justices of the peace, A. R. Marshall and Don-Grant, gentlemen, to complete establish ment.

> -The insurance companies have settled with Mrs. Edward Sherritt, of 144 Fort street, whose residence was damaged by fire some time ago. The settlement was made after the investigation held by the magistrate.

The complaint laid against Capt Harrison, of the British ship Senator hy John Cutler, an able seaman, who claims to have been shanghaied from Cillao on the Senttor, was dismissed this morning by Police Magistrate Macrae. The question of wages—Cutler claims \$25 as wages from the Senator was reserved until Monday next.

-The funeral of the late Luke Gray, who died at the Jubilee Hospital on Wednesday, took place to-day from St. Andrew's R.C. Cathedral, where a solemn requiem high mass was celebrated by Futher Nicolaye. The funeral was at tended by a large number of sympathizing friends, including the members of Seghers Council, Y.M.I., who attended in a body. The pall bearers were H. J. O'Leary, Thos. Conlin, F. J. Sehl, W. Baines, Oharles Geiger and M. Steele,

-Leslie Cullom, special agent of the United States treasury, and J. E. Gardner, interpreter at San Francisco for the United States government, are in the city in connection with the case of Hock Tow, charged with forging docu-ments used by Messrs. Cullom and Gardner, acting for the United States government, in a custom house inquiry at Seattle. The charges made against the Chinese interpreter at Port Townsend, based upon these alleged forged doucments, were dismissed. The case comes up in the speedy trials court on Monday.

-At a meeting, of Camp 52, Wood-men of the World held yesterday evening, the following officers were elected for the coming year: L. Hall, past con-sul commander; H. C. Edwards, consul-commander; W. H. Pennock, adviser lieutenant; J. D. Warren, banker; W Jackson, clerk; R. Davidson, escort; F. W. Hall, E. A. Hall and R. L. Fraser, physicians: E. J. Monk. watchman: J W. Creighton, sentry; J. G. Taylor and C. E. Watkins, managers; Woo Jackson, delegate to head camp; La Hall, alter nate. The next quarterly concert of the Woodmen will be given on December 10th

-At their last weekly meeting Fernvood Lodge, C.O.O.F., elected the folowing officers for the ensuing term: Lecturer, Master J. R. Wescott: P.N.G. W. Cormack; N.G., P. T. James; V.G., E. E., Wescott; rec.-sec., G. E. Wilkerson; financial secretary, T. W. Carter; treasurer, W. F. Fullerton: surgeon, Dr. Carter; warden, T. Passele; conductor, W. O. Carter; R.S.N.G., B. Cooper; L.S.N.G., W. H. Nathan; R.S.V.G., J. Grice; L.S.V.G., E. Andrews; outside guard, J. S. Walsh; inner guard, R. De- members of the local lodges A.O.U.W., war; R.S.S., R. Hawk; L.S.S., J. Bates; trustees, R. Carter, J. J. Walsh, W. Cormack; auditors, W. H. Coates, W. O. ducted the funeral services at the Metro-Carter, G. E. Wilkerson; finance committee, P. T. James, E. Wescott, J. R. Wescott, Ivy Lodge, Daughters of Ruth. will be installed this evening and will elect officers.

friends spent a pleasant evening at the | were: Messrs. D. Spencer, J. Bullen, J. open meeting of the Sir William Wallace Walsh, W. J. Pendray, F. J. Hall and Society last night A visitor John Mo whif of the heather, sang in grand style "Farewell to My Nataive Heather," and also rendered stirring airs on "ta pipes." Piper Rooertson also was on hand, and Mr. Dean recited an original poem, "The Breaking O' the Brig." Mr. Muir sang "Robin Tamson's Smiddy," always a favorite. Principal Paul gave a talk on the British soldiers and the different regiments now operating in India Mr. Cormack sang "Ye Banks and Braes," and Mr. R. Foster gave a recitation Phrenology." Notice of a masquerade ball was given out for the 31st of December in the Wallace hall. The election of officers takes place on Thursday next.

-The Christmas examination was held carpenters returning southward after in the Highland District school on Fri-having built a hotel on the Chilcoot trail, day, December 17th. There was a large in the Highland District school on Fria few miles above Dyea, for Messrs. attendance of people resident in the district, and Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of Oak-The new hotel is, they say, a first-class lands were also present. An old friend one and will accommodate about 150 and familiar face was absent, that of guests. Dyea is said to be rapidly in- our esteemed friend, Mr. Scafe, secrecreasing in population and daily new tary of the board of trustees, owing to buildings are being commenced. At severe illness. The pupils were examinpresent there is a shortage of lumber, ed by Miss Clark, the teacher, and but this shortage will soon be relieved showed by their answering the pains as every north bound steamer has large which she must have taken during the consignments of lumber both for Dyea past year. The school house was very and Skagway. The latter city is still nicely decorated for the accasion. There a very lively town and work is rapidly was also a Christmas tree, well laden with presents for the children, which ing from there over the White pass. It Santa Claus was kind enough to diswill be ready as a winter road for sled tribute, forgetting none of the little ones present. After refreshments kindthe two cable railways for the trans- ly supplied by the ladies of the district, speeches were delivered by Messrs. E. Simpson and T. M. Dixon, trustees, who greatly complimented Miss Clark on her work during the past year. Mr. seph Dixon, Mrs. Maltravers and Mr. Richard McClure also addressed the neeting. Then there were games in dulged in for some time, when the meeting was brought to a close by all present singing "God Save the Queen" "Auld Lang Syne," everybody voting it one of the happiest days spent in a long

From Monday's Daily. -The fire department was called out this morning for what a passerby took to be a fire in the Hotel Victoria. The smoke, which caused the alarm, came from the flues, which workmen were engaged in cleaning out. The Young Ladies' Institute have

mode arrangements that Santa Claus shall visit the little orphans of St. Ann's Jonvent, Cowichan. During this week will ship a box of dolls and other good things for the little ones. -A large audience attended the weekly

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after a short illness, Deceased was 56 years of age and leaves a family of sons and daughters to mourn his loss. His remains were removed to Hanna's par- 25c.; Lilly Russell, \$1; George Roller lors to await interment, of which due \$1; Hilda Richards, 25c.; Ivy Strait, notice will be given.

-At the military social dance at the drill hall Wednesday evening next, the ball committee hope to see as many noncommissioned officers and men attend as The wearing of uniforms is not compulsory on this occasion, but men attendng in plain clothes will be treated as civilians.

-The funeral of the late Charles Harris took place Saturday afternoon from his late residence, Milne street, and later from the St. Barnabas church, where Rev. Mr. Haslam officiated, as also at Little, and he was caught, handed over the cemetery. The following acted as pal' bearers: Messrs. C. R. King, Alex Mackenzie, F. R. Raitt and Mr. Wil-

-An attempt was made on Saturday evening to pass a check for \$30, purporting to be signed by A. W. More and made payable to "Allan G. Tuttle" and Messrs. W. & J. Wilson. A young man entered Messrs. Wilson's store, made purchases amounting to \$4.50 and tender- Justice Drake to-day. Deputy Attorney ed the forged check in payment. While Mr. Wilson was examining the check with him is associated Mr. G. E. Powell the young man left the store.

-The Kamloops Copper Mining Company has just been registered. This company is capitalized at \$600,000, has for its president Mr. G. A. Kirk, of Vic- ble arises over some letters that are altoria, and for secretary-treasurer Mr. leged to have been picked up in Victoria A. T. Monteith. The head office is situated in this city. To acquire the Golden duer, who sent them on to the depart Star mineral claim at Kamloops and to ment of the treasury in Washington. do a general mining business are the advertised objects of the company.

-The promenade concert given at the Drill Hall on Saturday evening was the best attended concert of the season. The music of the band was therefore much appreciated; but, then, it was not the music which attracted the eager portion of the crowd. The attraction was the aquatic exhibition of Captain Beach, who eat, drank, smoked and feigned sleep under water with the greatest ease. feigning sleep he remained at the bottom of the tank for 11/2 minutes. The captain will repeat his entertainment at the next concert, which takes place on Monday, December 27th, there being no concert on Saturday next, it being Xmas

-The funeral of the late Henry Jewell, which took place yesterday afternoon, was very largely attended, of which deceased was a member, atterding in a body. Rev. Mr. Speer conpolitan Methodist church, referred to the life of the deceased and his great interest in the work of the church. The regular afternoon session of the Sunday school, in which Mr. Jewell also took a deep interest, did not meet yesterday on -A large number of members and account of the funeral. The pall bearers

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-J. W. Laing, M.A., F.R.G.S., principal of the Collegiate school, will no onger go his way alone for to him solitude has lost its charms. This afternoon he took unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Ethel May Reed, third daughter of the late John Breackenridge Reed, barrister-at-law, of Toronto The wedding, which took place at Christ Church Cathedral, was well attended. Rght Rev. Bishop Perrin performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Canon Bean-The bride and groom will leave for San Francisco this evening on the direct steamer to epend their honeymoon in a tour of the cities of Lower California, where lectures will be delivered by Mr. Laing.

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-Yesterday being the anniversary of the Sunday school of the Metropolitan Methodist church, the services at that church both morning and evening were for the children. The pupils of the sunday school attended en masse and were seated on a raised platform at the front of the church. At the morning service Rev. J. C. Speer, the pastor, preached on "the little girls of the Bible," and in the evening to young men. No service was held in the afternoon, the Sunday Christmas day. The usual reception and free concert will, however, be held at the hall on New Year's day.

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UNITED STATES ARGUMENT. To the communication printed above

Mr. Foster replied as follows: Department of State

Washington, Dec. 2nd, 1897. Dear Sir Wilfrid:—I received on the 30th ult., through the British embassy your letter of the 23rd ult., in which you kindly communicate your answer to the proposition which I submitted in the conference which I had the pleasure to hold with you, your colleague and Mr. Adam of the British embassy, on the 10th ult. Your answer is in effect a declination of my proposition and a renewal of the proposition made in the conference by Sir Louis Davies and which at the time I stated my govern-

ment could not accept.

The considerations in support of your colleagues' proposal, restated by you, been submitted to the President, and he directs me to express his regret that they are not of such a nature as to justify him in reversing the position taken by me in our conference. You intimated that if pelagic sealing is continued during the earlier months of the year the catch would not exceed six thousand, which you think would do little harm to the herd. This might be the if it was in its normal condition, but such a catch would be approximately equal to 30,000 in normal times, and in treaty stipulations, not that question its present depleted condition would creatone, but all others in which at present are a serious inroad on the herd. The state of "equilibrium" contemplated by are not as satisfactory as they ought to the experts, to which you refer, was at be, viz, the protection of fish in the a still more depleted stage than even waters of rivers and lakes contiguous now exists. It is admitted that the into the United States and Canada, the dustry is at present unprofitable for both subject of reciprocal immigration, com- the lessees and the pelagic sealers. ercial reciprocity, or any other unset- Should the herd reach the equuilibrium pointed out to you, it will have passed and Canada which either government the period when negotiations will be of any avail. But in addition to the injury that a

you contingent upon and subject to the condition contained in the first: "That the governments of Great Britain and the governments of the governments of the Britain and the governments of the government of the United States agree at once to a States the heavy expense of patrol durmodus vivendi providing for a complete ing the entire summer, even though a suspension of the killing of seals in all settlement should be reached, as you the waters of the Pacific ocean and Beh- think possible, before August, as the ring sea. for one year from December, Victoria fleet will be at sea, an expense 1897, and for a suspension of all killing which for the past four years has been of seals on the Pribyloff islands for the \$150,000 annually.

There are difficulties in n view of your statement that parliaagreeing to that proposition which I fear ment would not convene till February, will be found insuperable. Immediately on my return I requested proposed suspension of sealing take efmy colleague Sir Louis Davies, to obtain | fect at such a date in February as would information as to the number of sealers enable the necessary legislation to be who are fitting out for the coming year's passed, provided a modus vivendi could him and to deal deliberately in personment, it is believed, would obviate the legal difficulty to which you refer.

There is no disposition on our part to embarrass the Dominion government by asking impossible or unreasonable conditions. This is more apparent when I recall the fact that four years ago, when that body "in view of the critical conditions" to which the herd was reduced the herd has steadily declined.

city, and which constitutes serious obstacles to our negotiations. We seem to have failed to impress upon the Canadian government, past or present, our view that pelagic sealing ought to be voluntarily given up because it is unneighborly, in that it destroys a valuable industry of our government, and inhumane because it is extermininating a noble race of animals useful to the

We paid Russia a large sum for Alaska, and the chief prospective return then visible was the sealing industry, which had yielded the Russian government and subjects large profits. We enjoyed the industry undisturbed for fifteen years, reaping a rich return to the government and the lesees, the revenue to the federal treasury up to 1891, being estimated at over \$11,000,000, a sum much larger than was paid to Russia for the entire territory.

Suddenly the pelagic sealers entered upon the work of destruction and they have brought the industry to a point where it is no longer profitable. This work of destruction has been prosecuted as a conceded legal avocation, and when we have called attention to the rapid diminution of the herd and the treaty obligations to protect and preserve it we have been met by the declaration that its actual extermination is not immediately threatened.

When it is proposed to negotiate for the surrender of the legal right of pelagic sealing, we are told that this cannot be brought about by a fair compensation to those engaged in the industry, but that the question must be included with a number of other subjects having no relation to it whatever, and that it must wait the fate of all these matters. some off which, such as commercial reciprocity and the tariff, are very complex in their character; and others, as the northeastern sea fisheries, of long standing and very difficult of adjust-

Notwithstanding, the president feels that the subject of the proper protection of the seals should not be complicated with other questions of intricate public You the view here presented because policy and conflicting interests, in his anything out of it."-Chicago Journal.

neighboring countries, he has consented that all those questions should be embraced in one series of negotiations if agreed upon which would save the seals from destruction while the negotiations were in progress.

You have been misinformed as to the duration of the coming congress, and it next without constitutional limitation. But it could hardly be anticipated that the subject which you desire to have considered would be adjusted by treaty stipulations and the necessary legislation result with the dispatch indicated in your letter, even with the most friendly spirit of conciliation. The variety of questions to be considered and the interests to be considered would compel deliberation in the negotiations and might create discussion before legislation could gadier Arangueren.

be secured. I have explained at length the reasons which control the president in adhering to the position which under his instructions I assumed during our informal conference, because of my wish to have you understand that we are greatly desirous of bringing about a better understanding with your government. I am extremely sorry and greatly disappointed that your visit to Washington gives so little promise of satisfactory results, but I entertain the hope that it may bear good fruits. I remain, with sentiments of the highest esteem, yours

very truly, JOHN W. FOSTER.

THE RING. New York, Dec. 17 .- Norman Selby, of Rush county, Ind., better known in pugilistic circles as "Kid" McCoy, is un-doubtedly the middle-weight champion pugilist of the world. He met Dan Creedon, of New Zealand, to-night in the arena of the Puritan Athletic Club at Long Island City, and after fighting 15 lively rounds, made the New Zealander throw up the sponge and acknowledge the Hoosier's superiority.

Long before the big event took place the frame building in which it was held was crowded to excess and bets were freely made, with McCoy the favorite, at 10 to8. The Kid's wonderful science and self-possession were always in evidence, and these, combined with the advantage of height and reach, enabled him to outpoint his more stockily built anta-

From the moment that the men put up their hands in the opening round, McCov's stock began to ascend. It was 'boosted" so rapidly that at the end of the sixth round McCoy's backers were offering three to one on their man.
"McCoy is a wonder," was the universal comment when the fighting was over and no one, even those who bet against him, begrudged him his well won laurels.

Green Again Bests Williams.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 17.—The announced fifteen-round boxing contest for oints between Green, of Seattle, and Williams, of San Francisco, terminated in the seventh round. Mr. Joseph Hillier refereed the contest. Green had the best fuit after the second round, Williams boxing feebly from that on.

STATISTICS ABOUT THE SEA. Curious Figures About Its Weight. Depth and Volume.

I intend to take my revenge on the sea for the past indignities suffered from be signed at once. Such an arrange- alties about him. Inviting to my side his many victims who have suffered the like dignities. I propose that we weigh. measure and guage him, bottle him, play games with him and show him up generally-for, like most bullies, he is a bit of a humbug. For our attack on the sea the Paris tribunal rendered its award we shall want a few facts to start from, and here they are:

We lake statements of our four recommended the two governments to good men of science, a geographer, an suspend the killing of seals for a period astronomer, a physicist, a statistican, of two or three years. If such a meas- add the statements, divide by four, and ure was called for then, how much more arrive at the result that the surface of reasonable is the request for a single the sea is 139 1-2 millions of square season suspension now, after four more | miles, his weight 1,332,000,000,000,000 years of disastrous slaughter of seals, 000 tons and his volume 322,000,000 which period the experts agree, cubic miles. A like process will tell us that the average depth of the sea is 12, Your frank, courteous letter reveals 000 feet (more than two and one-quar the fact to which I had occasion to re- ter miles), and we know that one cubic fer during your friendly visit to this foot of him weighs over 64 pounds avoir dupois, i. e. about four and one-half stone, or as much as a small child 8 to 10 years of age. From these figures Mr. Schooling deduces that the sea is simply nowhere when we compare with the land of this planet as regards the solid quantities of weight, depth and

"Only in the sup? ficial quality of surface does the sea beat the land. As to beauty there is infinitely more of 7t and in much greater variety, on the land than on the sea. To further emphasize the magnificence of the sea we will now pour it into a jelly mold-one of these thin, ornamental, tin shapes you see in the kitchen dresser. For this experi ment I have dug out all the ins the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, from its surface all the way down to the centre of the earth (3,960 miles), and have thus made the largest jelly mold known-or rather two of them, for Ireland forms a shape by itself, although, at the bottom, it is firmly joined to England, Wales and Scotland. Now, this jelly mold would be large enough to hold just one-half of all the sea of this planet, so that a pair of these tin shapes would dispose of the whole sea!"-Pearson's Magazine.

DEVIOUS DEFINITIONS.

Pillage-The art of manufacturing pills. Windmill-A hand organ for grinding popular airs. Ink-A fluid used by the few to lighten the many.

Secret-Something a woman gets some one to help her keep. Prudery-A wig sometimes used cover the baldness of character. Scalper—A ticket broker who lowers fare or an Indian who raises hair. Almanac-The cemetery in which the

aged joke is finally interred. Synonym-A word that can be used in place of another when you don't know how to spell the other. Pessimist-A man who refuses to enjoy his dinner because he has no pros-

"Hathley has a wonderfully well stored mind, hasn't he?" "He ought to have he never takes

pect of one to-morrow. Chicago News.

meanwhile a modus vivendi could be Insurgents Slay a Spanish Envoy While Under Safe Escort.

will continue beyond the 4th of March Butchered by Machete-General Lee Intercedes for Him Without Avail.

> Havana, Dec. 18,-The general topic of conversation in cafes, theatres and clubs is the result of the visit of Lieut .-Colonel of Engineers Joaq in Ruiz to the headquarters of the insurgent bri-Col. Ruiz, who was very popular here,

visited Arangueren for the purpose of inducing him to surrender and accept autonomy, promising him in return money and official preferment. Ruiz, it is said, offered his services to Blanco for the purpose of inducing Arangueren to surrender, as the latter had been formerly employed by Ruiz when he was con structing the Vento waterworks. After having written to Arangueren,

Ruiz left Havana for the insurgent camp on Monday last. While Ruiz was at the camp, the insurgent leader, Alajandro Rodriguez, learned of his visit and went to Arangueren's headquarters where he ordered Ruiz to be tried by court martial. Ruiz was defended in his trial by Arangueren and Rafael de Cardenas, the former of whom had pledged his word of honor for Ruiz's safety. It was reported that General Alajandro Rodriguez ordered

the execution of the prisoner.

The Russian consul, who is president of the Union Club and a personal friend of Ruiz, who is a member of the same club, visited United States consul General Lee and asked him to use his influence to save the life of Ruiz. General Lee called privately on Marshal Blanco and stated to him the object of his visit. The governor-general allowed General Lee to intercede in a friendly way. Early yesterday Ernest Tosca, an attache of the American consulate, with young Manuel Chacon, left for Campo Florido, Havana province, carrying three days' provisions, hearing a permit from Marshe Blanco to seek the camp of Arangueren with a leter from Consul General Lee. Ruiz was expected to-day and General Gonzales Harrado was assured that he was at liberty. Las night it was asserted that Ruiz would be releas-

ed upon the condition that the insurgent leader, Candida, Villa Huexa be exchanged for him, but upon the arrival this evening of Tosca, it became generally known that Tosea's visit did not avail to save the life of Blanco's envoy. Senor Tosca, who had been commis sioned by United States Consul General Lee to make inquiries, returned from

Campo Florido, three leagues from the insurgent encampment at Tumba Cuetro. He says that he met outposts camp had been prepared for his visit. and, securing Ruiz in his uniform, and knowing the object of his visit, they demanded the execution of the proclamation of Gomez and Rodriguez, which orders the infliction of the death penalty on all persons to induce chiefs of the re-

bellion to surrender. In compliance with their demands, a court martial was formed, and the sentence of death was passed upon Ruiz Senor Tosca adds that Arangueren stood aloof during the trial and allowed the death sentence to be carried out. Col. Reports from Sancti Spiritus state that Senor Rafael Madrigal and Cruz, a

Ruiz was executed with a machete. brother-in-law of Marcos Garcoa, an insurgent chief in the last war, and now civil governor of the province of Santa Clara, have left for the insurgent camps to confer with the leaders, to induce them to surrender to the Spanish authorities and to accept autonomy. The insurgents are increasing largely in the provinces of Pinar del Rio. Havana and Matanzas, A resident of Pinar del Rio asserts that 1,600 pacificos have gone to insurgent camp.

SPANISH WRATH ARISES

Indignant Because a Squadron Will Rendezvous in the Gulf. Madrid, Dec. 18.-The Imparical, in

an article on the United States con-

will hold entirely aloof on local ques-

A member of the ministry, in the course of an interview to-day said: "The government has good reasons to and that Spain need attach no importance to the speeches and proposals of fect on the situation in Cuba.

fore cannot change its friendly attitude.

DALTON TRAIL

Mr. Frank Writes of Experiences on
His Trip to the Land

They will doubtless be brought along by the next outfit. It will soon be two months since we started from Victoria, of Gold.

In Spite of Toil and Hardships the Life is a Healthy One-Snow in August.

Mr. John Frank, of this city, is giving a diary of his trap to Dawson via the Dalton trail to Mr. Williamson, of Toronto. His last letter is dated Sept. like this season. Beed is selling for a 12 and is as follows:

have made some So miles. The country has been varied, sometimes well for them. One gentleman is from To-The scenery has been beautiful in flowing river, with a current of about places. Yesterday we went along the six miles an hour. Scarcely anything top of high blufts overlooking a deep grows up there. Mr. Pitts, the storevalley, with fine mountains in the back-ground. I rolled stones down the deep, well. He has to cover them from the smooth declivity, and they accumulated night frosts all summer. He uses large tremendous momentum ere reaching canvas bags like sails supported on the bottom. It reminded me of rolling sticks. His potatoes are about the size stones down the Wanlock (Dumfries- of marbles. shire) hills when I was up there with my father many years ago. To-day we pass- boats made at Lake Teslin. We are ed another Fouchie tying in the bottom thinking of making our rafts in the of the valley. The two lakes must Pelly river, about six miles from here, stretch from eight to ten miles. The scene at the northern end is beautiful. Across the Ynkon from our side is The land terraced in benches, one ris- great wall of lava. The river has cut ing above another as if done by art or away the bank, so that it is seen quite engineering skill. It seems hard to distinctly. Dawson, the geologist, says think that nobody but a few Indians there were three eruptions of a volcano

August 25-1 'began writing this yes- was turned out of its course, being comterday from the top of the cliffs over- pletely blocked up by the lava. I have looking the Fouchie valley, but, rain gained thirteen pounds in weight, surely coming on, I had to stop. We had hoped to find Indians here with whom we This is the Sabbath, but there is no sercould trade one of our steers, which vice at the English mission, as the clerof Arangueren's force, and the chief of had become lame, but they were all gyman has been removed to some other the party confirmed the report that on his arrival Col. Ruiz was met by Arancight or ten miles to day, and I am now gueren and an escort of twelve men, who writing from a height from which can received him with warmth. Ruiz urged be clearly seen a point fifteen or twenty the party to accept autonomy, and con- miles away, which we passed yesterday. them to return with him to Havana. The the east in the direction of home are the highest mountain neaks All the valwhile. To the north is a high hill, hare, like many of the Scotch ones. I intend climb it and get a prospect of the last stages of our land journey. Last evening we had some stew of wild ducks and onions, the last we are likely to have for some months. The black as I write.

A Cold March.

We had a rather trying experience after the foregoing. About 3 o'clock, just as we were getting over the mountain top, the rain, which had threatened for two days, began. It was cold rain and no mistake, and as our oilskins were all packed up in the cargo we just had to face it as best we could. Charley, the boss of the pack train, was in his shirt sleeves. The friendly spruce had been left behind, and the prospects were for a cold, wet night in tion in the matter. The fact is that he wind-swept mountain top, but after going four or five miles we caught der of the court with a view to act by up to the cattle train, and found a its decision with perfect impartiality as sheltered spot by the lake side, where some spruce had managed to grow. Soon we had a blazing big fire, and soon the inner man was satisfied from our bill of fare from pork and beans, rice and stewed apples and baked bread, INDUSTRIAL CENTRES OF FUTURE. and then had a fairly comfortable night under our tented roof. Snow fell on Will Be in the Foothills, Electric Power the hilltons last night and again this Coming From Mountains. the hilltops last night and again this

Madrid, Dec. 18.—The Imperical, in an article on the United States congress, says:

"After the linialts and calumales against Spain our excellent friend, against Spain and the lord of the spain our excellent friend, against Spain has just made gree or the first part of the first pa

forming the first Cuban government. It | Winter at the top but summer in the valley. Plenty of ice under foot in the tions, having confidence in the success mountain, while we could pick blueberof the reforms adopted for the island. ries all along the route. Wednesday September 1-Came along a dry trail about fifteen miles and camped at the head of a long prairie with plenty of believe that the United States will take believe that the United States will take creek and found indications of gold. Threatened rain all day, but little fell. ance to the speeches and proposals of the jingo congressmen. So long as President McKinley and the government do not depart from the correct attitude towards our rights, observing the laws of neutrality, there is no reason to fear hostile acts or decisions on the part of the congress or the American government. On the contrary the government is aware that in official circles in Washington the news of the pacification of the Philippines was well received, and will, it is thought, have a favorable ef-Not much rain in 'his region. Some of will, it is thought, have a favorable ef- hung up beside it-for the dead man's ect on the situation in Cuba.

"The American government is aware days from Selkirk. It is 8:15 as I write that the military and political situations and the clouds still reflect the glorious in Cuba are much improved and there- rays of the sun. It will be quite dark in Victoria no s.

At Fort Selkirk Sunday, September 12-At Fort Selkirk, where we arrived on Friday aftera long march of twenty miles. all in good health. Two of our horses gave out and had to be left on the road. and the time has passed quickly even with all its trials and hardships. Sugar all gone for some days, and oatmeal nearly so; flour also, and nothing in store here, no steamer having been up for two years! Find we will have to build rafts to take our cattle either alive or dead to Dawson City. It will take us two weeks or more, and there will be no chance of my coming out by the river (Yukon), as the last boat leaves there on the 23rd. Reports say that provisions will be abaormally high in the Klondollar a pound. I send this by a party "Since I wrote you a week ago we going out, feiring a famine. He goes vooded, and at other times bare ground. ronto. The Yukon is a broad, smooth-

Many are passing down the river in where there is fimber of a good size. live here. The weather continues fine, twenty miles away, in one of which the with occasional slight showers.

The weather continues fine, twenty miles away, in one of which the Pelly river, which joins the Yukon here,

THE GOLDEN CACHE.

A very condemnatory cable message gratulated himself that he would induce The whole scene is very fine. Away to is stated to have been sent recently to London, England, concerning this mine lev is densely covered with spruce. En- bearing" the stock, and as a result there ough of gum could be gathered here to | appeared in the British Columbia Review keep the whole world chewing for a long of that city a very savage onslaught upon the Golden Cache Company and its undertaking. More will be learned very shortly as a result of further crushings of the future possibilities of the property. Meanwhile so far as can be ascertained it would appear that, whilst there is no reason to doubt the gold-productive capflies and mosquitoes are biting viciously acity of the undertaking, it is being made clear that its profitable and systematic working will call for a very considerable further outlay of capital, the employment of very capable men, and the use of the best modern appliances known to modern free-mining gold mining.

In reference to a recent application to the court made by Dr. Carroll, as trustee of a considerable amount of treasury stock in the Golden Cache Co., it is stated on good authority that a paragraph which appeared in the last issue of the Mining Record conveys a somewhat mistaken idea of Dr. Carroll's posiapplied, as we notice, for a directory orregards all interested, as of course under the circumstances incumbent upon him. The application was therefore no one sided request.

AWFUL ATTEMPT TO MURDER

Francis Jones, Storekeeper at Hall's Crossing, the Victim of a Terrible Assault.

Hit Over the Head With an Axe and His Throat Cut from Ear to Ear.

The Motive of the Attempted Murder was Robbery-Two Tramps Under Arrest.

Francis Jones, the storekeeper Hall's Crossing on the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway, lies at the point of death at a neighbor's house, having been the victim of an awful attempt at murder for robbery, made at five o'clock last evening. Mr. Jones was struck Blanchard street. in the dark and he has been unconscious most of the time since, so he cannot give a very clear account of what occurred, nor can he identify his assailant or as sailants, for he cannot say whether there was one or more. One thing certain, the police did not lose any time in ed after an all night chase.

of the store picking a grouse, when from Townsend. hearing a noise in the store he went to see who it was. He had hardly placed boldt and the seven men comprising the his foot in the store when he was struck crew of the Vesta, left Carmanah Point. down with an axe, receiving a terrible Port San Juan was made without any wound in the head. The men must have difficulty, but here a gale sprang up and been bloodthirsty brutes for not being a run had to be made for shelter. satisfied with the axe they stooped over the body of the unconscious man and a strong head wind was encountered and ent his throat from ear to ear, without, it was decided to make for Neah Bay. however, severing the jugular. Then This was no easy task, quite a sea runthey robbed their victim of \$126, this ning in the straits and water being conhaving seemingly been the object of the tinually shipped, one man being kept

murderous assault. When Mr. Jones regained conscious ness he succeeded in creeping to the steamer was taken to Port Townsend. house of a neighbor, Mr. Dunn. He had hardly reached there when he again became unconscious. Since then he has been conscious and unconscious at intervals.

Supt. Hussey has made arrangements which will prevent any suspicious the schooner first struck. For several characters from leaving the Island until the guilty parties are under arrest. A dispatch received from Duncan's to-

day says Mr. Jones will live. ALDERMAN HARRISON DEAD

The Representative in the Council from the South Ward Passes Away.

James Bolton Harrison, alderman for the South Ward, died this morning at his residence, Quebec street, after an illness that has extended over several years, but which could not keep him from his work as an alderman, in which with the rise of the tide, assisted by the he was so deeply interested, until a couple of months ago. For several years Mr. Harrison has been a very sick side the bank, where she stands as man. A few months ago he slipped on a piece of tin at his house, and injured his hip, since which time he has not been able to be out.

The deceased was a native of Yarm, Yorkshire, England, and was sixty-six years of age. He came to British Columbia in the sixties and has resided here ever since. A section of the C.P.R. was built by Mr. Harrison, on the completion of which he took up his residence in Victoria. He was a member of the aldermanic board in 1889 and 1890, dropping out at the election of 1891 to take charge as inspector of sewerage construction. Last year he ran the South Ward and was elected. Mr. Harrison leaves no family, his wife having died two years ago. There will be many who will miss him as they did Mrs. Harrison, they having been ever ready to help the needy, their pretty little home being ever open to those who wanted help and comfort.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Justice Walkem gave his judgment this morning in Hayes vs. Powers, dismissing the defendant's summons for an interpleader. In giving his reasons his lordship upheld the plaintiff's contention that the bet could be declared off any time before the event on which the bet was made took place. The summons was dismissed, with costs to be paid by the defendant, Powers. This does not decide the case, which may go down to trial now in the ordinary way. G. E. Powell for plaintiff and Herbert Robert- and placed his man in charge. son for defendant.

Paris, Dec. 18 .- M. Derodays, editor of the Figaro, resigned because his support of the Dreyfusites is unpopular.

Awarded Highest Honors-World's Fair. Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.



A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 10 YEARS THE STANDARD.

HENRY JEWEL DEAD. Succumbs to a Surgical Operation at the Jubilee Hospital.

Henry Jewell, one of the best known and most highly respected of Victoria's citizens, died rather unexpectedly at the Jubilee Hospital yesterday evening near midnight, after a delicate surgical opera-

Deceased spent part of his pioneer days in golden Cariboo, and for many years was a successful merchant in this building during the "good times" of a few years ago, the fine brick block on the corner of Yates and Douglas streets, which bears his name. He was first Grand Recorder of the A.O.U.W. for the jurisdiction of British Columbia, and for the last ten years he has been recorder of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, A.O.U.W. Deceased suffered, as did many others,

severe business reverses after the collapse of the boom, and for the past two years he has been in the employ of the city electric light department. The less of his wife a few years ago proved a severe blow and his health rapidly declined since that sad event. Three

The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 p.m. from the family residence, 91

VESTA'S CREW SAFE.

They Crossed to Neah Bay and Reached Port Townsend.

The crew of the schooner Vesta, wreck ed nine miles beyond Carmanah Point. acting. Twelve hours after the assault for whom grave fears were entertained, are safe. Thomas Daykin, Jr., of Car-Pongall arrested at Oyster Bay two manah Point, who started from home tramps, who had been skulking ar- early on Wednesday morning to pilot the ound the vicinity and placed them in crew to Victoria, pleasantly surprised his jail at Duncans. The arrest was effectton this morning. He and the crew of the Vesta reached Port Townsend yes-The assault was a most brutal one. terday from Neah Bay, but for some rea-Mr. Jones was in a room at the rear son the news of their safety was not sent It was 8 o'clock on Wednesday morn-

ing when Mr. Daykin, Captain Lomthe evening, the storm having abated, another start was made for Victoria, but bailing. But the boat was a big, staunch whaler and a good sailer, and during the night she made Neah Bay. Here a The Vesta will never be floated. She was driven over a reef of rocks which run parallel with the shore and with the rise of the tide was carried right up to the band broadside on and right against the telegraph wires. It was 5 o'clock on the morning of the 9th when days the weather had been very bad, in fact, so bad that Captain Lomboldt had lost all reckoning and thought until daylight came that he had been driven on the American shore, ten miles below Flattery. A southeast gale carried the schooner in towards the shore and over the rocky reef that skirts it. When she struck the lead was heaved and showed that there were but two feet of water, and being protected by the reef the crew were enabled to reach shore without great difficulty. After they found out their position they went to work and right up on the sandy beach and along-

there. But a closer examination shows that the casual observer would imagine. There is a suspicious looking bend in her decks and rails, which tell of a broken back, and her hull was pretty badly cut up by the jagged rocks of the reef. She will certainly never be floated, for it would cost more to move her from her present position than it would take to build a new schooner.

The crew having saved their provisions cok a look around, and almost alongside the schooner found a post, on which was painted: "Nine miles to Carmanah." This was the first intimation they had of where they really were, and was rather reassuring, telling as it did of shelter not far distant. For two days they remained with the wreck, fearing to start for Carmanah on account of the heavy rain that was falling. When they did start they had no trouble in making the trip, meeting the linemen and other parties, who piloted them to the Carmanah lighthouse, where so many shipwrecked crews have enjoyed the hospitalities of Mr. Daykin and his family.

Captain Lomboldt gave Thomas Daykin, Jr., authority to take charge of the wreck and he went down, examined her, placed a man in charge and returned to Carmanah to bring the crew to Victoria, On the schooner he found two men, Mc-Donald and Guptill, who held that having boarded her first they had a claim on her. Mr. Daykin soon ousted them

The Vesta is a three-masted wooder chooner of 286 tons. She was built in San Francisco in 1882 and is owned by Mr. Madison, of that city. Mr. Daykin reported the particulars of the wreck to Collector Milne to-day and also the fact that the man McDonald, who claims salvage, had removed some articles from the vessel. McDonald will be brought to account for this. In the meantime the wreck is in charge of Special Constables Irwin and C. T.

Daykin. There is no medicine in the world equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the cure of throat and lung diseases. This is a fact that has been proven in numberless cases. Here is a sample of thousands of letters received: "I have tried Chamberlain's Cough Remedy while suffering from a severe throat trouble, and found immediate and effective relief. I can unhesitatingly recommend it."—Edgar W. Whittemore, Editor Grand Rivers (Ky.) Herald. For sale at Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents. Victoria and Vancouver.

If you are tired taking the large, old-fashioned, griping pills, try Carter's Little Liver Pills and take some comfort. A man can't stand everything. One pill, a dose. Try them.

Yukon Administrator Lost a Large Part of His Outfit and is Waiting for Relief.

Men Coming Out From Dawson Have a Hard Time Along the Trail.

Another Eight Hundred Men Induced to go to Fort Yukon for Provisions.

The latest advices from Dawson City are not reassuring-in fact they put on an even worse face on the condition of things than did the reports brought out by Jack Dalton. There are also a number of men between Dawson and the ships. Included in these latter are Madistrict, and the members of his party, who lost a large portion of their provisions, while one member of the party named Freeman was drowned in the Lewis river.

These late advices were brought down W. Kastner and George McLachlan. count of float ice, no solid ice being en-countered until Lake Le Barge was prior to their coast cruise, and when the

is waiting at Big Salmon for his dog rains to arrive from Skagway with a fresh supply of provisions, the therout Freeman was unable to reach She is awaiting orders.

Eight miles below Rink Rapids Kasted the river, and were unable to get back it had frozen.

Altogether Kastner's party passed 30 men who were coming out. He had been for seven hours were engaged in remov- able to make better progress than they ing the stores from the schooner. Then on account of having discarded all unnecessary luggage. None of these men tremendous sea, the vessel was carried had more than enough provisions, and they were suffering severely from cold. Just before Kastner left Dawson the straight as though she had been built government officials and the officers of attle. She brought no news of the icemanaged to decrease the population of trip to Fort Yukon a stock of provisions per river. free of charge. Of course there were some bull-headed enough to decline the offer, saying it was a scheme of the just enough provisions to last on the from the Hastings mills. way. In Dawson there are already many Kastner thinks there are enough provisions in Dawson for the present population, if they were only equally divided, but, unfortunately, some have plenty

while others have none. There are a few men who have thre or four months' provisions cached. Another thousand men were preparing to leave Dawson when Kastner's party left, but most of them will wait until the snow is hard and the ice in the river is solid. Joe Brandt, of Juneau, will come out on the first ice, and has offered to bring out a limited number of men at one thousand dollars each. Starvation is certain for many at Dawson, and many will perish along the trails, says Kastner. The steamers Bella and Weare had very small cargoes, the Bella barely anything and the Weare only 25 tons and that mostly whisky due on December 28th. and sugar. The supply of flour is near-ly exhausted. It was sold by the companies at \$12 a sack, while miners who

the men are working. the trails and waiting at the lakes for the trial of the suit brought by the the ice to form. They were all advised to give up their hazardous trip, the amount of \$3,000. but kept on in hopes of getting past the police, who are now keeping al back. When a party outfitted like Major Walsh's was and managed by men who had had experience in such work could not succeed, what could a poorly outfitted party of inexperienced men expect to do. Major Walsh, Kastner says, ton Powder Works. will not get past Fort Selkirk this win ter, and it will be some time before the police party, who are waiting at the lakes for the ice to form to rush provision to Dawson for the relief of that city reaches them. Kastner arrived at Dawson on Sept. 22, and leased claims 20 and 40 below on Bonanza creek, on both of which work has been started. the best that I have used, and gladly

any amount of gambling. Major Walsh imated in conversation with Kastner that if he reached Dawson he would put a stop to this.

A SAILOR DROWNED.

One of the Crew of the Senator Knocked Overboard, 100 11 United States Marshal M. Shoup, of

Juneau, came down from the Alaskan capital on the steamer Corona, which arrived vesterday evening, bringing with him a batch of prisoners who are to be taken to San Quentin to serve their sentences. Among the prisoners is "Slim" Birch, the notorious criminal, who led the (flicers of the law such a Referred to the Ministers' Connecchase in the north lands some time ago, when they were after him for killing a warden named Watt. He was acquitted on the charge of killing the warden by a Juneau jury, and on the charge of mayhem, an old charge on which he was convicted, he was sentenced to lakes who are suffering untold hard- three years imprisonment. The other prisoners were two Indians, one going to jor Walsh, administrator of the Yukon serve a life sentence and the other seven years for the murder of an Indian. There was a number of other prisoners who are to serve terms running from six to eighteen menths for smaller offences.

The sealing schooner Doris, which was of Montana, who arrived here last even- to have sailed yesterday on her coast ing on the Corona, having left Dawson cruise, has returned to the inner harbor on Nov. 3 in company with P. J. Hol- and this evening, in consequence of orand, George Ruth and William King. ders received from her owners, she will reached. They started with 400 pounds Mary Ellen comes off the ways the other

The British ship Senator arrived at Esquimalt this morning after a very mometer registered from 52 to 70 below zero. Major Walsh has had an goa Bay. She has encountered most serough passage of 107 days from Delaawful experience and Mr. Kastner says vere weather. Gale after gale being he will never get to Dawson. He lost met with until the vessel arrived in the two boats and a large portion of his straits. On the 15th of last month one provisions, and most of what he did of the crew, an able seaman named save has been damaged. If the dog Robert Louis of Holyhead, was knocked gard to honesty) for a valuable consid-sixty acres (more or less) of land situated trains do not soon reach him the gov- overboard while bending a foresail and ernment officials will suffer from the drowned. A boat was lowered immewant of food. Freeman lost his life on diately but the unfortunate man sank Thanksgiving day. He had gone ashore before it could be manned. During the on float ice and was returning to the leavy storms the Senator was badly boat when she was caught by a block used by the gales. She broached twice of ice and carried under. The two other | and had some of her rigging, her backoccupants of the boat saved themselves, stays and lower topsails carried away.

Capt. A. B. Whidden who recently rener and his partner met another party in turned from Cocos Island has received a a bad predicament. He could not obtain letter from Capt. Gissler, the German, their names, but they were coming out who for the past five years has been from Dawson. Two of them had cross- boring the island for the \$30,000,000 in gold, silver and jewels said to be hidden back to their companions, who had all there. The letter was dated from San the provisions. When they crossed the Jose de Guatamala and in it Gissler ice was solid, but before they could get says that on hearing that H. M. S. Amphion had gone to the island in search of the treasure he had chartered the sislature and of the said German bark Niagara and was about to return to the island to look after his interests.

The United States revenue cutter Wolcott called at Union yesterday on her way down from the Copper river to Sethe Alaska Commercial Company had bound whalers nor did she see the U.S.S. Bear, which sailed to their relief a short by promising all those who made the weather has been very mild at the Cop-

From Saturday's Daily.

The steamer Tacoma will sail to-moregovernment to get them out of the coun- row for China and Japan taking a large try. They seem to have a lingering number of Chinamen to the Flowery hope that provisions will reach them by Kingdom, the majority going over to some means, but this is impossible for spend the holidays with their friends some months at least, for at present it intending to return in the spring, and is barely possible to make the trip with 100,000 feet of lumber for Yokohama She has but one white passenger, Chief Officer Mormen in the hospital, their sickness gan of the steamer Pelican, who left brought on by living on short rations. the missing steamer shortly before she left on her eventful voyage. Not a word has been heard from the long overdie liner since she sailed from Port Townsend on October 12th last with lumber for Tientsin. She is now about fifty days overdue, and it is feared that she lost. A remarkable coincidence is noticed when the fact is taken into con-sideration that the Pelican left port on the same day of the same month that the Strathnevis of this line sailed on her memorable voyage when she was so long overdue, and so many relief vessels were sent to search for her. As will be remembered the Strathnevis was about seventy days overdue when picked up by the collier Mineola. The steamer Victoria, of the Northern Pacific line, which sailed from Yokohama on December 14th, will keep watch for her on the way across. The Victoria is

The claim of the C.P.N. Co. against have any to dispose of get from \$100 to been settled, and now only the suit for the ship Senator, Capt. Harrison, has \$150 a sack. The candles, too are just salvage brought by the Sadie's owners about exhausted, and this will also tend for similar services remains against her. to lessen the output of gold, as they are very necessary to light the shafts while J. G. Cox and Mr. D. Cartmel, who place her value at \$10,000. Arrangements There are still many men going over have been made for her release pending

The Nicaraguan bark Wrestler, Captain Neilson, now discharging nitrate at the Victoria Chemical Works, will leave for Departure Bay on Monday evening in tow of the tug Constance to discharge the balance of her cargo at the Hamil-

The steam freighter Oscar returned yesterday evening from Tacoma. She will leave this evening for Nanaimo.

Catarrh Cured for 25 cents. I suffered from catarrh for years, and have found Dr. Chase's Catarrh Oure No crimes have been committed since recommend it to sufferers. Yours truly those reported by Dalton, but there is HARRYSTONE, Rainham Centre, Ont.

Information Laid by Messrs Turner and Pooley Against the Province and Times.

The Article Complained of Appeared in the Two Papers on

reached. They started with 400 pounds on the sleds, but before they had giome far they had to discard their sleds, bedding, and everything that was not absolutely necessary. Then the food gave out, and for three days before they had been on very short rations. The weather was terribly cold and the members of the party suffered greatly, having to sleep on pine boughs beside the fire at night, and then getting very light sleep. One of them was badly frozen.

When they passed Major Walsh, who is waiting at Big Salmon for his dog government of the said province, of which they are members, at the disposal of a certain commercial company or companies, with which they are connected, and that they are lending such their official influence and official knowledge as such members of the said executive council to the promotion of companies of gard to honesty) for a valuable consid-sixty acres (more or less) of land situated eration direct or indirect to a large amount paid or given or to be paid or given by such companies to each of them the said John Herbert Turner and the southwest corner; Charles Edward Pooley therefor, and that such their conduct constituted a corrupt bargain and sale of themselves and prostitution of such their public offices for their own private gain as men in high places, meaning their said places as such minister of finance and agriculas such minister of finance and agriculture and president of said executive council, and as such members of the legislature of the province of British Cotumbia is dishonest and corruptly accepted or attempted to obtain for himself. ed or attempted to obtain for himself money or reliable consideration on account of something done or omitted, or ling at a post marked G. O., being the capacity as such member of the said le-

> council. "These are therefore to command you. in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear before me on Tuesday, the twenty first day of December, one thousand. eight hundred and ninety-seven, at 10 o'clock in the forencon at the police

court at the City Hall." etc. Summonses were served on Mr. Coltart and Senator Templeman to-day. R. the Vesta did not get off as easily as Dawson by another 800. This was done time ago. The Wolcott reports that the Cassidy is acting for Messrs. Turner and Pooley. The case will no doubt excite considerable interest in the city and province before the end is reached.

> A Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Towle. of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be. "Since I've had your Cough Remedy, haby has been threatened with croup ever so many times, but I would give him a dose of the remedy and it prevented his having it every time." Hundreds of mothers say the same. Sold by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

> NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session by the Central Canada Loan and Savings Company of Ontario for an act to enable the said company to carry on business anywhere in the Dominion of Canada and to consolidate, define and declare its liabilities, obligations and powers.
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> E. T. MALONE.
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> Solicitor for Applicants.

Dated at Toronto, Dec. 1st, 1897. Dated at Toronto, Dec. 1st, 1897.

TAKE NOTICE that application will be made to the Legislative-Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, on behalf of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited, for an act conferring on the company the following powers, in addition to those now possessed by them: To purchase or otherwise acquire the whole or any of the property and rights possessed by any rallway company incorporated by a charter or charters from the Legislative Assembly of the Povince of British Columbia, and to rarry out and perform the works specified in such charter or charters, and to equip, work, maintain, improve and operate the said railways, and to carry on the business of telegraph and telephone companies, and to carry on the business of carriers by land or water, warehousemen and forwarding agents.

BODWELL, IRVING & DUFF.

Solicitors for the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited.

18th Nov., 1897. dec9 6w

AGENTS—Book business is better than for years past; also have better and faster selling books. Agents clearing from \$10 to \$40 weekly. A few leaders are: "Queen Victoria," "Life of Mr. Gladstone," "My Mother's Bible Stories." "Progressive Speaker." "Klondike Gold Fields." "Woman," "Glimpses of the Unseen," "Freek fast, Dinner and Supper." "Canada: An Enclyclopaedia." Books on time. Outfits free to canvassers. THE BRADLEY. GARRETSON CO., Limited, Toronto. ANY PERSON wishing to send the Victoria-Klondike map and folder to their friends will please furnish a list of the names and addresses to F. Blworthy, Board of Trade Building, and they will be mailed free. nov2-tf

FOR SALE—My farm at Boundary near Ladners; 165½ acres choice part upland and part bottom land, run as a dairy farm, with cream se tor, cattle and implements; will be

NOTICE is hereby given that application will made to the Parliament of Canada at

next session for an act to incorporate company with power to construct, acquir equip, operate and maintain a railway either standard or narrow gauge by eith steam, electricity or any other moti-power for the conveyance of passenger freight and merchandise from a point at near Pyramid Harbor on Chlicat Inlet, the head of Lynn Canal in the Province British Columbia, thence up the Chil the head of Lynn Canal in the Provin British Columbia, thence up the Vin British Columbia, thence up the Vin British Columbia, thence up the Vin British Columbia, thence in a nerly direction by the most feasible to a point at or/near Five Finger point the Lewis river, thence to a point near Fort Selkirk in the Northwest 1 tories, and with power to construct, e operate and maintain branch lines, are connection therewith and with the objects of the company all necessary relevators and warehouses, and to equip, charter, navigate, control, on Saturday Last.

connection therewith the company all necessary roads, elevators and warehouses, and to build, equip, charter, navigate, control, operate and maintain steam and other passenger, the rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent to the line of said railway or in connection therewith or with the other operations and works of the company, and to carry on a general express business, and with power to the line of said railway or in connection the rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent to the line of said railway or in connection therewith to with the other operations and works of the company, and to carry on a general express business, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines; and with power to acquire and build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of compressing air or generating electricity for lighting, hearing and motor purposes; and to utilize therewith to acquire and build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of compressing air or generating electricity for lighting, hearing and motor purposes; and to build, equip, operate and maintain steam and other passenger, the rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent to the line of said railway or in connection therewith to build, equip, operate and ferry steamers and vessels upon to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line of said railway or in connection to the line inal libel. The information was sworn to yesterday afternoon by Messrs. Turner and Pooley before Police Magistrate Macrae.

The alleged libel was published in the Province on Saturday last and copied into the Times on the same day, in an article dealing with the Ministers' Connection with a Klondike company.

The information goes on: "And which libes was written in the sense of imparting the sense of the company, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, bonuses, ment, municipality or other persons or body corporate; and to make tradic and other arilways or steamboat companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in connection with the construction of such railway or other works of the company and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using the same or any other roads of the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway, and or all freight passing over any of such roads, reliable to the railway and or all freight passing over any of such roads, reliable to the railway and or all freight passing over any of such roads, reliable to the railway or other works of the company and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using the said railway, vessels or ferries of the company, and or all freight passing over any of such roads.

Solicitors for the Applicants

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works on the northeastern shore of Alice Arm, Coast district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked R. C., being thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to post marked N. W.; thence south following shore line to point of com-

Dated this 10th day of October, 1897. ROBERT CUNNINGHAM. Alice Arm. B. C.

northeastern bank of Alice Arm, Coast disto be afterwards omitted by him in his southwest corner; thence east 40 chains; thence west 40 following the windings of shore line to point of commencement. Dated this 10th day of October, 1897

GEORGE CUNNINGHAM.

Alice Arm. NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situate in Cassiar district, viz: Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of E. M. Snilivan's pre-emution claim at south end planted at the northwest corner of E. M. Sullivan's pre-emption claim at south end of Bennet lake; thence south forty (40) chains; thence west forty (40) chains; thence north eighty (80) chains; thence ast twenty (20) chains, more or less, to the shore of Bennet lake; thence following the lake shore in a southeasterly direction to the point of commencement, and comprising about three hundred (300) acres, more or less.

H. A. MUNN.

Bennet Lake, B. C., Nov. 4th, 1897. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purhase 160 acres of land situated on the South Arm of Teelin Lake and on the west side of the Arm or Slough thereof, commencing at the southeast corner post of C. E. Thomas' claim, thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the said Arm or Slough thereof, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to C. E. Thomas' line, thence east 40 chains to JOHN ALEXANDER HINTON.

Victoria, B.C., Oct. 16, 1897. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on the outh Arm of Teslin Lake, west side of the Arm, commencing at the southeast corner post of A. Boyd's claim; thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the Arm; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains to A. Boyd's line; thence east 40 chains to the point of commence-

ment. CHARLES EDWARD THOMAS. Victoria, B. C., 18th Oct., 1897. oc19-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date we intend to apply to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of unoccupied Crown lands, situated on an Arm of Sidney Inlet on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, commencing at the northeast corner, thence west 40 chains thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains along the beach to place of commencement. Dated this 21st day of October, 1897.
THOMAS STOCKHAM

WALTER T. DAWLEY, JOHN IRVING.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date we the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following unoccupied land situated so Sharp Point, Sidney Inlet, Olayoquot district, commencing at a post marked J. A. Drinkwater, Jas. B. Thompson, K. Beterson, J. W. Russell, S.B. corner post running forty chains north, thence forty chains west, thence forty chains south thence forty chains east to point of commencement. J. A. DRINKWATER. JAS. B. THOMSON. K. PETERSON. J. W. RUSSELL. C., 20th Nov., 1897.

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Some Reassuring Criticism Conditions. New York, Dec. 20 .- A let

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by one of the foremost di Spain and one more or less in confidence of the government fore in a position to speak of stroyed some of the arguments been used time after time past few days by those in op the Liberal ministry, says t correspondent of the Herald,

Speaking of this ministry, points out irrefutably that I y's message cannot be const tacking the honor of the Span like to make the public believ second place, Gen. Weyler w called owing to pressure from States, as by the express w Queen Regent his recall had be pon during the late Premie lifetime. In the third place. as a whole appears to be mo in favor of the government been the case in Spain for a Everyone is eager to have do Cuban question, and at this ment the city is decorated and ed as a sign of rejoicing over lishment of peace in the Ph lands, while on every hand wishes that the next bill of will be of a lasting peace in

DIED IN THE DOUGH New York, Dec. 20.-The H Circumstances pointing to a unusual horror were recently the attention of Distrinct At cott and Captain McCluskey, tective bureau, the alleged vice case having been Peter De years old, who, if his relative fied in their stories, was thro dough-mixing vat at 427 Wes street on August 28th last at

cut to pieces. DIPLOMATIC UNDERST Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 20.-Th and Italian government have agreement settling the incid killing of the Italians at Spiri last month. Italy admits tha no cause for diplomatic inte

NOT BORN TO DRO San Francisco, Dec. 20.-T er Mayflower, Captain Olsen, ed, fifteen days from Coquille vessel had 112,000 feet of ly cargo when she started, bu reached here she was 10,000 A seaman was at one time c the side of the schooner, but by a wave and was carried

board again. SWEDEN AND NORV London, Dec. 20.-A dispa Christiania to the Daily Chr of the united committee on fairs has become critical, and ed that Sweden wil seek an o armed intervention in Norwa;

DUTIES ON PIGS AND PE Paris, Dec. 20.—The cham puties to day passed a bill increastoms duties on pigs, pig pr lard. The bill fixed a duty 12 francs; on sucking pigs at 3 hog products at 50 francs a at 35 francs per hundred kild

AUTONOMY DISCOURAGE Madrid, Dec. 20.-Lieut. captuin-general of Puerto Ri to resign owing to the impos reconciliation of the differen islands with a view of