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warmth and life into national existence

eparately, the Novoe Vremya says the

appointment of ministers to the commit-tees for dealing with the several prob-

lems involved will form a connecting link between the government and the people

between departmental chiefs. The Novoe Vremya characterizes the ukase as a

claims of liberalism, and says it

Dynamite Outrage.

sleet, ferry boats were hampered by

street car traffic was at a standstill.

Counting the fog as a component part,

mountains to New York, and from Win-

night the storm was reported as subsid-

At Chicago and east of here the storm

ed from one to six hours late.

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A WARNING TO THE

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GOVERNMENT DECIDES ON VIGOROUS MEASURES

Disorders Will be Suppressed With a Firm Hand-Zemstvos Must Curb Their Activities.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The follow-put in a fair way of accurate and satisfactory settlement. ing communication was issued by the government early this morning:

Zemstvos of the various governments who expressed a series of desires concerning what are, in their opinion, indispensable reforms in the different govern- mation, during the riots at Raxon two ments of the empire. These desires were railway bridges were blown up, and an made the subjects of action by members of various other assemblies which met for the purpose and also, knowing the provisions of law, were considered at the deliberations of certain councils and Zemsberations of certain councils and Zemsvos. Thus by the action of people, who
andeavored to introduce discord into public and state life, excitement arose in the
minds of certain sections of society,
chiefly among impressionable youths. In
certain towns of the empire there occurred a series of noisy meetings, which demanded the presentation to the government of certain demands which were inment of certain towns of the sacred

IN GRASP OF BLIZZARD.

Wind and Snowstorm in the South
western States.

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western States.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—This portion of the southwest to-day was in the
grasp of a genuine blizzard, the first
with,
mentioned though freedom for all creeds
or sects, whether Christian or otherwise,
is among the subjects which will be dealt
with,
The various subjects will be referred
to committees for early report.

The impegial decree, which is entitled,
The impegial decree, which is entitled,
Scheme for the Improvement of the
order. The committee has also to report
to us as to the subsequent progress of

fallen to the lot of Russia, blinded by following the heavy snowstorm, have chimerical hopes of profits which they might expect from a radical change in the ancient foundation of the Russian on top of the snow covered pavements.

"Now the duty of the government is to preserve order in the state and protect the public confidence from all change in suburban trolley lines were almost parasuburban trolley lines were late on every line. the true course of internal life. There-fore any destruction of order and peace and all meetings of an anti-government wherefor must and will be storned by character must and will be stopped by character must and will be stopped by all legal means at the disposition of the Pennsylvania the wires are coated with authorities; and those concerned in these ice. disorders, especially persons employed in sponsible.

ponsible.

fog so dense that it was almost dark at
"Zemstvos and town councils and 7.30 a.m., and ferry boats bringing the every form of institution must not go thousands of people employed in the city beyond the limits provided for them and from Jersey City and Brooklyn picked must not concern themselves in questions their way slowly from slip to slip in conin the consideration of which they have stant danger of collision. No serious acno legal authority. Presidents of public meetings who allow consideration to take place of matters not in their province—of questions of general government. are liable under the existing laws, and Great Lakes to-day, causing much trouble organs of the press with the knowledge to street cars, railroads and telegraphs. of the responsibility which resis upon. The latter were the greatest sufferers, them, must for their part introduce the ing effect on public life, fog and rain. Railroad trains were badwhich has deviated in recent times from ly delayed, some being 24 hours late,

its proper course.' Convention at Moscow.

Moscow, Dec. 27 .- The Zemstvo congress of the Moscow government opened | the storm stretched from the Rocky to-day. Prince Tributezkoi, the presint, in his opening address dwelt upon | nipeg to New Orleans. At 10 o'clock tothe serious condition of Russia and the egretable war with Japan, the end of ing at Kansas City, but it will be sevwhich could not be anticipated, as well eral days before normal conditions are as a grave economical crisis through restored. which the country is passing, and the in-All this, he said, lay as a heavy yoke on is expected to continue throughout the the Russian people and produced the con- | night, its centre apparently being bedition of strong nervous excitement un- tween Chicago and Cleveland. der which it labored.

Nicholas of a resolution announcing Czarevitch Zemstvos had set aside the Towa the storm raged with great fury. capital sum of \$150,000 to be devoted to the construction of new schools, and that the Emperor should be asked to name the new foundation after his son fall early last night and played havoc Alexis. Continuing, the Prince declared with the railroads and some trains from Alexis. Continuing, the Trans at the Pacific coast were reported to-night Mirsky's assurances of confidence in the people had given the Zemstvo new power new power Nashville, Louisville, New Orleans to serve the state. The Zemstvo had firm confidence in the Emperor. They believed the happy day was nigh when, after noon and increased with great regime, which had estranged the suhanged the day on which the Emperor, rapidity until 5.50 o'clock, the wind atsummon freely elected representations the people to participate in By 7 o'clock it blew 50 miles an hour. would sum legislation, through whose co-operation the Imperial power and greatness of the throng would be supposed from 34 to 11 throne would be strengthened and the above zero. triumphant development of the Fatherand assured. The development, the mmutabelity of the principles of the law. the inviolability of person and equality of rights for all citizens, as well as free down and all operations suspended. dom of speech and faith, which would bring them a strengthening of the close and strong ties between the throne and the people, and enable them to co-operate for the good of the Fatherland.

and hope this will realize all the best

The address was adopted by a majority of the votes in the congress. Comments on Ukase. St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.-The reform. ukase is given an especially favorable reception by the press. The Novoe Vremya, concluding a long analysis of

terrific winds.

fully five hundred derricks were blown GOING TO THIBET.

The damage in the city of Madison,

Wis., is estimated at about \$100,000.

especially heavy in the oil fields, where

Tientsin, Dec. 27.-Tang Shao Ki, Tao Tai of Tientsin, left this morning en route to Thibet to investigate conditions Tang Shao Ki, who was educated at Yale College, was formerly secretary to Yuan Shai Kan, viceroy of Chili province. He is conversant with foreign affairs, and is not considered anti-for assuring the limitation of the rights of eign, although jealous of Chinese interests. He was commanded in the latter part of September to proceed to Thibet. where the actual safety of the state is and was created a metropolitan officer of threatened.

warmth and life into national existence throughout the Empire." Taking the provisions of the ukase

and the sovereign, and that it believes the ministers will be able to work more effectively. A common council, the paper says, will dissipate such misunder-standing and friction hereafter existing MANIFESTO HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE CZAR

strong and favorable answer to the glad to see so much space and interest Subjects Brought to the Emperor's Atdevoted to the peasant question, which tention Will Be Considered by andoubtedly is one of the most serious problems of national life.

The Novosti Russ comments in a simi Council of Ministers.

lar tone, asserting that the great prob-lem of national life is for the first time St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.-Emperor Nicholas's long expected reform ukase, issued last evening, deals, under "In the autumn of this year there was a meeting in St. Petersburg of several Russian authorities have closed Moscow attention by the memorial of the con-London, Dec. 27.-A dispatch from St. attention by the memorial of the con-University until February 1st owing to gress of Zemstvos presidents held here According to the same source of inforlast month, and, while not specifically pledging the government to carry out the various reforms in their entirety, as demanded by the memorial, promises attempt was made to dynamite the statue of Alexander II., but only the that each shall be referred to the council of ministers, with orders to report of these changes, to fix an order of promptly on the fullest measure of repromptly on the fullest measure of re-lief which can be accorded on the vari-

manded the presentation to the government of certain demands which were inadmissable in the face of the sacred
foundations of the laws of the empire
and the indestructible elements which
form the government. These sections of
the face of the sacred
foundations of the laws of the empire
and towa, over the whole of Kansas
and into Oklahama and Indian territory.
Snow fell to a depth of a foot, and was
the public made street demonstrations in
bands and openly resisted the police authority.

"Such movements against the existing
order of the government which have
fallen adversely upon the bulk of the
Russian people, who are loyal to the
everlasting foundations of the existing
government, gave to the excitement
above referred to an undeserved importance of a general tendency. The Russian people involved in this movement,
forgetful of the grievous year which has
fallen to the lot of Russia, blinded by

The various subjects will be referred
to committees for early report.

The impenial decree, which is entitled,
and trains in every direction were delayed and stalled. Telephone and telegraph wires were rendered useless. The
thermometer is close to the zero mark,
showing a fall in temperature since midnight of 11 degree, and a fall of 65 degrees in 24 hours. More snow with continued fall in temperature was predicted.

In New York Also.

New York, Dec. 27.—Rain and sleet,
following the heavy snowstorm, have

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Scheme for the Improvement of the State, and trains in the extended through Missouri into Nebrask

"When the need of this or that change is proved ripe, then we consider it necessary to neet it, even though the trans-formation to which this leads involves state and life and not knowing what and sidewalks the rain has formed a they were doing, acted to the advanage const of ice, and New York to-day was not or the country, but of its entire the strate skatime point. The rails of the surface cars and elevated tracks meet with the sympathy of the well-dis-posed section of our subjects, who see the true prosperity of the Fatherland in the support of civil tranquility and the

needs of the people.
'Placing in the forefront of our care thought for the best ordering of the life of the most numerous of our estates, the peasant population, we may remark that In addition to the delay caused by his matter is already under examina-

vestigation of the initial proposals of the ministry of the interior, which are being carried out locally, conferences are now | tion treaty with the United States. being held by commissioners especially selected from among the most experienced of the highest administrative officommand those of labor to bring the laws regarding peasants into unity with Washington, although as yet the general imperial legislation, thereby facilitating the task of attaining permanent security of this estate which, by In its extent the storm was the most decree of the Czar liberator, is recognized widespread of any in fifteen years. as consisting of free citizens possessing full rights.

"First-The adoption of effective neasures for safeguarding the law in its full force as the most important pillar of the throne of the autocratic empire, i order that its inviolate fulfilment for all alike shall be regarded as the first duty by all the authorities and in all places subject to us; that its nonfulfilment ternal disorganization of the Empire. is still raging with great violence, and shall inevitably bring with it legal re sponsibility for every arbitrary act, and that persons who have suffered wrong such acts shall be enabled to secure Reports from Kansas City early to- legal redress.

Prince Tributezkoi then proposed the day were that the storm was accom-"Second-That local and municipal inadoption and forwarding to Emperor panied by high winds and snow, which stitutions should be given as wide scope Nicholas of a resolution announcing on the level would have been about one as possible in the administration of that to commemorate the birth of the foot in depth. All through western various matters affecting local welfare, on them the necessary independence All trains in this section were reportwithin legal limitations, and that repre-In St. Paul the snow commenced to sentatives of all sections of the por tion interested in local matters should be called upon, in equitable conditions, take part in those institutions with a view to the completest satisfaction possible of their needs. Besides the governments and Zemstvo district institualso established in connection with them The storm struck Chicago shortly of local affairs in localities of smaller ex-

"Third-That, in order to secure equality of persons of all classes before the law, steps should be taken to bring about the necessary unification of judical prosure independence of the courts. "Fourth-That for the future development of the measures introduced by us Prince said, was dependent upon the the damage done by the storm will be for the protection of workmen in factories, workshops and commercial establishments, attention is to be given to the question of the introduction of state in-

trance for workmen. "Fifth-That there should be a revision of the exceptional laws decreed at the time of an unparalleled outbreak the administrative authorities; and that at the same time steps should be taken for circumscribing their application with-

the imperial manifesto of March 3rd, 1904, for the protection by the fundamental laws of the empire of tolerance in matters of faith, the laws dealing with the rights of communities and per-sons belonging to heterodox and non-Christian confessions should be submitted to revision, and that, independently of this, measures should be taken for the removal of all limitations on the exercise of their religions not directly men-

tioned in the law.
"Seventh—That there should be such revision of existing ordinances limitating the rights of foreigners and others in certain localities of the empire that in the future there shall remain only such of them as are required by the present interests of the empire and the manifest needs of our people. eeds of our people.
"Eighth-That all unnecessary restric-

tions should be removed from the existing press laws, and that printed speeches should be placed within clearly defined legal limits; that the native press, in acordance with the progress of education and the independence thereby accruing to it, should be left to the possibility of lows: "Acting upon the above principles, with a view to a series of great internal changes impending in the early future part whereof, under instructions previously given by us, are already under preliminary examination, we deem it well, in view of the diversity and importance

to us as to the subsequent progress of the elaboration of matters mentioned. (Signed) Nicholas."

HAVE NOT SOLD STEAMERS. Reports Published in London Denied by Hamburg-American and North-German Lloyd Companies.

Berlin, Dec. 28. - The Associated Press called the attention of the Ham-burg-American and North-German Lloyd lines to the reports circulated in London of recent sales of their steamers and received assurances from both companies that no steamers had been sold. The Hamburg-American officials added the specific denial that the steamer Phoenias announced last night in a dispatch from Hamburg to a London news

agency. The reports may refer to the sale sevuninterrupted satisfaction of the daily needs of the people.

eral days ago of five old steamers to a ship-owners, Herr Diederichsen, of Kiel, by the Hansa line.

ARBITRATION TREATY.

tiate With the United States.

Tokio, Dec. 28.-The Japanese govern-This is the result of Minister Griscom's representations to Baron Kamura, minister of foreign affairs, who has noticials regarding the most important question of peasant life, assisted in their into accept America's invitation. Baron vestigation of the general needs of the Kamura further states that Japanese agricultural industry by the knowledge | Minister Takaharaki is fully empowered and experience of local committees. We to act with Secretary of State Hay to frame and sign a treaty of the kind at pected that this instrument will be worded on similar lines with a series of treaties recently signed by President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay.

OUTBREAK OF PLAGUE.

Nineteen Cossacks Have Died in the Ural Territory.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—It is officialy announced that a disease whose character is similar to bubonic plague, has appeared among the Kirghizoo Cossacks in two settlements of the Ural territory, month's stores.

The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting in mineteen deaths between The price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting the price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting the price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting the price of the price of food in the beleaguered water course beneath Payuisean resulting the price of th November 22nd and December 26th. The localities have been declared to be infected with the plague.

of THROUGH UNKNOWN COUNTRY. and that they should have conferred up- Mounted Police Patrol Starts For Fort Macpherson, on the Mackenzie

River. Ottawa, Dec. 28.-The Mounted Police department has received a stating that a police patrol left Dawson yesterday to open up a winter road so as to get connection with Fort Macpherson ions hitherto existing there should be on the Mackenzie river. Much of the country through which the patrol intends ublic institutions for the administration going is unknown, and it is very doubtful if they can get through.

SCHOONER DISABLED.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.-While entering the bay this morning after completcedure throughout the empire, and to as- ing a voyage from Grays harbor, the steam schooner Chehalis lost her pro peller. She had on board a cargo of umber for San Pedro, to which port she has proceeded in tow of the steam schooner Norwood.

SERGEANT SHOT.

Fatally Wounded by a Private Whom He Had Thrashed.

The men quarrelled and then fought for private persons involved in that application shall only be permitted in eases secreted himself in the hall of the dining

BESIEGED RUSSIANS ARE CONFIDENT AND CHEERFUL Port Arthur.

Another General Killed at Port Arthur -Seventy-Four Japs Perished While on Special Duty.

London, Dec. 27.-The Daily Mail's correspondent at Tokio cables as fol-

"December 19th the Japanese signalled the Russian hospital ships protecting the destroyers in the roadstead of Port Ar- CHINESE ARE WATCHING thur to change their positions, and the Russians requested a respite of six hours, which meant giving the destroyers the benefit of darkness. The sequel is not known.

"It is known that recently positions

"Foreign correspondents from Port Arthur declare that the fouriess is the strongest that was ever attacked, and compare it to Sebastopol, with his arranged in mutually supporting groups, ected by tramways and telephones and backed by walls masking the movement of the troops from one to another. They assert that no other army in the world could have done what the Japanese have accomplished, but deprecate as over sanguine the idea of its immediate capture.'

"Almost Superhuman Task," St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—In an outspoken article in reply to a recent ict-ter of Admiral Birileff, which appealed to the Russians not to openly criticise the conditions of the navy, the Russ today declares the time is passed for silence in view of the first that the 'oldsystem of concealing facts is responsible
for the loss of 150,000,000 roubles worth
of warships and has covered us with
shame and grief. It would be absurd
to hide defects that can still be repairto hide defects that can still be repaired in the shops which remain at Kron-stadt and Libau. We have already criminally wasted enough tilme.

The Russ enumerates the defects in

the ships still in Russian water, avercia had been sold to an unknown purrine that the peculiarities of structure
change, and that its was good to Library of several of the vessels destined for the Far East make the voyage dangerous; and the torpedo boats are in such shocking condition that it is a matter of surprise that the authorities accept their delivery. Torpedo boats intended to re-

In conclusion the Russ says: "Even if continuous popular ovation. and his 21,000 comrades are heroic sailors, everyone knows that we have imposed on them an almost superhuman nent has agreed to negotiate an arbitra- task as a consequence of our not being gravity of the events which have occurred since the fatal night of February 8th.

Tokio, Dec. 28, 10.30 a.m.—Trustworthe report that Gen. Kondrachenko has been injured by falling from his horse. Brita Gen. Smilnoff is also reported wounded. war. The advices further say that the stern of the battleship Sevastopol has sunk in JAPS REPORTED TO shallow water Her how is damaged in two places and the steering gear is also

damaged. The garrison is reported to be confident that relief will arrive before March 1st. graph's correspondent at Chefoo in a afternoon, the result of an explosion of Despite its heavy losses on November 26th and subsequently, the garrison is said to be cheerful and resolved to continue the struggle as long as a single soling of December 22nd, with a light coldier remains. The army claims to have unto 1,000 men and machine gurs on sufficient provisions to last until Febru-

fortress is high. Beef is a rouble and tain, whence the Russian artillery workone-half per pound, horse meat 6 copecks ed terrible execution. A fierce bayonet per pound, dog meat 25 copecks per fight occurred at midnight. A strong bearing supplies reached the garrison of the Japanese, who, after a desperate the past month. It is expected that the struggle, retired to the north, leaving capture of the heights of Pigeon bay several machine guns, 300 rifles and 80 will further curtail the landing of sup- prisoners. It is estimated that they lost

SEVENTY-FOUR OFFICERS AND MEN KILLED.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—The navy department publishes a list of nine officers and sixtyive men who were killed while on special

The time, place and circumstances are not explained, and it is presumed that another cruiser has been mined and sunk or damaged. An explanation is expected

JAPS PREPARING FOR

against the eastern section of the main JAPANESE WAR BUDGET rcle of forts around Port Arthur is progressing favorably. The right wing of the besiegers continue a heavy effective shelling of the to-day unanimously passed the war butnew town preparatory to operations get as originally proposed and the or which are nearing completion.

the Japanese dynamiting and paralleling

---DESTROYERS DENIED.

Chefoo, Dec. 28, 11 p.m.—The persistent rumor which has been in circula-

sistance of the defenders.

officers of the British steamer Allamy, which arrived here from Vladivostock today. These officers say that the cruisers of the Vladivostock squadron, Rossia and Gromoboi, are in good shape. JAPANESE LOSSES

Tokio, Dec. 28, 9 a.m.—The army department publishes a list of 23 officers killed and 56 wounded, presumably at

JAPANESE MOUNT BIG GUNS ON 203-METRE HILL.

ported here that the Japanese in front of Port Arthur have mounted two 28-

entimetre guns on 203-Metre Hill. JAPANESE ORUISERS SIGHTED OFF HONGKONG. Hongkong, Dec. 28.-A large Japanese

cruiser arrived at Amoy yesterday. Two Japanese cruisers were sighted off Hongkong to-day.

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS. Shanghai, Dec. 28.—The Tao Tai has issued strict orders to the commanders of the Chinese warships in the harbors of Woosung and Shanghai, and to the be in time to rescue the children; but have been captured behind Liaoti which have cut off the Russian supply bases from the main force.

"Foreign correspondents from Port that the first statement are standard and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi. More that the to rescue the children, but when she arrived the flames had already enveloped the house and the lives of the children were past saying. The torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi. More

Shanghai. The Askold and the Grozovoi succeed-ed in reaching Shanghai after the battle between the Bussian and Lampage Rects. e ed in reaching Shanghai after the battle between the Russian and Japanese fleets off Port Arthur on August 10th, and since that time their officers and crew have been interned at Shanghai. A rumor from Shanghai reached London on December 9th that the Askold was coaling and replacing her machinery preparatory to an effort to escape and join the Russian second Pacific squadron.

A Tie.

probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important station of the Japanese nave to twenty miles around. Fortimately miles from Horoschima. Accompanied the probably arrive to day to the probably arrive to day at Kure, an important station of the Japanese nave to the probably arrive to day at Kure, an important probably arrive to day at Kure, an important probably arrive to day at Kure, an important probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important station of the Japanese nave to the probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important station of the Japanese nave to the probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important station of the Japanese nave to the probably arrive to-day at Kure, an important probably arrive to the probab Vice-Admiral Kamimura and other officials Togo is expected to come to Tokio on Friday morning, when the Em-

peror will receive him personally and congratulate and thank him for his services during the war. The New Year delivery. Torpedo totals intended to the inforce Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's season has begun, and all Japan is enjoy must clearly not be dispatched with the numerous defects which have been proviourney from Kure to Tokio will be a journey from Kure to Tokio will be a 1000.

RENEWED RUMORS OF

furnished with a true account of the that the latest rumor regarding the wil- when they went to arrest him and openof mediation. Official circles in Berlin Regina jail. thy advices from Port Arthur confirm entertain the possibility that something n this direction has been going on since been killed, and that Geni Stoessel has it has been known that France and Great Britain were anxious to terminate the

HAVE LOST SIX HUNDRED.

London, Dec. 27.—The Daily Tele dispatch dated December 26th, says:
"A messenger from Port Arthur de-The navy possesses about one along the railway, carried trench after trench, and succeeded in reaching the ound, turkeys 150 roubles apiece, eggs Russian force, advancing eastward of 150 roubles per 100. But a few junks Payusean mountain, threatened the rear 600 killed. The Japanese halted mean the cemetery, and finding that both flanks entrenched on small hills near Etz mountain under a severe enfilading fire which Mr. caused them further heavy losses."

GENERAL NOGI IS

REPORTED WOUNDED. London, Dec. 27.—The Chefoo corres pondent of the Telegraph says it is reported that General Nogi, the comma of the Japanese forces besieging Port Arthur, has been taken to the hospital ANOTHER ATTACK. at Dalny. He was wounded severely Tokio, Dec. 28.—It is understood that according to the correspondent.

-0-HAS BEEN PASSED.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—The House of Peers dinary budget for 1905 as amended at the time of an unparalleled outbreak of criminal activity on the part of the enemies of public order, and the application of which was attended with a grave extension of the discretionary power of the defendors.

Had Thrashed.

It is probable that the next attack will be simultaneously directed against the east and west faces of the fortress in an endeavor to divide and weaken the resistance of the defendors.

> MINES PLACED IN KELUNG HARBOR.

Russians, and hope and believe also that the third rank. He was also promoted it will be the means of the dawning of a the military rank of lieutenant-general deviating heart's desire, as expressed in guard house.

Where the actual safety of the military rank of lieutenant-general deviating heart's desire, as expressed in guard house.

BURNED TO DEATH BEFORE PORT ARTHUR.

NO. 75.

WHICH DESTROYED HOME

Chefoo, Dec. 28.-11 p. m.-It is re- Fight With Desperado at Moose Jaw-Wagen Went Through Ice, Two Lives Lost.

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 27.-The farm house of La Freniere, situated a short distance from Callendar, was totally destroyed by fire with all contents and four children of the family, the eldest being about six years of age, perished in the flames. The mother of the children had temporarily left the little ones alone while she went to deliver some Chinese cruisers are on their way to terrible calamity to her home and family, was prevented from rushing into the

Tokio, Dec. 28, 10.30 a.m.—The Emperor to-day received in audience and decorated Captain Zurbonson, of the steamer Willehad. She had brought home the Japanese refugees from Rus-

A VISIT TO TOKIO.

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Tokio. Dec. 28.—Admiral Togo will shook the country and broke windows for

though ten of the employees, who had just left the powder works when the explosion took place, were thrown violently to the ground and stunned. The plant is situated a mile outside of Waverly, yet every window in the town was broken, and many people on the streets

Captured by Police. Moose Jaw, N. W. T., Dec. 27 .-MEDIATION PROPOSALS. Twelve shots were exchanged on the station platform here to-night between Mounted Police and an American des-Berlin, Dec. 28.—It is believed here perado named McLean. He defied them linguess of Emperor Nicholas to listen ed fire. The officers returned it, one bulo mediation proposals rests upon a fresh let smashing McLean's kneecap, after aquiry of France as to what terms His | which he surrendered, but not before he Majesty is willing to accept in the case emptied his revolver. He was taken to

> Medicine Hat, Dec. 27.-A rancher named McTaggart committed suicide here this afternoon by shooting himself while suffering from melancholy, the re-

Shot Himself.

sult of a lonely life. Fire Followed Explosion. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 27.-Drinkwater's tailor shop was burned here this gasoline. A serious conflagration was averted only by the excellent work of the brigade, as it is right in the heart of the city. The loss is about \$7,000.

Winnipeg, Dec. 27.-F. W. Blanche, alias A. Brown, arrested here to-day charged with embezzling \$22,000 from the Sargent bank in Minneapolis, waived extradition proceedings. Burned to Death Fort Francis, Dec. 27.—This morning house of ill-fame at Koochichigan was

burned and one of the inmates, Octavia Lydick by name, was cremated. The other inmates all escaped. Two Drowned.

Will Return.

Dunnville, Ont., Dec. 27.-Last evenhad carried all the works forming the outlying range of the main forts, they driving down the Welland canal to his home with his wife, two children and and Mrs. Charles Anger. When about a mile from Dunnville, the wagon broke, throwing the occupants int canal. Charles Anger and Dunham's three-year-old boy were drowned.

> Were Rescued. Shuit Ste, Marie, Ont., Dec. 27 .- W.

O. Demers and Fred. Pelletier, the Cariooo Island lightkeepers, for whom tugs have been searching for ten days, were brought into port yesterday after being in the arm and leg by three rifle bullets, At the time of their rescue both men had given up hope of being taken off this season and had made the best preparations possible under the circumstances to spend the winter on the lonely island. They had half a barrel of flour and a large quantity of fish.

EMULATING WILLIAM TELL.

Young Man. Who Held a Bottle on His Head, Instantly Killed.

Chicago, Dec. 27.-While Elmer Hunt. 19 years old, balanced a bottle on his head William Dougherty, who had been boasting of his prowess as a marksman, Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.-The it is alleged, attempted to emulate Wil-United States state department has been liam Tell by shooting the bottle. At the

Months of Hard Work Rewarded by Success - Troops Charged Under Heavy Bombardment.

Tokio, Dec. 29.-Noon-After months of fighting, sapping and mining, Japanese forces finally occupied Rihlung mou tain last night, December 28th.

A report received from headquarters of the third Japanese army before Port Arthur, received here on Wednesday, December 28th, at midnight, says:

"On Wednesday, December 28th, 10 o'clock in the morning, the left centre column of our army, following some heavy explosion on the frontal parapet of Rihlung mountain, charged and occupied the parapet under cover of fire from heavy guns and constructed defence works, despite the enemy's fierce

"At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when our occupation was practically assured, we charged and occupied the inner lines of heavy gun positons, subsequently dislodging a remnant of the enemy's force, stubbornly holding the gorge fort, which we reoccupied, and captured the entire works."

Riblung fort, situated on Riblung mountain, formed part of the inner circle of the chain of forts defending Port Arthur, from which it bears due northeast. The fort just captured is a mile and a half southeast of Keekwan fort, recently captured by the Japanese. The possession of these two forts should make a most important breach in the ions outside of the capture of 203-Metre Hill of the western section of forts. Little is known of the exact position occupied by the Japanese, but it would seem from the material available that the inner circle of forts is now cut in three places, and that 203-Metre Hill prohibits communication with Liaotio section forts, just as the possession of Rihlung and Keekwan forts cuts off communication with the Golden Hill forts, except by the many underground ways which are said to exist in various parts of the fortress. From Rihlung mountain, which is nearly opposite 203-Metre Hill, it would appear that the Japanese will be able to reach anything in the harbor and town, which the Japanese peavy guns on 203-Metre Hill are unable to hit, making it impossible for the Russian second Pacific squadron to make use of Port Arthur even should the Japese content themselves with holding the strong positions they now occupy.

JAPANESE CASUALTIES NUMBERED ONE THOUSAND.

Headquarters or the Japanese Port Arthur, via Fusan, Dec. before Port Arthur, via a said. 29.—Rihlung fort was captured at 3 'clock this morning with a thousand

Japanese casualties. Seven dynamite mines, exploded at 10 body of Japanese troops charged under cover of a tremendous bombardment, and bitter fight resulted in the capture of the

RUSSIANS SHELLED JAPANESE POSITIONS.

Tokio, Dec. 29.-Noon.-Manchurian army headquarters, reporting to-day,

On December 27th at 3 e'clock in the afternoon the Russians with field guns bombarded the Shakhe river railroad bridge in the neighborhood of the station, and the Russian guns at Taliantun shelled Chihsiangtun and Shulentzu. "Russian cavalry enveloped the Japanese pickets, who were reinforced and

ese casualties were three men killed. ATTEMPTS TO RAISE

THE VARIAG DISCONTINUED. New York, Dec. 29.-A Seoul, Korea,

finally repulsed the enemy. The Japan-

dispatch to the Herald, dated December 24th, says: "The Japanese attempts to raise the possible to recommence the work before spring, by which time the three-quarter inch steel plates forming the hull will be so badly pitted by the action of the

air and water that the damage will be irreparable, except at prohibitive expense. It is probable that further salvage operations will be abandoned.
"The Japanese troops remaining "The Japanese troops remaining here are less than 500, although the reported reinforcements will shortly arrive. Gen. Hasegawa is expected to leave for the north next month. This probably indicates some forward movement to counteract the Russian sorties reported from various places along the upper Yalu, op-

erating from headquarters at Yungling, under General Madrigoff, who also controls the recently increased garrison at Samsu and Kapsa. A small engagement occurred December 20th on the northeast coast at Kongwon, resulting in the capture of ammunition."

DEMAND RESTITUTION OF AMMUNITION.

Pekin, Dec. 28.-The Russian officials here have demanded of the Chinese for-eign office the restitution of the 3,000,-000 rounds of ammunition apparently destined for Port Arthur, seized by the in the lacrosse squabble, a settlement of Chinese authorities at Fengtai, near here, four days ago. The Russians as-sert that the ammunition was intended only for the legation guard. It is learned at the foreign office that the Chinese intend taking a strong stand, in view of the frequent attempts to smuggle arms and ammunition. The bales of wool containing the cartridges, seized at join the league. Fengtai, were consigned to an European resident of Pekin, who is now at Tientsin taking part in the investigation into

PARLIAMENT EXTENDS

WEAVER'S SYRUP

It purifies the Blood and cures Boils, Humors.

Salt Rheum

"The House of Representatives, amid loud acclamation, to-day (Wednesday) voted the following address: "'The enemy's fleet at Port Arthur eing destroyed, a portion of the empire's united squadrons have been re-lieved of blockading duty. This great esult is recorded as being due to the uniling competent discharge of their duty y the officers, sub-officers and men, but at could not possibly have been achieved unless the commander's strategy had been well adapted to the occasion and

Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., Montreal.

a hearty welcome.' CHIEF OF POLICE SHOT. Was Killed in the Street-The Murderer

is leadership had been able. Therefore

rious return the House extends to him

on the occasion of Admiral Togo's vic

Is Not Known. (Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 29.—According to a St. Petersburg dispatch to the Sun dated Wednesday, the chief of police at Schuscha, Caucaus, has been shot with

a revolver and killed in the street in that town. The assassin is unknown. ACCUSED OF MURDER.

New York Patrolman Has Been Committed to Prison Without Bail.

New York, Dec. 29.-When Frank McLaughlin, a patrolman, appeared in the criminal court yesterday to plead to an indictment charging assault upon Jas. P. Robbins, a newspaper reporter, he was ordered committed to the Tombs without bail on the charge of murder in

the first degree. the killing of John Pattterson, a watch-man. At that time the coroner's jury found that he shot Patterson in selfdefence and he was discharged. The district authorney was not satisfied with that disposition of the case, however, and began an investigation, which he

murder in the first degree.

When McLaughlin's counsel asked for a postponement yesterday, District Attorney Jerome arose and said: "Your ago upon a minor charge. Honor, I have absolutely no objection to a postponement of the assault case, but that is not the charge now before the court. This man has been arrested on a court. warrant charging him with murder in the first degree—the brutal and unwarranted killing of a negro last May. The grand jury has been examining witnesses in the matter for several days, and I was informed by the foreman to-day that an indictment for murder in the first degree will be returned against the ADMIRALTY HAS NOT

risoner to-morrow."

The prisoner turned pale, shook from head to foot and grasped the railing for support. His lawyer looked in amazeo'clock yesterday, made breaches in the front wall through which a large the night of May 27th this prisoner, without the slightest provocation, stepped up behind a respectable colored man, J. A. captured the first line of light guns. A Patterson, who was employed as a watchman, and struck him over the head with his club. In failing, the negro The garrison, numbering 500 men, es- grappled with his assailant, and during a struggle, this man drew his revolver

Vancouver. Dec. 29.-Football dele ates to-day formed a British Columbia Provincial Association Football League. and the following officers were elected: president, R. Adams, Nanaimo; secretary-treasurer, R. W. Timms, Van-

Wm. Peden, secretary for the intermediates, wrote asking the league to years take over the control of the intermediate At latest advices President Sam was and junior football affairs and to grade them according to ages, which will be done. Possession was also given the new league of the intermediate challenge cup,

now held by Cumberland, A constitution and by-laws were adopted, and it was decided in the event of the Corinthians coming from England, the league would assume full control draft schedule was made, and the finals between the Island and Mainland will be played on three dates as follows: April on the Mainland; April 22nd, on the Island; the third to be fixed.

LACROSSE AFFAIRS

Vancouver, Dec. 29.-Rev. W. Bolton, vice-president of the Victoria Lacrosse Club, who is here attending the football meeting, has taken an interest which is now in sight. Mr. Bolton last night interviewed Howard Welch, president of the Westminster club, who said Westminster was willing and anxious to make a dignified settlement. Mr. Bolton

KILLED IN MINE SHAFT.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 27 .- Dewey Squires, who came here from Minneapolis two months ago, met death in the Bell mine

GOVERNMENT AND DEFENCE OF CANADA

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF MILITIA

Ready to Relieve British Taxpayers of Burden During Times of Peace.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.-Sir Frederick Borden, speaking at a panquet given to him last night in Toronto, said that the government had received no information as to the intentions of the British governent respecting Esquimalt and Halifax. "The Canadian government and the Canadian people," he said, "are prepared to relieve the British taxpayers of every dollar of taxation with reference to Canadian territory in time of peace."

ARRESTED IN CHICAGO.

Mason, Who Claims He Is Connected With Foreign Office, Taken Into Custody.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Dec. 28 .- Percy Mason, who leclares that he is connected with the foreign office in London, England, was arrested here to-day charged with atempting to steal a typewriter. Mason, who the police officials say also known as Rudolph Greer, is well educated and of good address. Mason vigprously protests his innocence, and de lares that a grave mistake has been made. "I am in the United States to secure

conditions in the United States," said Mason to-night, "and when the government officials at London hear of this outrage those who were responsible for my arrest will be made to smart for it.' The new charge was based on an indictment which District Alttorney Jerome said would be returned by the grand jury when lit made its report to-day. McLaughlin was once arrested before in connection with this case, which charges the killing of Jichn Patterson, a watchshe accompany him to his office, taking her typewriter with her. His actions were suspicious, and believing was Mason's intention to steal the ma-

data for a series of articles of the labor

chine, he was arrested.

Mason says that as soon as he can cable to London the British government says resulted in the indictment, charging will secure his release. When question ed to-night, it is said by the po cials that Mason admitted that he had been arrested in New Jersey some years

GIVEN FINAL DECISION

Question is One of Expense, But Importance of Esquimalt Yard Cannot Be Overlooked.

of Issuance of Fraudulent Bonds.

Port au Prince, Havti, Dec. 28.-The court has rendered a judgment in default, condemning former President Sam Hon. president, Major Bland, Vic- to imprisonment for life at hard labor for toria; president, Prof. Davidson, Colum- the alleged issuance of fraudulent bonds. bian College, New Westminster; vice | Madame Sam is sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment and several members of Sam's ministry and other high functionaries have been condemned to terms of

living in the island of St. Thomas.

MURDER BY MOORS Shot Spannard in Garden of a British Resident Near Tangier.

New York, Dec. 29.-A Tangier, Mor occo, dispatch to the Herald dated December 28th, says:
"In the garden of a British subject, only one mile from Tangier, a bold mur-der was committed by robbers last night Moors who entered the garden shot dead Spaniard employed on the place and carried away four cows belonging to the British owners. In the affray one of the obbers was severely wounded by the

wife of the Spaniard. "It is reported from Tetuan that the garrison there, which had received no pay for two months, deserted yesterday and fled from the town."

POSITION UNCHANGED.

-Tug Remains Near Vessel. New York, Dec. 29.-The British freight steamer Drumelzier is still ashore can be seen standing under the steamer's bridge. The steamer is in practically the same position as last night. The sea is breaking against her, but not so heavily WELCOME TO TOGO.

New York, Dec. 29.—A Tokio dispatch to the Times says:

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Allen's Lung Balsam

ABSOLUTE SAFETY should be rigorously insisted upon when buying medicine upon that depends one's ALLEN'S LUNG BAL-M contains NO OPIUM in any form and is safe, sure and prompt in cases of CROUP COLDS, deep-seated COUGHS fry it now, and be convinced

WHAT PROTEST

Pransportation Men Complain of Actio of United States Immigration Inspections.

New York, Dec. 29.-At a special eeting of the trans-Atlantic passenge on and the trunk line associa tion held yesterday, says the Tribune, i was decided to send to Washington proest against the action of certain Unit ed States immigration inspectors along the Canadian border. These ins the transportation men think, make the examination of aliens seeking to trave through the United States so rigorous that traffic of this sort is diverted to Canadian roads that might travel on the roads in the States, and on ships coming into this port.

A NEW CAVALRY

FOR MANITOBA AND THE TERRITORIES

It Will Include Strathcona's Horse-Contract Signed for the Royal Victoria Museum.

Ottawa, Dec. 29-A new cavalry volu eer regiment is to be established in Man-toba and the Northwest. The new esent now being provided for b na's Horse for the Northwest. Geo. W. Cameron, of Montreal, who was ment yesterday and major in Strathcona's Horse and also in leg below the ankle. inted infantry, will likely com mand the new squadron.

Contract Signed. Mr. Goodwin signed the contract yes

Knighthoods. served in Great Britain. The Address,

Mr. Macdonald, Pictou, will probably move the address in reply to the speech from the throne, and Mr. Parent, Montorency, will second it.

Will Be Decorated. Capt. Thacker is to get the order of the Rising Sun from the Japanese govrnment.

STEAMER ASHORE.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 28.—Battered by Northern railway interests,

Hole" in the graveyard of shipping. High seas careefied the vessel on her beam ends and at 3 p.m. she was lying or her part side with seas washing all over

reported that the life-saving crews of tached. The above plan of reorganizaseveral stations along the Carolina coast tion was submitted to the shareholders in the vicinity of Hatterns were on the and unanimously adopted, thus placing beach ready to launch their surf bon's the Great Northern railway of Canada the minute the wind and tide had abated on a sound financial footing, and making sufficiently to allow them to do so. At its future assured. Z. A. Lash, general that time the wind had dropped from 40 aries have been condemned to terms of imprisonment ranging from five to 15 also was falling steadily and the approach of freezing weather bodes ill for have all their lines between the east and the crew imprisoned on the steamer. west connected, thus completing their The report states that at sunset the vestrans-continental railway. It is said the sel had apparently righted herself some- details of reorganization will be comwhat and that if the wind and sea did pleted in the course of two months, when not increase there was a good chance of her remaining intact until morning. If money and the road pass altogether into this is the case the prospects are bright | the hands of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mant for the life-savers being able to reach and their Toronto associates, who will

thought the carried a consignment of 25 Quebec in the direction of the new men. Word from the scene expresses bridge, The old board of directors, little hopes that loss of life can be composed of the following gentlemen, averted. art

The Stranded Downelzier. New York, Dec. 28,-Still pounding on the bar at Oak island, where she struck on Christmas morning, there is practi cally no change to-night in the condition of the British steamer Drumelzier. night word was sent to the Sandy Hook life-saving station to get ready to start for the wreck at daylight. Throughout the day the crews of the two life-saving stations were unable to render assist ance. Should the vessel go to piece during the night, as appeared pos from the terrific manner in which she was seen to be pounding when darkness British Steamer Drumelzier Still Ashore set in, the only possible salvation for Captain Nicholson and his crew lies in rescue by the boats of the wrecking steamer Monarch, which is anchored

FATAL FIRES IN EASTERN CANADA

HITT STATE OF THE STATE OF

INFIRM WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH WHILE ALONE

Stonecutters Employed on C.P.R. Hotel at Winnipeg Have Gone on Strike-Notes.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 28.-Sarah Walker. 86 years old, was burned to death at Desert Lake, Frontenac county. in the absence of her family. Her cloth ing is supposed to have caught fire, and, being too infirm to extinguish them, she perished before relief came.

Another Death. Montreal. Dec. 28.-Another victim has been added to the list of dead as result of a fire at Perralt lane on Christmas morning by the death of Ida St. George, 9 years of age, who was taken from the burning building so badly burned that there was no hope for her recovery. This is the fifth victim of Fatal Fall.

Barrie, Ont., Dec. 28.-Fred Partridge, an Englishman, a laborer ed on the Grand Trunk railway, fel into an oil tank at Alland !! and frac-tured his skull and died an hour later. He leaves a widow and two small chil-

A Toronto Blaze. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.-Fire to-night damaged the stock and premises of the Cosgrove Brewing Company to the extent of \$50,000.

Was Not a Success. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—The People's Cafe, Limited, with a capital of \$100,-000, has gone into voluntary liquidation It was organized some months ago for the benefit of people of modest means.
Chancellor Boyd is president, Chief
Justice Moss vice-president, and a number of prominent elergymen and busien are on the directorate.

Mrs. Rutherford Injured. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.-Mrs. Annie O. Rutherford, president of the Dominion W. C. T. U., fell on the icy pavement yesterday and fractured her left

Winnipeg Strike.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.-The anticipated strike of stonecutters on the new C. P. R. hotel materialized yesterday. At 3 o'clock 19 men on the job walked terday for building the Royal Victoria
Museum in Ontawa. The price is about
\$990,000. The time for construction is
work till terms have been agreed to. The to whether stone planers may be used in the city. To finish the depot and hotel "Special the city." The report that certain Canadians are be knighted on New Year's Day is Sons, contractors, have found it necesnot very likely to be correct. Two years sary to install machinery to help the cutdolonial office, stated that honors would the planer would take work from them, only be bestowed by the Sovereign in November, on the King's birthday, or on the day on which it was officially observed in Great Britain. teed all the work they could do for a

With the G. T. R. Montreal, Que., Dec. 28.-F. W Morse, second vice-president of the Grand Trunk railway, has resigned to ecome vice-president and general man ager of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. He will be succeeded by E. H. Fitzhugh, at present general manager of the Central Vermont railway.

Reorganization.

Quebec, Dec. 28.—The Canadian London, Dec. 29.—It is understood that injuries. The victim managed to get to his feet and run. As he ran, this man fired again and shot him down, the bullet the proposed dockyard changes in a favorable light.

The admiralty is influenced mainly by the afferwards a coroner's jury exonerated the prisoner. I was not satisfied, and began a rigid investigation. That investigation convinced me that deliberate murder had been committed, and the grand jury reached the same conclusion."

PROVINCIAL LEAGUE

Formed by Association Football Delegates at Vancouver—Dates of Final Matches.

London, Dec. 29.—It is understood that the heavy seqs...an unknown steamer lies the appeared of the appeared of the proposed dockyard changes in a favorable light.

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From the size of the steamer it is branch line from Garneau Junction to dent; Jas. McNaught, first vice-presi-dent; H. H. Melville, second vice-presi-dent; E. E. Ling, V. Chateauvert, Hon. Jules Tessier, W. H. Moore, J. A. Nash, F. C. Annesley, Thos. McDougall, John Joyce, Hon. S. N. Parent, ex-officio. This board is, however, only temporarily to assist until the old bonds are in, when the Quebec directors and Col. Mc-Naught and H. H. Melville, first and second vice-presidents under the old management, will disappear and an en-tirely new board will be elected, with Toronto gentlemen associated with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann in full con-

> BOILERS EXPLODE. Three Men Killed and Two Injured at Melville, Wash.

Chehellis, Wn., Dec. 28.—Three me were killed instantly and two injured one so badly that he died soon after wards, by the explosion of four boilers at the sawmill plant of Walworth & Neville, at Neville, Washington, to-day. Almost immediately after the mill started in the forenoon there was a terrific explosion, with the results stated. Those killed were R. C. Hicks, Frank Dowella and Pres Eoling. Roy lokles, who was injured, died soon afterwards. The cause of the explosion is unknown. HEINZE EXAMINED

In Connection With Action Brought By Butte & Boston Mining Co.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 28.- F. Augustus Heinze, in a disposition before George F. Dougall, a notary, in a suit brought by the Butte & Boston Mining Company, of the Amalgamated Copper group, recover \$1,500,000 for ore alleged have been illegally mired by the Heinze interests from the Michael Davitt mine, acknowledged under oath that regotia-tions were on between him and the Amalgamated Copper Company for the sale of his property in Butte to

Amalgamated. To many of the questions asked by counsel for the Amalgamated, Mr. Heinze pleaded a lack of memory. Mr. Heinze pieaded a lack of memory. Mr. Heinze claims he is not now the president of the United Coppe Company or the Montana Ore Purchasing Company, although he admitted that he had formerly held both these positions. He laimed he did not know who is the resident or general manager or any of the board of directors of the Montana Ore Purchasing Company. The wit-ness, however, stated that he was still

shareholder of that company and the united Company.

Mr. Heinze admitted that he was the first president of the Montana Ore Purchasing Company, and that he was connected with that corporation officially up o a period in the present year, the exac eriod of his retirement having escaped his memory. The witness could not remember the time when he had ceased to be the executive of the United Copper Company.

PRESENT CASE AGAINST PENNSYLVANIA BISHOP

Petitioners Ask That the Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot Be Tried Before Court of His Peers.

New York, Dec. 27.-Following is the resentment in the case against Bishop Talbot, of the Protestant Episcopal dioese of Central Pennsylvania, in connection with the deposition of Dr. Ingraham N. Irvine, of Philadelphia, from the Protective Association, Vancouver: Mr. criesthood:

"The undersigned, in virtue of the from the Mainland Wednesday evening. anonical authority reposed in them. present Rt. Rev. Dr. Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of the Protestant Episcopai church in the diocese of Central Pennsylvania, as being guilty of conduct unecoming a bishop of the Pretestant Repiscopal church in the United States of America in the several special arious hereinafter more particularly set forth in order that he may be tried on said in order that he may be tried on said in order that he may be tried on said to the mother and child crossing. n order that he may be tried on said count for the mother and child crossing tharge, which is laid within five years to the American side, for annually there whole trouble arises over a discussion as of the said church in such case made and from Portland to Fort Rupert, and it

"Specification 1 .- The said presenters hereby present and allege that Bishop is being sought by the authorities, have Talbot is guilty of immorality in having sent her inland to some friendly tribe's written a false, libelous and untruthful reservation. At any rate the officers of letter regarding Rev. I. N. Irvine, or the provincial police force and missionto Rev. Dr. Upjohr, president of the Philadelphia Catholic Club. (A copy of hunt until he has found the girl and he letter follows.)

"Specification 2.—That Bishop Talbot her in a safe position.

with women.' For reference see the session of the Indians in the north. That proceedings of the ecclesiastical court be- the little ones were not receiving proper fore which Rev. Dr. Irvine was tried, care was strenuously denied, but they

bishops, as well as letters and other

ocuments, are given as reference.) "Specification 4.—That Bishop Talbot is guilty of lying in having written that the (Irvine) has been suspended once, admonished once in your diocese and inhibited and made to leave repeatedly."

it had been given. Fair hair grew out and the blue-eyed one soon became a favorite. Last winter site was adopted to be a way of the leave the leave to be a way of the leave to be a The charge of lying is set forth in by a wealthy lady; and is now in a comecifications covering all but two of the emaining paragraphs of the letter.

Following the paragraph reading "That all his (Irvine's) talk about a divorced woman being excommunicated and then restored by me is baseless," the resentment in support of the charge of Diocese of Central Pennsylvania Bishopric, South Bethiehem, Penn.,

Feb. 5th. 1899. My Dear Irvine:-The woman to whom you refer is by canon excommunicated. I cannot believe she will have the presumplon to present herself at the holy communion. If you think there is any danger of her doing so, it would be better for you in some kind and gentle way to intimate to her her true condition. Of course, you On Monday, January 2nd, the first a have no discretion in the matter. If she nual rally of the Victoria Methodist Su should present herself before you can greak to her, you can speak to her, you can speak to her Methodist church. Children from the afterward. There is no reason in this case following schools will participate in the to make any row if the thing is managed gathering: Metropolitan, superintendent, quietly and firmly, with a little common H. L. Knott; Centennial, superintendent,

Affectionately yours, ETHELBERT TALBOT.

harges against him (Irvine); that the representation of Quincy wrete to me attractive pamphlet form, consists of attractive pamphlet form, consists of attractive pamphlet form, consists of the constant of t pon his death-bed that Irvine had out- number of appropriate musical raged two girls in his city, and Bishops
Whitaker, Whitehead, Seymour, Scarborough, Potter, Doane, Adams, Taylor

deliver speeches. Those who attend and Rev. Dr. Leffingwell, and a host are promised a pleasant and profitable of others, will bear out all I have said as | time.

"Therefore, the presenters, in view of the reasons as set forth in the above associated with specifications, do ask that Bishop Talbo be presented for trial before a court of his peers."

> PICKED UP AT SEA. British Ship Lonsdate Rescued Twenty-Six Sailors Whose Vessel Had

Been Burned.

(Associated Press.) Los Angeles, Dec. 28.—Capt. K. E. Newcastle-on-Tyne, just arrived at Los Angeles, reports picking up twenty-six castaways at sea, who had been drifting about near Cape Horn for over a week. about near Cape Horn for over a week.
They had abandoned the British collier Elivion, which had been burned at sea.
All but three of the men were left at Val-

IMPRISONMENT AND FINE.

ntence Passed on Senor Avellaneda, Whose Automobile Ran Over Woman in Paris

(Associated Press) New York, Dec. 29.—A Paris dispatch

o the Herald says: "Senor Avellaneda, son of a former resident of the Argentine repu esides in Paris, and who is an officer n the Argentine army, was sentenced to-day (Thursday) by a Paris tribunal to one month's imprisonment, a fine of 500 francs (\$100) and 1,000 francs (\$200) damages for an automobile accident

Paris last June.
"Senor Avellaneda in the Rue Morgue, company with a machinist, ran over Mile. Froger, who died on the following day from her injuries. The police made inquiries and prosecuted the machinist, but when the case came up several wit lesses declared it was Ser nimself who was driving at the time of the accidnet and not the machinist. Fur ther information corroborated the state ment of the witnesses. The machinist who did not appear in court, was acquitted."

MISSING UP NORTH

HAS NOT BEEN SEEN FOR TWELVE MONTHS

Another Child Rescued From Natives Has Been Adopted by a Wealthy Lady.

A little girl eleven years old, of German origin on her father's side, deserted by her father and mother and last seen among the Indians at Fort Rupert, has been receiving the attention of C. J. South, superintendent of the Children's South is in the city, having arrived and in speaking of the work of the asso ciation mentioned the above case to a

Times representative this morning. The little girl is in the possession of the Indians, where, he was unable to state. Her father for a time worked in last past, which trial is had by demand is a general exodus of British Columburder the provisions of canon 9, title 2, bia Indians to the lop fields in Washingof the canons of the general convention | ton and Oregon. The girl was traced sibly the Indians, knowing that the child

sguilty of lying in having written such.

Linder his sure region the Children's tay to you that this man was deposed.

And Society and done a great deal of good. A year ago the Times called attack and for lewel and lascivious conduct, tention to two small children in the poswhich no record will be found of such have since been taken from the natives and placed in the Children's Home.

Specification 3.—That Bishop Talbot is guilty of lying in having written; That Irvine for thirty years has been in the ministry, and for twenty of these years he has been under ecclesiastical discipline.' (Here papers from observation. The discoloration had be effected by means of herbs. The child was brought to Vancouver, and in course of time her skin lost the peculiar color it had been given. Fair hair grew out

> fortable home.
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> Mr. South tells of still another case where a girl of fifteen had been rescued by the society and who has now no hesi-tation in stating that if the assistance had not come to her relief her life would

have been ruined In the home at Vancouver there are 63 children being cared for and seven more are expected to enter the instiltution Mr. South tells of some very pitiable cases where children of tender me have been exposed to influences worse their moral welfare than the Indian nvironment. The natives procure these girls, he says, for no good purposes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY

On Monday, January 2nd, the first ansense. I thank you for what you say on N. Shakespeare; Spring Ridge, superinthis matter of missions. intendent, T. W. Martindale; Victoria West, superintendent, Chas. Gladding. The further specification to the harge of lying is as follows:
"Specification.—That Bishop Talbot"
The initial session will convene at 10.30 o'clock, H. J. Knott taking the chair.
Mrs. W. Reynolds has been appointed "Specification.—That Bishop Talbet chairman, N. Shakespeare, treasurer, and Miss Hicks, organist.

of breach of his ordination and consecra-tion vows against involving other bishops held in Victoria. It has been the custom controversy by writing untruthfully in Eastern cities to hold such gatherings follows:
"That eight bishops have made cials have decided to introduce it here

GAZETTE NOTICES.

This week's Gazette contains notice that Daniel Donaldson, of Vanceurer, has been appointed superintendent of the reformatory at that place. The appoint-ment dates from February Ist, 1905. Dr. G. Milne, of this city, Dominion migration inspector, has been appoint

The Kootenay-Cariboo & Pacific Railway Company gives notice that at the next session of the legislature application will be made for an extension of time Fall of the British ship Lonsdale, from for the commencement of work on the proposed line. There will also be application made to the legislature for the incorporation of the Fording Valley Railway Company,

line to commence at a point on th

B. C. Southern railway near the con-fluence of the Elk river and extending

THE WIND ST

OUEEN CITY B

BROUGHT A MINER TERRIB

Mechanics Are Employe sota - Oscar and Hat for Home

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SEEK NEW QUAR On and after January future notice the steame the Alaska Steamship land at and depart from Beeton & Company's whar the company's steamers l the old Hudson's Bay wha of Fort street, which has headquarters of the Sound the last 14 years. The new being put in good shape if cem. An office is being being erected, and other are being carried out to accommodation as possib cumstances. There is a and approach to the who than to the one at the fo The change is the second the beginning of the year namely, the berthing of Beatrice and Princ

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the Santa Rosa and Topek in Seattle. Specifications for the steamship Topeka, sunk boat's houses are to be machinery will be gone or plates are to be put or bringing her iron hull u the upper deck. There is of open work now that is bility of damage from the heavy sea.

THE MINNESO Mechanics from Morar engaged in making repair nesota at Seattle. Givi sions of the ship Robt. Me is a fine vessel. It is at anyone familiar with sh she is of the very best co I do not hesitate to sa; senger accommodations able and luxurious as f trans-Atlantic liners. I any superior to her. S proud of the Minnesota der, and to look over education in shipbuilding Minnesota is here and ho get all the business to wh cargo carrier afloat is ent

HONEYMOON A 'Tossed about by angry Horn and encountering gales, marked the voyage barque Colonel de Ville which has reached port after a voyage of 142 da; patch from Seattle. "W per was his bride of seve Quiemper is a pretty liver French birth, and says honeymoon voyage from new world, notwithstand weather. The happy you his wife or Sunday night their first Christmas dinn ship with a number of fi

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MENT AND FINE. on Senor Avellaneda, bile Ran Over in in Paris.

atea Press.) 29.—A Paris dispatch

Argentine republic, who and who is an officer army, was sentenced by a Paris tribunal to ent, a fine of 500 nd 1,000 francs (\$200)

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QUEEN CITY BACK FROM WEST COAST

BROUGHT A MINER TERRIBLY INJURED

Mechanics Are Employed on the Minnesota - Oscar and Hattie Started for Home.

One of the passengers who arrived a laborer at the mine. At the time of a charge of powder which had been left from some previous work. An explosion

These will, it is stated, have to be refollowed and McGillvary was knocked a considerable distance. His shoulder was shattered, his right forearm was brocharter to R. W. Dunsmuir, of this city. While out of service, barges will be printed matter and maps, which are be-

on the coast because of the heavy gale | tors are making an inspection. raging on Tuesday. The steamer made the trip as far as Cape Scott and had among her passengers returning Messrs.
Olson, McCready, McKinnon, Dunn and

The belated sealer Oscar and Hattie was sighted at Nootka. The Queen City gave her a tow out of port, but as the weather was very rough it is not known whether the schooner had to return.

Shipping men are speculating on whether the British ship County of Dumfries has reached Vancouver yet, this being in consequence of the slow progress the ship made in coming up the Straits.

The vessel made quarantine between 12 and 1 o'clock Tuesday. She had been represented from Tatoosh about the same are speculating on February 18th, the Tydeus on March 16th, the Ping Suey April 13th, Oanfa May 11th, and the Telemachus June 8th. Other steamers yet unannounced sail every twenty-eight days thereafter.

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RENEWING ITS FLEET.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company will spend more than \$100,000 in repairing the Santa Rosa. A sum far greater will be expended in putting the steamer 000 will be disbursed on account of the steamship Spokane. The work on both the Santa Rosa and Topeka will be done

engaged in making repairs to the Minnesota at Seattle. Giving his impressions of the ship Robt. Moran said: "She be expected January 4th. is a fine vessel. It is at once apparent to anyone familiar with shipbuilding that she is of the very best construction. And I do not hesitate to say that her pasable and luxurious as those of the best trans-Atlantic liners. I have never seen any superior to her. Seattle should feel der, and to look over her is a liberal Minnesota is here and hope that she will get all the business to which the greatest

cargo carrier afloat is entitled." HONEYMOON AT SEA.

'Tossed about by angry seas off Cape Horn and encountering many severe gales, marked the voyage of the French barque Colonel de Villeboise Mareuil, which has reached port from Antwerp after a voyage of 142 days," says a dispatch from Seattle. "With Capt Quiemer was his bride of seven months. Mrs. Quiemper is a pretty little woman of French birth, and says she enjoyed her honeymoon voyage from the old to the new world, notwithstanding the rough weather. The happy young skipper and his wife of Sunday night sat down to their first Christmas dinner on board the ship with a number of friends from the

THE WIND STORM.

There has been raging off the coast during the last day or two a heavy southeasterly gale. The wind here attained a velocity of 40 miles and hour on Friday. At the same time its height at Tatoosh, at the entrance to the Straits, went up to 52 miles an hour, and off the Columbia river 62 miles an hour. The effect of this on shipping is obvious. All inbound ships in ballast will doubtless be carried a considerable distance out of

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Sold only in sealed bot-tles under buff wrapper. ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTE.

their course, causing a delay of several

in Tacoma last week discharging concentrates brought from the Treadwell mine, from the West Coast on the steamer is on the Esquimalt Marine railway for Queen City Wednesday, a young man repairs. The ship was the victim of a probably 25 years of age, named H. rather uncommon accident. In returning that McGillvary had been employed as tremendous force with each roll the fitted for stock raising and agriculture. steamer gave.

the accident he had been drilling into an could be secured on deck again owing to Ootsz Lake, and central part of this pital, and acknowledges the donation in old hole when suddenly the drill reached the breaking of a steam pipe and, in the great country, which nature has so well the following communication:

There are now fifteen men engaged in re-opening the Hayes property. The cause of the accident, and Capt. Queen City was delayed a day at a place | Whitney, of Seattle, and other naviga-

> BLUE FUNNEL LINERS. The new schedule of sailings of the Blue Funnel and White Funnel steam-Liverpool, British Columbia and the

According to the new arrangements the next steamship of the Holt lines to reach port will be the Keemun, which sails outward on January 19th. The Peleus on Technique of the Republic of the Holt lines to reach able haves in the Republic of the Holt lines to reach able haves in the Republic of the Holt lines to reach able haves in the Republic of the Repub

heavy sea prevailing was not seemingly and the Telemachus sailed the latter ers which come to Puget sound.

laden with freight for Vladivostock.

The peculiar movements of certain vessels are holding the attention of the Japanese agents on this coast, and they are

R. M. S. Empress of Japan will be the highly gratified with their courtesy and woolison. next steamer of the line due. She will kind hospitality. Travel wherever one gor Ser

doubtless prefer coming to this side for repairs. Capt. J. G. Cox, Lloyd's local entative, went over to Port Town-

NAVAL STORES ON KEEMUN. Included in the freight coming on the China Mutual liner Keemun is a ship-ment of a few hundred tons of stores for the naval yard at Esquimalt, which may e returned on the steamer as far as Hongkong. The supplies were shipped from England previous to the issuance ward voyage.

To the Editor:-We beg a small space The Bella Coola valley is the most It was some time before the anchor direct and most convenient route to the league on behalf of the Rivers Inlet hosprepared for homes for a vast number of people. The bureau of information at Mrs. W. Foxall, President, Metropolitan Victoria is doing a good work by issuing people in British Columbia, Canada and the United States, as well as in Freign countries, and at this present time very many good, worthy and industrious people are looking to this favored land for future homes. Information is being eagerly sought from a few energetic men who have visited the interior this past season, whose reports confirm the correctness of the information that has been given out by the provincial government. While it is true that this country is convenience, there would now be very many settlers located there with comfort-

tug Sea Lion had her in tow. After next six months are well known. The passing inspection at William Head the Tydeus was here last February. The proceeded to Van. vessel and her tug proceeded to Vanvessel and her tug proceeded to VanPing Sucy sailed last March. The Oanfa
was on Puget sound during the summer,
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and the Teleprochus sailed the latter
must be packed on horseback, the setpart of October with a full cargo which holds the record for value. The Oanta is bound for Vancouver for lumber cargo. and Keeman are twin screw freighters rich and favored country back from the progress it should have. The remedy for this is comparatively easy. The building of a road, or even a good trail, up the Bella Coola valley qualified. Only four who attended the into the Octsz Lake region, will cause an land at and depart from the Turner,
Beeton & Company's wharf. Heretofore
the company's steamers have berthed at
the old Hudson's Bay wharf, at the foot
form Vancouver Island, a year or so
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And deil a groat in my pouch to ring.

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all other militia officers, and, in fact,
who cannot see their way to take their
families there, nor can they leave them
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sources information comes that her destination is Vladivostock. The steamer is
owned by the Western Fuel Company.
She is now at Port Costa taking on grain.
This is not the only vessel that will
try to add to the bank rolls of the owners
by blockade running. The steamer Centennial has been chartered to carry
than to the one at the foot of Fort street.
The change is the second to be made at
the beginning of the wind a good sure thing,
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and contraband of war to the Russian port, and, it is said, that the agents of the Russian government are seeking more steamers. The Russians are willing to steamers. The Russians are willing to pay as high as \$20 per ton for the transporting of merchandise. Rumor has it sporting of merchandise. Rumor has it fertile soil, broad acres of rich grazing the soil, broad acres of rich grazing the soil of t sporting of merchandise. Rumor has it that the steamer M. S. Dollar, now loading hay at Steuart street wharf, will be ply of timber for domestic act any organical street where the steamer of the steamer of the steamer of the steam to the steamer of the steamer

ply of timber for domestic use, and very meny other very essential advantages, would be people by those more essential to the progress and prosperity of the Dominion of Crack Prov. Lieut. J. A. McTavish is permitted Dominion of Canada than Indians and to retire, 10th October, 1904,"
wild animals, which now occupy it alwild animals, which now occupy it almost exclusively. Not all of the people who would make homes in a new and unsettled country are like the brave Norwegians who settled in the Bella Coola

All drills will be discontinued from this changing her iron hull up to the level of the upper deck. There is a large amount of open work now that increases the liability of damage from the waves in a heavy sea.

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The succession of be put to such the steamship. The government is well able to help to pave the way, and give new-comers a chance, so that we may have the best class of citizens to people the best class of citizens to people the best class of citizens to people the sort of the first making out.

The following were among the saloon passengers: K.Takahashi, T. Fukai, T. Nakabashi, Chas. Miller, Mrs. J. H. Jackson, S. Zelassy, T. Shinyo, Miss Ida Kerr, V. Hamada, Ed. Salinger, Mr. Ruckle and wife, Miss Whitaker, F. Drechsel, S. Matsuda, Miss Dr. M. Polk, Miss H. Richardson, A. Johnson, Wills and the people in the property of the option of the power amount is well able to enter a spective delli nights.

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Sergt. Richdale, Gr. J. O'Keefe, Gr. Mc-Stewart, Corp. Lawson, Gr. L. O'Keefe. their courage and perseverance. Late in the season they landed at the mouth of Sergt. Nesbitt and Gr. Major did no the Bella Coola river, a hard winter was complete. very near at hand, necessaries of life were scarce and expensive, no shelter fication at recent school is hereby cancelled, left comfortable homes of even luxury approved. and refinement to come to this place, Col. Holmes, D. O. C., wishes all mem where with Christian fortitude and faith bers of the Fifth Reglment C. A. a Merry they faced with undaunted courage the perils of an inhospitable wilderness, where by hard work, economy, honesty ernment should see to it that none uld go through the same experience

(Sgd.) D. B. M'CONNAN, Capt., Adjutant. A correspondent writing to the Cana

r'or Sergeant-Gr. Laurie, Gr. Barber

For Bombardier-Gr. Sweeney, Gr. Deane,

All acting rank granted subject to quali-

Christmas and a Happy New Year, in

which the officer commanding Fifth Regi-

sel of the fleet of six referred to in the Times a few days ago as destined for the Roads to have arrived. The Penthesilea came from Panama. She was BY METHODIST LEAGUE

> Contributed Liberally Towards Refurnishing Hospital at Rivers Inlet.

Many Victorians will remember the fire which occurred about three months the naval station here. In addition to ago at Rivers Inlet, destroying among the naval station here. In addition to ago at Rivers Inlet, destroying among the of clarking chains and dungeons cold-this freight, the Keemun may also have the buildings the only hospital of that the off culture and counterscand. ther stores from Esquimalt on her out- district. Realizing the necessity of reestablishing the institution as soon as possible, Dr. Large, the Methodist mis-BELLA COOLA AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

sionary at that place, immediately applied for financial assistance from the Methodist churches of Victoria and VanMethodist churches of Victoria and Vancouver. The matter was taken up by in your valuable paper to express the views and wishes of not only the people thusiasm, and, through their energy, it of the whole Bella Coola valley, but hun- wasn't long before a fun of approximate probably 25 years of age, named H. Rather uncommon accident. In returning south last week she encountered very dreds of people who are planing to seek south last week she encountered very stormy weather off Cape Decision, and homes in the interior of northwestern a large amount of useful supplies, sent McGillvary, was the accident at Hayes camp, Alberni, a short the anchor slipped overboard. At the time ago. The incident was previously time the ship was rolling heavily, and as Lake country, where there is a vast cash amounted to \$135.75, and about \$70. north for the relief of Dr. Large and his assistants. The full contribution in Wi stirrup leather for stirrup c referred to. From information gathered the anchor only dropped a certain dis-from fellow passengers it was learned tance it struck the side of the vessel with Naturally Dr. Large is exceedingly

grateful for the efforts of the Victoria Bella Bella, B. C., Dec. 9th, 1904.

Epworth League: I am in receipt of the two boxes and one

Den your ears and shut your eyes,
Metropolitan church, and also have been
notified of the deposit to any credit in Bank
of Commerce, Victoria.

Open your ears and shut your eyes,
And—Silence thro' the music hall!"
Fytte I.
Oh, there was a King, as I understand,
The mightiest King of ony land; I hardly know how to properly acknowledge the receipt of such a generous subscription to our work. We had hoped that

The mightlest King of ony land;
As far and as far as his eyes had seen,
They had ne'er outrun the King's demessa.

some response would be made to the letter which Dr. Whittington sent to the Recorder, and when we learned that Dr. Bolton A broth of a boy (as a Briton ought, had addressed your league on the subject we felt certain that our need and our work. I rhyme in Erse, Frank, Saxe and Scot). had been placed before you by one whose interest has been unflagging from the time While it is true that this country is but perfly explored, there is enough known of it so that if there had been a road by which would-be settlers could get back into the interior with reasonable and the useful supplies and the cash settlers.

The true that this country is the with Mr. Crosby, were instrumental in the say'd: "My lad, will ye gang alone to the Hinterlands o'er the 'Lantic sea Inter up to the present. It is quite clear that he addressed a symplicity and the useful supplies and the useful supplies and the cash seat and the useful supplies and the cash sent by you far exceeded our expectations.

Now the Kinge's son set firm his face, by you far exceeded our expectations. Our plans are not yet completed as to the rebuilding, but we are hoping to get everything settled so that we may con

building operations early in the New Year and be ready for next season's work.

On behalf of the hospital staff I wish to And rubberneck, as old Araby did, convey our sincerest thanks to those who in any way contributed in cash or supplies towards the re-establishment of the hospital at Rivers Inlet. Your generosity materially lightens the burden resting upon our hospital work as a result of the fire Thanking you again and wishing you every success in your work.

As will be seen by the appended reg

mental orders, which give a list of th

oandidates successful in the recent exam

inations, twenty three of those who trie

school of instruction will not be given

make a different arrangement.

ment follows:

Yours sincerely, W. LARGE.

Has swatted the drops frae his Royal eyes And says: "Go, get you a good disguise." "Oh, I may not go as a belted Earl.

Lest they pin me tight wi' my ain broad-Hard and fast to a mining board.

"And I may not go as a General, Nor yet a deep sea Admiral, Lest they salt some Klondike river bank Wi' golden braid that marks my rank. 'And I may not, go as a man of wealth,

Then off and away went the lither young The regimental orders issued by Lieut. page, So swiftly for his two bit gage; Colonel Hall, comanding the Fifth Regi-He has found Pierpont upon the Strand And given him the King's command.

Then 'twas "Welcome, welcome," cried the Ye'll help us out like onything, his discharge is struck off the strength of

"Oh, you'll get him a lounging suit o' grey,

Canada would be constantly supplied tie. Far from it. They are good Imperialists, and rest their approval on the in advancing this theory the writer conmore than her share of the general bursiders that a country farsighted enough den, and that it is high time Canada conto adopt it would not be so blind as not tributed a larger part. "That to garrison Halifax and Esquiof instructors which would be the frame on which the army of the nation would malt with Canadian troops is the best be built, also that there would be miliway of relieving Britain of some of her tary material, maps and war schemes overplus we most emphatically question. ply and artillery, which require that the plant of the country. Although many plant of the country with the regulars at each point every pear, in order to supplement them in case. times, and many others disagree entire change of Canadian for at first it looks unfeasible, yet there is 2nd, the men school teachers, who could go to one of the royal schools of instruc-

tion and the musketry school, take cer-

tificates, and instruct their pupils in mili-

unused to such hardships and exposure, may date back to the time acting rank was ly, ofthers will agree with it, and although would mean the raising of a force of hard Church Destroyed at Winnipeg-Fireupon two thousand men. "As it is, Britain has a certain number of trained men which it is necessary for her to maintain. A part of these might just as well be doing duty in Canada as elsewhere. In the event of war they tary work as well as in the ordinary edu-cational work; 3rd, the rifles and camp equipment in the militia stores; 4th, the could be relieved by Canadians, raised for a short term, as in the case of the equipment in the militia stores; 4th, the rifle ranges to camp on and shoot over; 5th, the time to carry it out, i.e., two weeks in the early summer after school eleges?"

The should the seat of war by fire this afternoon. It cost \$40,000, and was the finest edifice of the denomination in the world. The fire originateless in the early summer after school eleges?"

reasons.

JAMES G. SCRIBNER.

Bella Coola.

summer after examination time, to be 1 "It seems that the off-talked-of with put under canvas and undergo the same drawal of the British garrisons from musketry training combined with drill Halifax and Esquimalt is again under V. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Ont.

The Ballad of The Kinge's Son Written for the Times by J. H. M.

To beat the railroads when he can."

He has gotten his measure point device.

And chord by chord he has set it true,

To a leading air as faint and new

He has set the word to a proper scale,

Till the pipe of the heav'nly nightingal

And bugled it loud in his chosen tongue,

Is dwarfed to the sob of a frozen lung.

The breakers roar, the wild winds rage,

ries: "Wae's me, wha'll the storm assuage

The King's son on the landing stage

Black to the eye broad Mersey rolls,

Oh, wha will come an' take their tolls,

"Oh, who is this that ca's so loud? I'se ferry ye safe thro' wave and cloud,

For the halter yet I'll save yer neck,

For cheaper toll than you'd expec'-

He struck a match-the night was dark-

To the mast they nailed the Plimsoll marl

They stepped aboard the Allan bark,

Then anchor weighed and off they go

And Hughie says: "Ye're best below.

Ho, steward! 'tend the stranger!'

Unstable, wet, and full of holes;

Tho' high the tide is swellin'.

And land ye hale at old Kebeck,

My name is Hughie Allan!"

High up and outen danger

Before I putten to sea?

And gi'en it sound wi' a humming tune,

And strike us a song on thine autoharp. Of jousts and tourneys, mail of gold-And plug hat, a la alderman." "And whatna orders does a drummer wear?

And whatna weapons should he bear? And whatna beats does the drummer beat As he rat-tat-tats along the street?" Great is the power o' minstrelsy; And bears no weapon save his cheek; And this is the beat of the drummer man, Tho' heavy 'tis with palimpsest Old songs, rag-time reset, d'ye see?"

Hold up, hold up, with thy endless drone, Thou minstrel bald with the autoharp; Thy witless tale's as dry's a bone, Do ye think when gentles ring ye up Ye've nought to do but rush the can Thy harp is flat, a semi-tone; Thy jests are pointless, and were known And whimper aye with 'if' and 'an'? Wi' stirrup leather for stirrup cup! To the grandsire of St. Polycarp."

l'falth, gadzooks, My Lords, go slow, 'Nay now, nay now, but I have the floor-While I bethink me a certain air— 'T's not 'Hoop-la, With a Rumbelow,' But wait till I quaff the X X X, Then will I all the wealth unstore Nor 'Dowie Dens of Ohio,' Nor 'Come, Let Us a Maying Go, That lieth hid in camel's roar, n peacock's song and sphynx's lore-Mah Honey Wid de Kinkly Hair.' Lie low till you here what's coming nex'."

"But this be a song of great emprise I'll sing ye of one both great and wise. Who risked his life in humble guise. Open your ears and shut your eyes,

The mightiest King of ony land;

Says he: "To fear would be disgrace;

With my trav'lling suite-I'll go incog.,

"For 'twere well our high estate to hide In a land where Paymin Grits abide, Till we've supped unkenned at their lovir

And sort of sized the matter up." Oh, the King threw his arms around his Thro' smooring foam as white as snow, Has gled him a kiss, and a Royal cheque,

While round the Calf o' Man they creep

And, ranging o'er the soundless deep, Flare farewell lights to Erin. Syne landward rises Heaven's lamp, Westward the shades o' night decamp, The waves no longer roar and ramp, Wi' crested mane, up-rearin'.

And dressed himself in drummer's clothes To him, on deck, comes one of "those"— "How's a' wi' ye, my buck oh? I'm Jones, that sells Saul's dog feed cake Lest they make friends wi' me by stealth. And loaden me up with a good sure thing, Come, join in our ship's run sweepstak Wilt risk a crown to make or break? Be blooded-Try your luck, oh!'

> Emotion swelled the Prince's breast, Snapped, as he spoke in leal protest Away and feed your dogs, ve clown!

Lest I, the' but a drummer, frown

Wi' bower, ace and joker.

And kept below for twa-three days The King's son turned and walked his ways Intil the cabin smoker. There three men tried to teach him slough, But syne he signalled: "Quantum suff. The game of euchre's bad enough,

But when the King ranks third in place, If ye rede me this ye will earn our thanks, | Wi' ten spot following the ace, | How dress ye drummers among the Yanks? | Indeed, 'twould be a rank disgrace-'Tis not to be permitted. He cast the cartes intil the sea.

Come hither, come hither, thou minstrel | "And a flare end scarf like a butterfly, But, recking little what they say, The King's son, stlent, goes his way, While plying onward day by day A collar just three inches high, Then a gore sleeved coat on the Ragian The good ship makes her westing. Her bows the blocking billows spurn, And fling in shattered flakes astern

> Her restless pace protesting. The watch on deck with puckered eyes At last a gleam of white espies, 'Oh, he'll get what orders he may bespeak, And "Hice ahead!" he hoarsely cries, From lungs a whale might blow thro'.
> The King's son glowers thro' his glass— "Is Canaday you icy mass?
> Then Rudyard called her right, alas,

Our Lady of the Snowsh

The wing-worn seagulls scream and turn,

"Hoots! toots!" says Hughle. "Haud yer

Yon's but a berg frae Arctic Seas, Whaur heathens feed on walrush grease, An' strut in sealskin plaidies. Would ca' a land of oil an' wines She's somewhat nearer Hades!

Yon Keepling lad is just a pote, Second Fytte.

An', pleased wi' winter's petticoat,

He coins the pretty phrase ye quote, Am' prents it in his pages. He's not the first, for long ago King Pompydoor (of France, ye know) And pours it forth like a Kipling rhyme. Ca'd Canaday a wheen o' snow-

Ung poo arpens de nayges." The minstrel paused for lack of breath, As the thin white curve of the coming Full pleased to hear his audience snore. Alas! there comes an angry roar From one, whose outcry witnesseth

That naught save apoplectic death Shall end the cycle of "encore!" "Da capo, scoundrel! Give us more!" Sadly his harp be fingereth.

Sadly his voice he tunes again To syncopated accents low, That murmur o'er an underton of sobbing, baritonic pain. Sadly he drones the dall refrain And telleth how, from far below

Quebec, to Montreal, "en haut" The ship sails inland from the main. Fytte the Third. Point Levis gates are gained at last, (Wae's me, St. Lawrence), Fair stream, yet awful, regal, vast, A queen of torrents; With far flung farms, once held in fief To rights seigneurial, now in grief, Cadastred, registered, in brief-

Mount Royal's harbor soon is won (Wae's me, the maples), utpicturing, beneath the sun, The Bay of Naples. From here the incog. cables home:
"Big town, Conformist, leans to Rome; Trade exports-corn and honeycomb,

And such like staples. Fine men and women here-the maids (Wae's me, the lassie) Can give oor English cards and spades-Not one is passe. Tho' countless hundreds throng the street, Gadzooks, mon pere, each one I meet

Alas! that cables e'er should leak (Wae's me, Marconi), Twas no false rouge on madame's cheek, I'll bet a pony. When the false butler of the tower Brought her these words-To catch that Would tax Lafayette's cameric power!

Je veux l'embrasser!

The wire buzzed back to Montreal Come home at once, ere worse befall. Verb. sap. suffit., the Prince went hame (Sadder and madder than he came) Across the seas to join his dame,

Nae mair to leave her.

n thunderous mood the Ollave thwinged his fingers thro' the lyre, Vibrating harsh concordant sounds obedi-

ent to his stroke: The diapasoned echoes throbbed tumultuous from the wire In wails of Cassandraic woe-and then-

the G string broke. Hot to his hips rushed golfing terms well rounded to his ire, But he choked them down and went straight home and never a word he

CITY MARSHAL KILLED. Murder at Cleveland, Miss.—Seven Men Have Been Arrested.

Thomas, the city marshal of Merigold, has been killed by Robert Bess, a young man highly connected. Seven men have been lodged in jail at Marigold for alleged connections with the crime. Mayor A. Saunders is included

among the prisoners. Details of the tragedy are meagre. A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case, no mat prepared for this army, and also that those branches such as intelligence, supply and artiflery, which require extra coccumation of each is probably the minimum, and as it is, the local militia train by Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo.

THREE FIRES.

man Lost His Life at Sioux City.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 23.-The beautiful new Icelandic, Lutheran, church on Nona street, erected last summer and occupied only a month, was destroyed

ken, and may have to be amputated, and operated as previous to the engagement ing read and examined by thousands of the Leelenaw.

While out of service, parges will be printed matter and maps, which are beone ingread and examined by thousands of the Leelenaw. On aurival last night the unfortunate man was taken in the ambulance to the hos-

Sound has been received.

WYEFIELD CHARTERED. The British steamer Wyefield, which

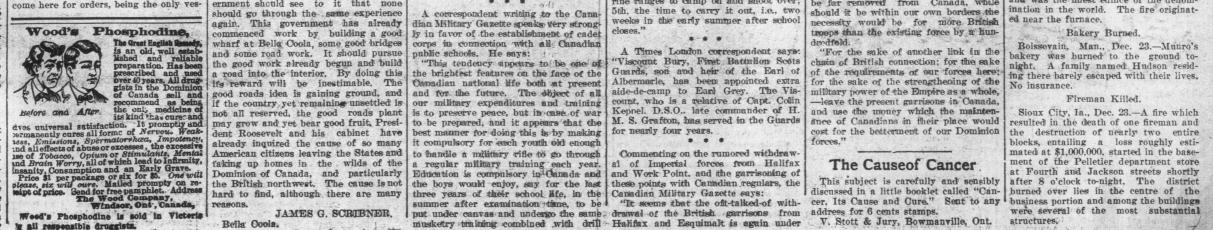
making efforts to locate the present whereabouts of these vessels."

THE INDIA'S PASSENGERS.

MAY COME HERE. It is not improbable that the ships Neck and Ancona, which were in collision at Port Townsend a short time ago, will come to Esquimalt for repairs. Tenders were called for the work to be done on either, and it is stated that the Esquimalt Marine Railway Company's bids were the lowest. Considerable damage was sustained by both vessels, and as they are British their owners and as they are British their owners doubtless prefer coming to this side for

send last evening to see the vessels. PENTHLESILEA HERE

The British ship Penthlesilea, Captain Manson, which shipping papers have reported bound for the Sound, arrived in selves comfortable homes and are conthe Royal Roads on Saturday. She has | tented and happy. The Canadian gov come here for orders, being the only ves-



Wood's Phosphodine is sold in Victoria

cussions are precipitated the business of the session may be put through with cel- A ball to be a real success must be carerity and that the members may be let ried to the point of the physical collapse go to attend to their private affairs with- of most of those who attend. In all his in two months at the most.

has been appointed. The government, in lease him from the bonds of constituorder to parry the open attacks of the tional conventions. opposition and the secret hostility of its supporters to the measure framed by the TRIBULATIONS OF monetary institutions for the purpose of assessments and taxation. It has taken lions of people in the world, ourselves pledge unfulfilled.

members of the government boast they have produced an equilibrium between rich, for the sake of a few years of revenues and expenditures should be in stewardship. Yea, we would give a writeffect when they next make an appeal ten guarantee to apply our well-gotten

1905. The commission is merely an ex- hold. The fates and the tauff have garrison is cheerful and as determined as pedient to placate the dissatisfied repre-

people of British Columbia. We suppose to make the conditions even approximateit is fitting and appropriate that the Minister of Finance should be one of the ers. vestigators. Mr. Ker is a shrewd man The advocates of a tariff for this counwith large business interests in the try equal to that of the United States province. Mr. Buntzen, as a remarkably must hold their peace for a few years. lines, should be capable of giving sage upset a government which they believed advice to the directors of assessments. | stood in the path of coveted graft con-But what about the great mining in- tained a revelation, which will not be fordustry, as representing the chief of Bri- gotten in a hurry, as to the methods by tish Columbia's resources? And have which unscrupulous manipulators bethere been no complaints of assessment come suddenly rich. inequalities from the important commercial houses of Vancouver and Victoria GENTLEMEN AND and other distributing centres in the interior? Do the farmers admit that they have been fairly dealt with in the redis-

McBride government? the hon, member be violating the inde-

attacks that may be made upon his ridiculous. It might be turned to service which would not bear scrufinizing by a commission of investigation.

AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION. Society in mashington, D. C., is now

at Westminster, at Berlin, at Vienna, at of this English Solomon and the interpre-St. Petersburg, at Ottawa, at Victoria, tation put upon it by the learned coun-B. C., or any other of the aristocratic sel of the school teacher who would be legislative centres of the un-democratic world. The great society event of the good for himself or anybody else. year at Washington will be the quadriennial inauguration ball. The date for this great festive occasion is inviolably A contemporary heartlessly observes year the ball must be held on Saturday House. From the Quebec Legislature night if precedent and constitutional the Conservative party has disappeared shall be set free. Her manifest destiny ful search for the remains of "Leader after nidnight. The spirit of true enjoyment does not take possession of the has been reached. The masses of the doubtless by the failure of what the Colpeople, said in mistake to constitute the onist calls a Liberal conspiracy to acball had been prolonged into the hours of the day of rest. Ward McAllister has umbia the official as well as the ornathe post of director-general of the society | the Dominion? It has been suggested style and deportment, shape the destines of the aristocracy of the great democracy. President Rosewelt carries no counterpart of our own late Major Maude upon his staff to dispose of embarrassing questions such as that which is now troubling Wushington society. There is no filling in it. It is true that the Conservative leader in troubling Wushington society. There is a legitimate subject for discussion. At any rate, there is no doubt the question such as that which is now apparently nothing for the giddy, restricted, perplexed and annoyed set to do but to dance until midight and then go home and take its rest at the socially me and the form our series fine the take the tone of the truiter of the Durinest Murders smile from your graciously or around and most graciously or around in the total mura-loyalists wagging by speaked series; while from your graciously merved to Yancouver on Th

with the fine points of social etiquette. activities, wnether in business, sports or amusements, the American is very stren-

stract, to avoid the disgrace of dying the present purely ornamental one. wealth for the benefit of our feilow-It is obviously not intended that the creatures in return for the fovors of the

COMMON PEOPLE.

is not a gentleman in the eyes of the law. qualified to act as commissioner? Would prietor and headmaster of a private pose the active Property Owners' Assorecognized basis, is in danger of becoming more democratic. Lest any obscure individual with no generic past, and presuming on his ability to do something useful for his fellows and for the world, should lay claim to recognition as a genupon an established basis just as it is tleman, let us bear in mind the decision a gentleman, that a real gentleman is one who has never done a ha'porth of

WHY NOT?

terms are unalterable save on the will of Legislature. That province did not elect is a valuable suggestion for the next the representatives of the people. This a single representative to the Dominion As all ball-goers know, dancing, etc., in party anyway?" Please do not overlook waste valuable time and barrels of circles deserving of the name of "society," the case of British Columbia. There is does not become really enjoyable until a fine nucleus for a party here. The de ing her? The show has run for a reasonsoul and body until the witching hour go out of business entirely, discouraged bone and sirew, the pith and marrow, complish the downfall of a Liberal gov- and fashion of the present metropolis of the bulwarks, etc., of the great Ameri- ernment. Why not make the able young can nation, would be scandalized if the gentleman who has so successfully led fact were published that the inaugural the Conservative party in British Colbeen deposed by common consent from mental head of the demoralized party in events of the United States. There is that Premier Haultain of the Northwest and recognized leader of the Four Hun- Territories is the man for the position. future political position of Canada. dred who by birth, breeding, cothing, But what has Haultain done that he

THAT ASSESSMENT COMMISSION. tion has been thrown out that proceed- he lost in every instance. But Mr. Haul- open the matter all the more fully. Nor ings should be commenced at 1 a.m. on tain did but little better. They both ap- will the loyalty of the Canadian people Saturday, that an adjournment should pealed to the electors on the ground that be affected in the slightest degree as a that it will be prepared to meet the be made at daylight, and dancing re- the federal authorities had been tyran- result. But the tone of the discussion Legislature on the 9th of February. sumed again in the evening until the pro- nical and unjust in their dealings with must to some extent depend upon the Through its organs it admonishes the gramme is exhausted. But that is the their respective provinces. The constitu- environment of the expositors. Mgr. opposition that if no embarrassing dis- idea of an untamed, top-booted, possibly encies virtually told them to return to Archambault admits having "dreamed" sarcastic Westerner who is not familiar their posts and attend to their own pro- of an independent French Canada. But per business and that they were mani- he says his tongue slipped when festly insincere in their charges. We publicly described his vision. Possibly cannot understand why the man from there are people outside of French Canthe Northwest should be preferred to the ada who have dreamed dreams relative leadership is dealt with. Besides, we have, and they were public men, they smooth time an assessment commission has been appointed. The government in giant politician and tactician. They are if there is to be any change in the political MILLIONAIRES. like to be accused of doing unbecoming United States. Not French Canada, not things. They look upon that head, which | English Canada, but a united Canada, extracting taxes inequitably from the The perils of the millionaire is the of its own volition challenged them to free and sovereign, was the picture I inpeople, promised that it would appoint a subject of an able and interesting article combat, as something to be hit every tended to draw. There was no idea of committee to consider the subjects of in one of the magazines. There are mil- time it shows itself. It is not their fault secession." that the head is too handsome to be subassessments and taxation. It has taken this course at the eleventh hour because among the number, who would be willing in political warfare. They are not to foretold disaster to the British victors it dared not face the House with its to relieve the unfortunates of a portion blame that the Premier possesses no de in South Africa are evidently not going or of all of their burdens and to share fence. Notwithstanding the cries of to be fulfilled. The opponents of Mr. the concrete what Mr. Carnegie has Tory objections are to be accepted as ment and prosperity. Professor Hele-

BUSSIA'S FOLLY

What the millionaires have they will at so many kopecks per pound. Still the candidly admit this. They say the dispatch of the Baltic fleet was not even a future. forlorn hope. It will be found to be a A British court in the plentitude of its deliberate sacrifes of the empire's retribution and the tremendous increase of the burdens of taxation imposed by taxation impose the burdens of taxation imposed by the master may be a gentleman in fact, he covering command of the sea and reliev- shall pass through the Isthmian canal. ing Port Arthur as a result of naval President Roosevelt in the exuberance What special class will the President of the Council represent on this much lauded commission? Is Mr. F. Carter-Cotton as a member of the Legislature Cotton as a member of the Legislature of the Council representation of the Council representation of the decision of a registrar in regard to this point and giving his reasons for his belief long before the destruction of the council representation of the control of the council representation of the control of the council representation of the control of the control of the council representation of the counc which voted five thousand dollars for the in the matter of compensation for ser- Port Arthur fleet was complete said tains of earth. The New York Post Rojestvensky when he arrived at his of earth. The New York Post objective point would have nothing to rely upon but his own resources. He Isthmus." That was the trime ago, she were a collar of gold and remuneration of the inquisitorial body vices a teacher, although he was the pro- Rojestvensky when he arrived at his quotes Mr. Roosevelt as saying: "We rely upon but his own resources. He Isthmus." That was the triumphant jewels. pendence of parnament act if he were to accept his expenses as a member of the with a tradesman or any other individual squadron would be able to render him protesting Yale professors, after his uncommission?

When all his bread as a dealer in com-No doubt Mr. Cotton, who is a careful modities. Here is a precedent which ships are assembled neither in morale has passed, and not even the plans for and cautious man, has weighed all these may be of service in this community in nor in material strength will they be able the canal are yet fixed. So obstinately things in his mind and is prepared to dewhich the decrees of fashon are some value of the opposing battle fleets, inriver refuse to get out of the way at cluding armored cruisers, he estimates the bididng of impetuosity! The chief standing by the opposition. He may be by the acknowledged gentlemen who comby the acknowledged gentlemen gen numerically at 613 to 334 in favor of engineer of the Commission, Mr. Walof the commission will be discussed of the commission will be discussed ciation and who live in dread lest some ties in respect of speed, armament, and very open-minded way. It is evident adequately; that every other act of the government will be discussed adegovernment will be discussed adepublic schools should be educated above should consider it necessary to detach

that he favors a cut at sea-level. Indefensive armor. Even if Admiral Togo
should consider it necessary to detach

of the rising generation who attend the defensive armor. Even if Admiral Togo
should consider it necessary to detach quately. At the same time there will the station in life to which they have four armored cruisers to intercept the preference seem now to be strongly leanbe no "factious" opposition. The oppon-been assigned by an all-wise Providence, ents of the government are practical men We are thankful for this decision, be-ers improbable, the value of his fleet of affairs, much more practical than the cause there is reason to fear that this heterogeneous elements which keep the administration in power for reasons established its social standards upon no in his favor. 'The superiority of the Japanese in protected cruisers and in torpedo craft of all kinds he regards as too watcher on the peak in Darien will have great for any comparison to be instituted. These facts being admitted, why has ships go by. Russia determined upon the sacrifice of all that remains of her effective naval

like the "American" constitution, its two Conservatives in the Nova Scotia heads and the man was convicted. Here and death an intruder to be dreaded. jury that sits upon the celebrated case of the state v. Nan Patterson. Heads the exhumers get Borden safely out from unaccused shall be discharged; tails she der the wreck, they should make a careusages are not to be cast to the winds. altogether. What's the matter with the is to be acquitted in any event. Why Flynn" (of Quebec). money in the hopeless formality of tryable length of time already. A representative of the British nobility has been seen upon the bench alongside of the presiding justice as a special attraction. What more can the wealth and beauty the West and the future metropolis of the world desire? Ring down the curtain. Could the scales of justice be more delicately balanced?

. . . We suppose it will be admitted tha any man whom the spirit moves is at liberty to publicly speculate as to the Mgr. Archambault, a professor in Laval

man from the West when the question of to the possibilities of the future. If they told every day that it is a species of status of Canada in the future, he would against the revered head. They do not pendent, rather than annexed to the

The members have acquainted them- their dangers and responsibilities. We shame! coward! etc., we fear the bom- Chamberlain would not admit that his selves with the sentiments of their con- would even undertake to carry out in bardment is destined to continue. If policy could bear the fruits of contentstituents, and they realise what will happen if the measure under which the avowed himself in favor of in the absubstitute a working political head for substitute a working political head for pool University, who has recently returned from South Africa, has been giving his views on the condition of affairs in that country. Speaking of the region which brought into existence the city of The Russians in Port Arthur are evi-Johannesburg, he pointed out that the dently in great straits as a consequence Rand would by the end of the year have It is obviously not intended that the report this commission may make shall gods of modern finance. But what is the report this commission may make shall use of speculation upon such topics? mals of the canine family are retailing #15,000,000, and would have produced £124,000,000, the market value of the mines at the beginning of last year being made Carnegie and his fellow-sufferers ever to do what it believes to be its duty £173,000,000. At the present moment, sentatives who keep the government in rich. They will all die as they have for the honor and glory of the Little some 25,000 Chinese are at work in the lived. The fiscal reformers will follow Father and the Great Fatherland. It is Rand, and their advent has led to the im-Nor will the personnel of the investi- them, and they will have a heavy con- not for military strongholds (and Port | mediate occupation of several thousand gating committee be satisfactory to the tract on their hands when they attempt Arthur appears to be one of the strongest white men who had previously been out of places or it would have succumbed to of work. By the end of the year he the onsets of the ardent Japs) to sur-will have arrived, and be engaged upon commissioners. He will be, as the pos- There is some satisfaction in knowing render when its case appears to hold no the Rand, and whatever the political sessor of inside information, the countral that the revelations of frenzied finan promise of relief. It must stand fast aspect of the question, or the behavior selsor and guide and director of the inciers contain a lesson for Canadians. while a man, with a dog to sustain him, of a certain number of them, he declares remains. Something may turn up to there can be no doubt that the bulk of the There were never two finer stars in their bring relief. There is scarcely a prob- men are quiet, hard-working, and lawabiding. As to the probable life of the successful manager of transportation and The attempt of a gang of promoters, ability that Kouropatkin will be able to mines, those best fitted to judge hold that other concerns within certain restricted contractors and conspiring politicians to send succor to the beleaguered in time to on the Rand alone all the gold cannot be prevent them from succumbing to hunger extracted in the next fifty years. The or more merciful assault. The Russian depression, which had been the natural general is against a stone wall which he result of the war, seems now to show can neither climb over nor break through. signs of yielding to something like the There is just as little possibility of relief that struck him was the absolute and I would have known them at a glance from the ocean side. Russian naval men firm belief in South Africa and in the great possibilities of the country in the

leaves the enthusiastic dirt-flying of a to wait long before seeing the stately

An Eastern philosopher looks forward forces? Have the advisers of the Czar to the day when man shall earn a full determined to take a gambler's chance? supply of the necessaries of life by the toil of six hours per diem. Cheer up, ye A New York jury could not agree upon | downtrodden sufferers under , the eighta verdict in a recent case of a man ac- hour law! The gates of hope are not cused of a criminal offence. It argued hermetically sealed! If we can only deand wrangled for hours without any vise some means of dealing with the at me, with a world of mischief in his symptoms of umanimity appearing, stubborn individual who in the name of smile. Then a bright mind in the midst was personal freedom will insist upon workseized with a happy thought. A coin ing as long as the sun gives forth his fixed. It cannot be changed because, that "there are thirty-six Liberals and was tossed in the air. It came down light, we may yet make life worth living

Toronto Star: When those Montreal

LADNER NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) Ladner, Dec. 22.—The Westham Island football team gave a pleasant social ace on Friday, 16th instant, in Kirkland's hall, Westham Island.

instant, at her home.
T. E. and Mrs. Ladner will spend Christmas in Victoria. Bent Arthur is seriously ill with pneu-W. J. Brandrith is around again. Henry Jordan met with a serious acci ent on Monday last by being thrown

from a cart. He received several bad H. K. Wright, of the R. B. C., returned on Monday. A. W. Hyndman, of the Royal Bank of



the tidings that half the world had been swallowed into an awful void his digestive establishment would continue to do business at the old stand and he would at once form in his mind an elaborate sacrilege to raise their unhallowed hands prefer to see "Canada free and inde- plan for the display of the announcement in a glaring "double-headed frontpager," with the same enthusiasm and professional zeal that he would chronicle a less astounding announcement. The man who passes his life amid a continuous whirl of excitement is never astonished, even if he, himself, is drawn

into the vortex. That is why I was not startled when, on the third Friday after accepting the extraordinary offer of Charon, the reverie into which I was wont to fall while awaiting my visitors was interrupted by-not one, but two shadowy strangers. confess I did not expect to participate in a three-cornered conference with dis-tinguished arrivals from Elysium, for I interpreted the terms of my agreement as stipulating that the illustrious shades would visit me one by one. This had been my lot up to that time, as those who have followed my interviews with Napoleon and Demostheres are aware, but as I had entered into the spirit of the enterprise with so much excitement and nterest I was not disposed to kick over the traces. I knew that I was about to meet two strangers, before they entered; I could hear their voices in a dialogue just outside the door, and was able to establish their identity by the names they

applied to each other.
"I'm sure this is the place, Walter," I heard a decisive, clear, but not altogether musical feminine voice say. "Charon's wire wasn't very explicit, but t stated that the office was at the head of the first flight of stairs. We'll pass

ough this wall, anyway." "Just as you say, Elizabeth; you always did have your way, as Essex remarked just before his head went into the basket," was the reply in submissive, but manly tones, as the pair passed into my view, the tady leading.

And they were a stately couple indeed respective firmaments than Queen Eliza beth and her noble courtier, Sir Walter It was unnecessary, indeed, for them to submit their credentials for my inspection, for Christendom has pre-sented but two of their kind for the contemplation and edification of posterity. And right here I will admit that what ever inaccuracies can be charged to history with reference to this illustrious they have not been caricatured, and

among ten millions. Elizabeth to me appeared stately and majestic. Her face was oblong but fair, her eyes small but black and pleasant. Her nose was a trifle hooked, and her lips narrow. Her hands were slender conversation with me. She wore pearls with rich drops, in her ears, while on her large as beans. Instead of the famous parel worn by this canine was alone

gorgeous enough to stock my entire wardrobe for ten years if it were transwas distinguished by that graceful carriage and winning manner which won the frigid heart of England's brilliant ruler in the days of her earthly glory. The smiling eyes, genial expression, flaxen beard, so familiar to those of us who have seen his portraits, were there, while he wore the rich apparel—silken doublet, breeches and hose—that only a man of his birth was able to order without getting into the small debts court. poignard hung loosely at his girdle, while the imposing picture his appearance presented was crowned by the feathered cap which was the custom with courtiers of the Elizabethan era.

I had arisen when the sound of voices first reached me, so that when they entered the apartment I was prepared for my courtliest bow, an anatomical disturbance I had copied from a celebrated Chinese diplomat who had recently vis-

ited this place.
"Ha, ha, he does that pretty well, doesn't he, Walter?" queried Elizabeth with a tinge of irony in her tones as she surveyed me from tip to tip, much to my well-concealed annoyance. "Yes, nearly as well as my Lord of the courtier replied, winking Leicester,

Raleigh; you know very well that Robert Dudley was nothing but a friend to me," torted Elizabeth in withering tones.
"Well, perhaps not," the gallant knight quickly returned, "but you made him face. But a wonderful trait in her char-Earl of Leicester and told one of his men acter disclosed itself here. Instead of hat you would raise him higher than any of his name had been before. As his father was a Duke, Bob would have had to be a king to go him one better. In the parlance of the gaming table, you would have raised him—with the king.
I know he lost his head over you." "Yes," tartly retorted the late Queen, "and you lost your head, too, but in a

rent way—and to a man." Walter reddened and bit his lip. "Have lordly wave of his hand.

and my arm was beginning to feel the second fiddle to her in the good old days, strain. Her Majesty whofly ignored me and the chair while this characteristic little tiff was on, but when her attention was called to my presence she turned around and most graciously craved my readen for her mydeness.

Second induct to her an eight do say so. Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned, you the promoters that the instead, I said, "Why, your Majesty had I lived in your time, I would around and most graciously craved my have died in an effort to win the faintest smile from your gracious lips."

The Inter-University A

A newspaperman is supposed to be | keep us out of the Union Club of Elyamazed at nothing. If, in the middle of sum, but one night Delilah, Lucretia Borgia, Semiramis, Dido, Zenobia, Boadines Holman Research icea, Helen of Troy, Cleopatra and my-self, went in a body and demanded admittance. A stormy few hours followed two tears from her cheek. The terrier our arrival there, I can assure you. Samson, Marc Antony, Henry the Eighth, my father, mind you, Socrates, Solomon, and Brigham Young wanted us excluded. Raleigh, Essex, Lord Byron were our champions, while flinty-hearted Napoleon, Caesar and Alexander were indifferent. The meanest man in were indifferent. The meanest man the said that down in their precious narra the batch was Brigham Young, who said that down in their precious narra tives?" Elizabeth was on the verge of Utah, and that if we were admitted he hysterics and was fiercely manipulating would resign. Well, a compromise was effected by the organization of an asso-

> termined to have our say." "I shall be only too happy to speak for you, your Majesty," I volunteered, with my best double shuffle, "but I must protest against a visit from Lucretia Borgia. Much as I would like to mingle among the pleasant company of Elysium, I would prefer to keep my candle alight until it is legitimately snuffed out." "Poor Lucretia, Elizabeth responded, feelingly. "She isn't so bad as she is painted. I know she never deliberately poisoned anyone in her life, but she was ishly. so unlucky with her salads and mince pies. Somebody had to be inconsiderate Mary Stuart?" I asked, te enough to die in fearful agony every time she prepared the culinary delights

"By Jove, Elizabeth, look here!" broke in Sir Walter, who, during my conversa-tion with the Queen had been curiously inspecting the gallery of notables on the wall. "This face is familiar," pointing

new arrival who recently joined the Union Club. They call him the Rho-

dreadfully exclusive. Chums with fellows like Clive, Warren Hastings, Colmbus, Champlain and that sort, don't you know. I can't make him out; he's ways danging the map of South Africa

would rather stand and smoke," and he drew from his pocket the shade of a pipe, which he filled with tobacco from capacious pouch. "You don't get this obacco, nowadays," he pursued, expelling smoke from his mouth like the utpouring from the Crofiton smelter stack. "This is the real article, the only original stuff I brought to the Old Country from America about three hundred and fifty years ago. I called it Virginia

Sweet, after Bess, here." sions of a man who has lost his poli-"Yes, and a piece of insolence on your pant it was, too," came the unapprec tive response, like a pom-pom. "That's about the only thing you ever did be sides attacking a few Spanish towns and fitting out futile expeditions. All

for my glory. D-n!" I literally leaped from my seat. It was then a fact that I had often readthe mighty Elizabeth swore. Her father, I knew, was never very choice in the selection of his expletives, but I thought that surely Queen Bess had been foully red by historians when they wrote that she occasionally dropped an oath. In my introductory I said that a newspaperman should never be amazed. wasn't exactly amazed, but the sudden, to overcome the fleet of Togo. The value of the opposing battle fleets, including armored equies a continuous to overcome the fleet of Togo. The value of the opposing battle fleets, including a continuous to opposing battle fleets. shell. Sir Walter contemplated my agitation with a smile of amusement, while the Queen wore a puzzled expression on

"What's the matter?" she inquired, innocently and sweetly. "Subject to apoplexy?"

membered that my life insurance policy was about due; that's all, that's all." "I thought it was something serious, she replied with apparent relief. "As I was saying, Raleigh did nothing wonderful in his day."

"Oh, I don't know," Sir Walter remarked, airily. "I named a state after vou: it was called Virginia, and a pretty good one it is, despite its name "Wretch!" broke in the enraged Queen. "And thou saidst that on earth I'd have had thy head."

"Yes, I've no doubt. You seemed to have a penchant for collecting heads. You handled the axe by proxy with better skill than any of your descendants, and the only person to-day who can equal you is Carrie Nation. Oh, yes, you'd have had my head right enough, if I hadn't good enough sense to keep out of the way; I was experimenting in tobacco cultivation, not in that little game of paskethall which seemed to be so popu-"Pooh, you talk like a fool, Walter lar with your own coy, sweet self and your dear, old, corpulent, polygamous

I expected to see the Queen hurl the shade of her terrier full in the knight's acter disclosed itself here. Instead of making a terrible, profane onslaught upon him, she rose to her feet, and in the most gracious manner held out her hand for him to kiss. Sir Walter, taken late to-day that preparations for a new paid his handsomest homage to the virgin The noble pair becoming thus recon-

ciled, I was able to pursue the interview. "Is there anything you wish me to say At this cruel reminder of an embar-regarding historical inaccuracies now? assing and uncomfortable incident Sir I asked—my old stereotyped question. "Well, there are two or three points," Mrs. J. Matheson entertained a company of your say, your Majesty," he said with pany of young people on Friday, 16th a sweeping bow in which there was much instant, at her home.

T. F. and Mrs. Labert reducted that fat his Sp. Have the printed at two of after points, the inter-University Lacrosse Association, as proposed at the annual meeting ed, mind you, that I died unmarried be magnificent mockery; "but permit me to magnificent mockery; "bu remind you that you are keeping this cause I couldn't get anybody to have me. successful, there will be no division of gentleman waiting," indicating me with Now look right at me; take your time. Do you think that possible?"

He was quite right; I was waiting, raising with one of the largest chairs the office in my outstretched hand,

there was the Duke of Anjou, a Frenchman. I didn't want him, but Le got horribly jealous of him. Then, of course, there was Leicester, there Phil Sidney, there was the Earl of Essex, poor, misguided boy, and lastly and leastly, my good friend Raleigh, here. "There's nothing like being in the

swim," quoth Sir Walter, blithely.
"But I thought too much of my coun try," calmly continued the Que g the interruption. them all, and prized them as friends to much to pain one by choosing another. I had to remove Essex's headpiece, but he drove me to it; he drove me to it she wailed, wiping away the shades of ept in sympathy.

"How about that cloak incident?" sked, feelingly.

What cloak incident?" she inquired. "Why," I replied, "that little affair on e street when you walked ac mud puddle on Sir Walter Raleigh

"Whew!" whistled Raleigh, "have they her smelling salts.

She wasn't disconcerted for long, how ciation for ladies, affiliated to the Union ciation for ladies, affiliated to the Union Club, don't you know, and as we are that, and quickly burst out with "What nterested in the crusade for the correcnonsense! tion of historical inaccuracies we are body believe that? Do the people agine that Raleigh wore a bridge about his form? That his pockets were full of pontoons? I happened to be on horseback at the time that incidsaid to have occurred, and la who had been out all night, offered throw his cloak in the mud if I would walk on it. I told him to go home and take an ice and some bromo-that's what I said, didn't I, Sir Walter?"

"I believe you made some such remark," responded her companion, shee

"Will you explain your quarrel with "No, I won't," she replied, snappishly. "Mary will be along, herself, at a Borgia banquet. I can assure these days and let her tell you. I scorn to hang our family linen on clothes line. If I hadn't added Mary's head to my collection she would hav had mine on her palace gatepost. But don't you think we had better move? to a picture of Cecil Rhodes.

"Why, yes," she exclaimed; "it's the look at their latest millinery. I would look at their latest millinery. I would she asked, turning to her courtier. "Please wait," I pleaded; "I would

"Yes," chimed in the knight. "He's like to ask Sir Walter a few questions. "Oh, never mind," he replied; "some other time. Besides, Bess has told you enough about me, I trow." "But what I wanted to ask, Sir Waler, was how does it feel to have you

head cut off?" I pursued, anxiously fol-"Will you be seated, Sir Walter?" I asked, offering the courtier a chair.
No, thanks," he replied, sunnily. "I "Go down to Taylor's mill and try it you at the Union Club," he added, ear

> "Yes, and me too, and-Lucretia Borgia," Elizabeth called back and then burst into a peal of laughter They had gone and Sir Walter had cleverly evaded my interesting que next provincial election, when Premie McBride will be politically decapitated. There is a difference, I know, but from

tical head will make engrossing reading. TO HAVE RETRIAL

Authorities Preparing For Another Hearing of Charges Against Nan Patterson.

New York, Dec. 24.-Nan Patterson's last hope of spending Christmas with her vanished to-day when District Attorney agree to a reduction of her bail. This will again be tried on the charge of murviously been fixed at \$20,000

When the district attorney made his statement, Mr. O'Reilly, of Miss Patter son's sounsel, said: "This surely means that there will be a new trial. We are anxious that it will

be called soon and will make every ef-fort to have it called as soon as pos-Afterward he said that counsel had decided not to attempt to get any bail unless the district attorney does not promise a speedy re-trial. Counsel, he said, believed the best place for Miss

Patterson was in the Tombs, as she had been so long there. The urgency for a new trial on the part of the defence was, Mr. O'Reilly said, due to the fact that the defence has found some new, and what they consider important evidence. Part of this, he said was the finding of some 32-calibre bullets in Young's trunk. Mr. O'Reilly said that Rand admitted the finding of

the bullets, but contended that they be longed to Mrs. Young. The news that she could not be admitted to bail was broken to Miss Patterson as gently as possible, but she broke down, after making a brave show of cheerfulness all day. Even though she knew she would have to remain in the Tombs over Christmas she had hoped she might be released on bail next week Miss Patterson seemed in much better condition this morning, both physically and mentally, than yesterday. only with the greatest effort that the hysteria following her last appearance in court was controlled, but she fell asleep about midnight and rested well. When she arose this morning, there was a sheaf of letters and telegrams awaiting her.

District Attorney Jerome announced trial will be hurried as fast as possible.

LACROSSE IN EAST.

Inter-University and Collegiate Associations May Combine.

New York, Dec. 24.-If the plans of may become one of the most popular of college sports. The amalgamation of the ciations has been talked of for some time, but the matter has now been placed n such shape as to give encouragement tions will work together. The object of e I would the coalition is to have uniform playing rules among the colleges of the East. The Inter-University Association is composed of Columbia, Harvard, Cornell

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CHAPTER I.

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room of one of the most l

ladies' clubs sat pretty Mrs and Lord Fennis Burt. A server would have labelled th as a typical Mayfair marrie some five years' standing, for ed between them that noncha ly tolerant intercourse which of Mayfair matrimony. But in-little, of which they forme figures, had decided long ago admit of any such roman fact of their cousinship mad radeship too ordinary a thin As for the world-in-large, it not at all, but went about barely pausing to chronicl of the tea-room the presence tirely idle people. Indeed, ness at this moment migh positively aggressive a the bustling, hustling, men who poured in and rooms, followed by sch patient husbands, by cavaliers, all laden it was the season just when a species of a reckless opening of p inseparable. On one d duchess was unfol new clock-work toy to a and close by a weary squiress was declaring to the had acquired twen Arks at cost price for mas tree. And so it nackages, knick-knacks, t Lists of shopping ed off at every tea-table, was the clatter of cups ar note, mixed and rasping, chatter, which even the ga gallery could not drown. away impatiently and su

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The Adventurers.

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

CHAPTER I. In an alcove of the rose-and-white tealines, we should be left alone and no
They stumbled now into a little flagged room of one of the most luxurious of ladies' clubs sat pretty Mrs. Deveney and Lord Fennis Burt. A casual ob-

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"Why can't one escape Christmas,

"Don't speak to me as if I invented it,"

answered her companion, lazily. "It was

invented for some good purpose, I suppose." His companion frowned.

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"You are pleased to be very cutting

Sidney, but as I know you well I will wait till you smile and ring for some

"Very kind of her grace, I'm sure

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"My household is having a fancy ball.

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ing taken away to the country, and visit-

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he added. irritatingly.

She looked wrathfully at him. "Pro-

per? I am sick of all this nonsense. If

I intended to marry you eventually should I allow the weekly papers to go

on putting in paragraphs about me to that

have definitely refused you."
"I didn't mean it that time," he

murmured, penitently; "I merely wanted

that we had both refused their invita-

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server would have labelled them at once as a typical Mayfair married couple of and bear with snapdragon. We will Somewhere overhead in the rambling some five years' standing, for there existed between them that nonchalant, polite | tham one person to bore us or to quarrel ly tolerant intercourse which is the mark of Mayfair matrimony. But the world-in-little, of which they formed important figures had decided long ago that these

two knew each other much too well to admit of any such romantic tie, and the admit of any such romantic tie, and the fact of their cousinship made their companion, and the second in an afternoon," said her companion, radeship too ordinary a thing for gossip.

As for the world-in-large, it heeded them not at all, but went about its business, the relative to barely pausing to chronicle in this corner of the tea-room the presence of two entirely idle people. Indeed, their idle simplest luggage—not more than four ness at this moment might present a positively aggressive aspect to some of the bustling, hustling, chattering wormen who poured in and out of the

rooms, followed by school boy sons, by patient husbands, by wearied attendant cavaliers, all laden with packages. For later, and in truth she looked it. There with our and my fingers are all that our back is broken and my fingers are all that our to the village and get bread and butter with our and our rooms. "I feel properly adventurous, Fen," it was the season just before Christmas, when a species of diseased activity and a reckless opening of purse-strings seem inseparable. On one divan a gay young duchess was unfolding the mysteries of a duchess was unfolding the mysteries of a ished from both faces.

The fact of the position due to me, as an officer's daughter with relations who go to court every year, if they choose! I'm dead beat—done. And a nice, happy Christmas to you, John." The sentence in the step with which she tripped once more along the dark lane. The marketing was not a long business. Lennis

squiress was declaring to a gossip that she had acquired twenty-four Noah's solitary Gladstone. You mean that for once you feel quit of your fal-lals," he said ironically.
"Perhaps. I'm like the heroine in the packages, knick-knacks, toys, were in the lair. Lists of shopping were being tick-'Princess Lointaine' when she drops her

ed off at every tea-table, and above all "We are all far too much 'harnessed to our kitchen furniture,' as one great to our kitchen furniture, as one great to our kitchen furnit note, mixed and rasping, of incessant chatter, which even the gay Czardas and waltzes of the Hungarian band in the person has put it," answered her escort.
"I congratulate you, Sidney, on suppressgot a clock for you with the money only gallery could not drown.

Mrs. Deveney pushed her tea-cup away impatiently and surveyed her

She pointed gaily to a single bonnet-"Fifine was furious; she said it was like a commis voyageur's baggage." She added, "But I didn't mind."

"I adore you," said Lord Fennis, ardently. "Really, if a woman can "Fifty" she scoffed. "And who is like here here age down to such dimen-

"Don't. That is irreligious. I detest bring her baggage down to such dimenthat mood. I don't mean the sions marriage could not be called a church festival. It's this to which I obt-this ridiculous fuss." Her gesture "The sixth time and the eighth refusal, cluded the suite of rooms, with the busy stream of ladies, page-boys and

> carriage." passengers seemed desirous to alight at the little station to which the two social trunnts were destined. Sidney's heart sank somewhat as she alighted and gazed upon the wintry landscape. Her long worship of the life of towns taught her to see in the present surroundings nothing but a dreary dullness.
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"Then you'd better refuse the invitation of your aunt, Lady Barr. You'll have a dose of it all there. Didn't her

letter invite you to the family festivities at Jerbury, with the prospect of three, generations together under one roof for fun and frolic? It sounds a heavy under-"Don't talk of it. You can go if you

"That will do, Fen," put in his friend, "Well, it may gratify you, then, to "How very annoying of you. She'll only think I prevented you."

"The house looks pitch dark," she "Another invitation to a happy family But could you stand that atmosphere for a week—bridge forbidden, snapedragon and prayers after, and only one "No, I can't Where are the other Her companion produced a sheaf of Chippendale chairs, and polished floors-"I shall refuse them all. Please make critical lady on and up the lane to the struck in cheerily: flagged pathway of the inn garden. In-I had to yield, for my maids bullied me so. Besides other people's retainers were

I've given them permission to dance in | yard. "There must be some mistake," he ordered quite a nice band for them. I said; "or perhaps they have got out of couldn't possibly stay in the house. But the way of using the front entrance in "you can't either of you be very cold in it's all dreadfully tiresome, for my winter. Twice, thrice he rang a bell at your splendid fur coats! Come in by all the back door, six time he knocked. | means, if you like, but the house is as Presently a faint shout made the two without her is excruciating. Do turn. The will-o'-the-wisp light of a |-only sticks. And I've scarcely any tea lantern came zig-zagging towards them and no bread—only some flabby biscuits. from a field in which a cottage nestled, Please come in!" Her tone grew more and presently a man hurried up, lifting and more sarcastic.

of a little gabled inn in Oxfordshire, the his lantern suspiciously. "You can't go in," he said. "There's sort of place where you have ale in "You can't go in," he said. "There's pewter tankards and the menfolk come bin an inquest and a funeral there," nd sit round the fire with you. I used nodding his head towards the house. "The poor fellow who took on this inn to go there as a school boy to fish on a near. It's as quiet as the tomb, some years ago married a second time, hearth a few sticks freshly lighted set and there'll be heaps of room. We can take the rooms by letter. We can dis- 1-ft him at Michaelmas. Last week he thoroughly damp. appear comfortably from all this," he shot him self, and now the house is rejoined, with a gesture inclusive of the closed till the lawyers can see about it. ney, encouragingly. "I am sure it would be quite It's you that telegraphed for rooms? There was no address, sir, so we couldn't

let vou know." "But where on earth are we to stay?" wailed Sidney. "Surely there is another fro, looking for the bellows to blow up inn—even a common 'pub' would do," the fire. Fennis took them politely from "There isn't a hole or corner-nothing This makes the sixth time I

A bright idea struck her.
"But isn't there someone who takes in lodgers-paying guests, you know?" o make sure that you wouldn't mind if The countryman scratched his head. hair, a handsome face, built rather on fine lines, but worn with suspense and the downs, about a mile off. It was not lined with irritation. Her dress was of much of a place, but they were gentlefolk, people in a bad way, he believed. No one knew much about them. Lassell was the name. He pointed out the turn-ing, lent Fennis his lantern, and the two were yet shapely, and she moved with started on their trudge. The lane was poise and grace. stony, steep and coated with ice. Mrs

"I like my adventures comfortable," she wailed anew. air, and Sidney Deveney actually suddenly found herself blushing.

"You're a dear old thing," she said, mollified; "and I don't care what Pamela and Aunt Barr think, Fen. I am sick

"Oh! come, there is always romance to compensate. Cheer up, we are close that of a laborer. A kind of horror, a shyness of mankind, showed in his face. They didn't come to see us "Never mind," she said; "you shall be she murmured."

"Oh! come, there is always romance to conduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like the Italian tongue. The argument beckers, gaiters and a corduroy coat like

of gossip. If we were in America, rackety, picturesque place, too-a sort of

even drag in Yule logs if necessary. At dwelling two voices carried on a heated "The pipe has burst. I told you it

see to it—and so it has happened just as I predicted." "'I told you so, I told you so!' Can you never forbear to say that, even once

a day?" thundered a man.
'I am glad it has burst," cried the woman. "I am glad. Now you will have to get your water from the deepest well, pailful by pailful, or break the ice in the rain-butts before you can find water enough to wash even those cursed paintbrushes of yours. As for getting in the to boil the water when you've drawn it I don't know how you will manage. I keeper, and we will just go and market if you will allow us. In the first place if you will allow us. In the first place brushes of yours. As for getting in fuel

"Don't I work as hard?" cried the man. "My fingers are so sore and stiff with chilblains I can hardly hold my 'cursed brushes,' as you call them. I haven't even a coat to cover me while I am toiling at those sheep studies out of doors. Last week you abused me as if I had been a hound because you thought "I congratulate you, Sidney, on suppressing even a dressing bag. And your trunk?"

She pointed gaily to a single bound.

London color firm won't send me any more without payment. I finished the picture. It's here. It's worth a round

going to give you fifty for that thing? Ranger is sick of you. And the other dealers won't offer you five pounds. Peo-ple are sick of English landscapes. If poor dear!" answered Mrs. Deveney, sweetly. "Kindly get the tickets, Fen, and see this labelled while I select our make no end. Why, they would bring make no end. Why, they would bring make no end. Why, they would bring the same its make no end. in a regular little annuity.

"Watering places! Little Nowhere-by-The wind was keen, and very few the Sea, views of the bandstand, bathing passengers seemed desirous to alight at machines, hotels, switch-back and funi-

nothing but a dreary dullness.

"Not even a fly! And the inn half a mile away," she lamented; "really, Fen!"

"I wired to them to bring a shay of some sort," he protested. "But the porters seem to know nothing about it. Come, take my arm and pretend you are a market woman. This is the beginning of our jolly old English Christmas—our 'adventure,' you know."

at my work. My hands show it! They scrub the common flags so that you feet may go in clean places, and polish and lay the common grates to warm and cheer you. They mend and scrub and cheer you. They mend and scrub and dig up frozen cabbages and cut the common flags so that you feet may go in clean places, and polish and lay the common grates to warm and cheer you. They mend and scrub and dig up frozen cabbages and cut the common flags so that you feet may go in clean places, and polish and lay the common grates to warm and cheer you. They mend and scrub and dig up frozen cabbages and cut the common flags so that you feet may go in clean places, and polish and lay the common grates to warm and cheer woman. "You poor child! I believe I understand your difficulties far more than you think. I've never been poor, but I have never been really happy. I have envied just those very women you describe—the women of the 'busy cradle' and the 'at your first slipping her wedding ring into a pocket—and went quickly up to the other woman. "You poor child! I believe I understand your difficulties far more than you think. I've never been really happy. I have envied just those very women you describe—the women of the 'busy cradle' and the 'at your first and the 'at your first and your difficulties far more than you think. I've never been really happy. I have neve

them. I'll walk you up on to the Downs to-morrow and show you three counties. Now we are going to turn into the little was a hurried consultation in the house. cul de sac where my old inn is. Hulle! Then a woman came to the door and they might have a lantern at their en-trance gate." looked upon her visitors, and her an-swer was curt and ironical.

"Paying guests? A don't know what "The house looks pitch dark," she raying guests: I don't allow there would be to pay for here!" She help me to get dinner ready, and let us voice. The painter's wife stood in the bit her lip and corrected herself. "We set those horried men to work. What doorway of the studio, two crimson spots there would be to pay for here!" She help me to get dinner ready, and let us doorway of the studio, two crimson spots are they doing? Smoking over the fire, of indignation in her cheeks; and behind up early, you know. Behind those curtained windows we shall find it all—the delicious old simple Christmas. No silly cards or little notes of greeting from the people who hate one like poison, or inpeople who hate one like poison, or in- tive, you know. They think so much of vitations which it's an infernal nuisance their environment—as they call it—"
even to read. Nothing except roaring She faltered. The tears were very near. wood fires, and Sheffield plate, and plain | The little pretence, the painful effort to conceal her circumstances after the and hot buttered cakes which we both adore so much!" And he coaxed the Sidney as infinitely pathetic. Fennis

"We should be the last to wish to disstantly from its kennel leaped a large turb you; but we are in such straits. black mongrel with a howl. It guarded We—er—my sister—and I—want to I had to yield, for my maids bullied me it was impossible. After its second onso kind to mine in Scotland last year, it would be best to go round to the inn in the main door, and every attempt to passes. It will be true charity if you will take us in."

"Yes, indeed," echoed Sidney; "we are it would be best to go round to the inn in the main door, and every attempt to passes. It will be true charity if you will take us in."

so bitterly cold, and so longing for some "Cold?" said the woman, sharply; cold as the outside air. There is no coal you, to Hunger Hall?' She led the way, laugaing hysterically, into a low square hall, brick paved and carpeted with the remains of what must once have been very beautiful Oriental rugs. a young wife, and she ran away and up a bluish smoke as if the wood were "How very picturesque it is!" said Sid-

> "It is a way Necessity has, I believe a sort of rude compensation. I have tried to learn that, at any rate, since my She moved nervously to and marriage." the fire. Fennis took them politely from her with a "Permit me." She found a candle somewhere, lighted it, and set it on a rickety Cromwell table. In its light r visitors beheld her more clearly slim girlish figure, with masses of dark the shabbiest and simplest description-a skirt of grey wollen, a loose bodice of some soft material in the same color.

"I will go and "Her sentence was Deveney sighed and murmured as she stumbled along on her cousin's arm, while he swore below his breath. was joined by a tall man, with untidy hair and fair beard, in woollen knicker-

The painter stood, half sulky, half painfully shy, by the rickety oaken table. Were first married," said the painter, Mrs. Deveney scrambled to her feet, painter stood, half sulky, half Then he managed to walk forward and make an awkward little bow.

"My wife is very—tired," he stammered. "She is very downright—please "Oh—" she beg

brother Fennis," she explained, glibly. "Please forgive us for intruding. If you "Please forgive us for intruding. If you fore and put all the canvases in the knew how thankful we are to see a best light."

of refusing me nine times, is neverthe less my future wife." "Mine leaks, except in three of the

rooms," said the artist, drily.
"And a fire," hurried on Mrs. Deveney. "And nothing to cook on it," added the man, briefly. It was just as if he had lapsed into his wife's manner.

ing was not a long business. Cennis struggled back with a basket of groveries, a boy followed with a barrow con-taining vegetables and meat, and Sidney arrived at the door proudly swinging a pair of ducks tied by the legs. The lady of Hunger Hall gave a little

gasp and took the ducks from her.
"You mustn't," she said. 'You mustn't stay here. It isn't fit. Look at your white gloves, and your earrings, and your lovely cloth dress." "I've another like it at home, so it

doesn't matter if it is spoiled," said Sidney carelessly—and then could have bitten her tongue off, for she saw how the other woman winced. "I had dresses once," said Mrs. Las-

sell, "and gloves and rings, too. I sold the rings to clothe John's studio with Eastern embroideries for his back-grounds. There was a day when I'd have sold my skin if I could have made John better canvasses for his pictures. How absolutely mad we women are, aren't we?" Again came the short, bit-ter laugh. "What's the use of deluging you with all this?" she cried again. "You don't know what that kind of blindness

is. You've never been married—in any case you would not marry a poor man. case you would not marry a poor man.
You'd have everything—everything I've not got—children and friends, good sernot got—children and got—children got—chi a rather sharper peal of laughter than usual. Sidney tossed aside her furs, drew off her exquisite gloves and all her two men. Fennis broke it with a jerk rings-deftly slipping her wedding ring and a sigh.

"You poor child," she said, taking her hands. "You poor child! I believe I understand your difficulties far more than the saw wonderlands she in the saw won But his wife—he makes a scullion of her? You make. fifty pounds? You make fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You make fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You fit he formally might have fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty here for her? You make fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty here for her? You have fifty pounds? You have fifty here for her? You have fifty here for shillings and pence go. I have my own money, and Fennis and I have a great many friends. We will help your husband to sell his pictures and I will— Good heavens, you might grumble if you lost your eyesight. But as long as line runs comfortable boats to Dawson No. don't grum phase don't why I No, don't cry, please don't. Why I the eyes so, and you are so young. you and complaining, and—"

"Fen, go and get some wood and make the fire at once!" The painter laughed awkwardly, and Fen flung his cigar meekly away. Within a couple of hours the rickety little manor was curiously changed. The hall was brightly lighted and heated, and filled with branches of ivy and yew. The oaken table was set and laid, and

for the domestic crockery that was lack-ing Mrs. Deveney had autocratically substituted odds and ends of picturesque pottery from John Lassell's studio. Cutery and plate were in the minority, it s true, and yet Sidney-Sidney, who little suppers at the Carlton and little dinners in Mayfair were the most ex-travagantly original and recherches of anquets-positively winked at Fennis across a Delft porringer over some nion soup, which she ate with a small out exquisite Japanese spoon. At the end of the meal she said, suddenly: 'I now understand why grace after meals was instituted. Fennis kindly

give thanks for the meal you very nearv did not have." And Fennis gave thanks, first to the Creator in Latin, and then in a more modern fashion to the two ladies. "How we shall sleep!" said Mrs. eautiful in its lattice, wall and beams And they did sleep and woke to a day

"I've no clothes for church-going." said Bridget Lassell curtly, when it was "We will go for a walk instead," said

like four children, and listened to the Christmas bells which came up from the own. valley churches, and spoke of holiday things—the roads and rivers, the meres, the birds, the old tales of the countryide which the painter had heard often from the country folk whom he met and put into his pictures. Moreover, he showed them lovingly the places where we are not wanted; we shall have to go e had "seen pictures," and how many away-back to the silly old world to he had still—unrealized—on canvas, till, which we belong. (This"—she pointed at the mention of that, his wife's face again to the studio door—"is the real grew bitter again, and she would have thing. These people are alive. They are burst forth but for Sidney, who flung fierce and tender, savage and heroic, the conversation quickly upon Italy, and primitive and living. We are nobodies, vowed that there was but one color in and we aren't happy." Her sentence the world—white—as you saw it em-bodied in a bleached wall of plaster or "I entirely reciprocate your sun-bathed beach of marble on the ments," he answered, gloomily: "and l Mediterranean, and but one language— the Italian tongue. The argument be-England and Italy grew so hot that at | not draw it away.

or your pictures, so you need not look so thunderstruck. This lady and gentleman want a lodging for a night or two. I have told them how little we have to give them in all ways. Perhaps they will change their minds, and go on elsewhere when they realize what board and You shall drive across frozen mountain Neither of them heard the studio do. while change their minds, and go on elsewhere when they realize what board and lodging here mean. But we cannot refuse to make some tea. You must help me. No—I think you had better do the talking while I boil the kettle." And she whisked away down the long passage again.

The please and spare you, dear." No there is the studio door passes to dip your hands in a blue lake under the burning sun. You shall find lemons growing in a trellis over your hands in a blue lake under the burning sun. You shall find lemons growing in a trellis over your head, and yet stoop at that same moment to pick flowers of the English springtime. Think of it?"

The please and spare you, dear."

slowly, and looked across at his wife. and Fennis cleared his throat.

The tears rushed into her eyes, the color into her cheeks.

and Fennis cleared his throat.

"What does this mean?" said the artist's wife. "Please come downstairs

"My wife is very—tired," he stam—mered. "She is very downright—please excuse hêr—I mean our—ways. You know our name, I presume. My wife did not tell me yours."

Fennis, when it came to the lie complex, lacked resource, and turned pite-ously to his companion.

"I am Miss Sidney and this is my brother. Fennis," she explained, gibly.

"In My wife is very—tired," he stam—into her cheeks.

"Oh—" she began. But she could not faltered, put her hand out timidly. Her husband gently drew her arm through his and walked ahead. The other two loitered artfully. After luncheon, which was merrily prepared by all four, there was due inspection of the studio, and this to inform you that this lady, who is my first cousin, and has done me the honor. time it was the wife who came to the first cousin, and has done me the honor

"Why your husband is a genius—an "Fennis!" said Sidney, indignantly.
English Millet," said Fennis. "My "We both of us have been deeply father has a private gallery over—at his Irish place. I suppose it's about the finest private collection in the island. I before. "In our cynical world such things want you to let me buy that picture, 'The Frosted Fold,' for him. Why, your husband's a genius!" he repeated.

The Frosted Fold, 'for him. Why, your husband's a genius!" he repeated.

The Frosted Fold, 'for him. Why, your husband's a genius!" He took Sidney's hand. Mrs. Lassell laughed. This time it She started up to protest, began inconwas a gay laugh, full of contemptuous tinently to tremble, and sank down again superiority, breathing the right species in her chair. "We have learned to envy of "I-told-you-so" spirit. And it was good to hear. "We still have to learn how to live-to-

A delicious studio tea was the next incident. And then came the hour before dusk changed to winter darkness—when the women nestled into oaken settees in the women nestled into oaken settees in the hall and the men smoked among the casels and canvases in the studio. In the dusk the women told one another many things—everything except that the pathens law nearest the heart.

The painter's wife tugged at her husband's sleeve, and her cheek brushed his tawny beard as she whispered softly: "Come away—beloved stupid—come away and leave them." which, perhaps, lay nearest the heart. And they came back at last to the great problem of life, and how to live truly which, sleeping and waking, agitates all women-and some men.

"You refused to go to your duchess's ouse party?" said the artist's wife, "I did-because she is dull, and her best friends are dull and ugly. All have the following to say concerning those who are not dull and ugly, but trade conditions in the Yukon: beautiful and amusing, try to be still

The total trade of the Yukon territory
funnier by being immoral—and that is

for the calendar year 1903, as shown by the dullest thing of all," said Mrs. Deveney.

"Anyway, it's not so dull and ugly as this life of mine. Look at it—hideous, low, mean, full of bickerings and quarrelling. John doesn't understand women. He is strong. He can stand the wear and tear, the hunger, the uncertainty. He has his beloved painting. I have nothing—but him. And sometimes I feel I haven't even that!" "You little fool! Do you know I envy you? Do you know—that's right, but put your head on my knee and cry now \$94,147; Canadian gold dust, \$10,204,064; the police lock-up a white handled knife.

if you like. Do you know yours is really the 'life beautiful,' and mine is the hide ous, mean, ugly life? Why, I sit and look on at you and feel I must clap my hands. I feel like a horrid, pampered, -" She ended in wild beasts, hunger and want, and—and of laughter than unkindness and roughness."

> "By Jove!" he said, "I envy you, Lassell. Life is so wonderfully simple.' "Deuced simple," said the other, with "Why man you ought to thank heaven,

> as you know. "What for?" snapped John Lassell. "For your wife, who does everything and arranges everything while you go

you lost your eyesight. But as long as line runs comfortable boats to Dawson you have this great gift—why, you ought in from three to four days. This com-

really ought to take care of yours. Please "Mr. Sidney!" said an authoritative a capacity of 3,500 tons. During the help me to get dinner ready, and let us voice. The painter's wife stood in the season of 1904 it handled 22,447 tons and "Really," began poor Fennis. "I only

wanted to-"I do not care what you wanted to say or do. It is scarcely good manners for a man like you, living in the lap of luxury

—a sybarite, I might say—to preach to my husband of original power-of-of Two steamboat lines, both American, great gifts. I won't have it. If you have any criticism to make you can between the men, to stand like an avenging angel with her arm thrown ingly around the back of the chair on which John Lassell sat, in a somewhat huddled fashion, helplessly murmuring gutturals.

ly to her friend, and pushed Fennis gent- dependent steamers, American and Candown the studio stairs. They sat at the head of the lower flight and chuckled. "We came to enjoy ourselves and be bored together, and we end by making | comfortable accommodations for passen two other people insanely happy,"

"That," said Sidney, "is altruism. You be your first acquaintance with it in the Gen. Corbin Sends Reports Regarding "Oh! come, I have wanted to try and make you happy ever so many times but you won't let me," he protested.

"Thank you. That makes practically the ninth 'No!' this winter. Perhaps you'll tell me what is your next move. "Oh-well we must go back to town by the first train.'

"We arn't wanted here." She pointed with a twinkle to the closed studio door above. "Our part in this little piece is "Well, let us have a little play of our

"On November 10th about 100 Pula-She did not answer. She only said, pensively, "How extraordinarily selfish people are when they are happy."

"Just now you were preaching altruism, and I don't know what else." joined in an attack on a detachment of 20 Philippine scouts at Oras, Samar. Killed: One hospital corps man; wounded, twelve Philippine scouts. Missing: five, said to have been boloed while in the river. All bodies were badly mutil-

"'Again, on December 16th, Second Lieut. Stephen K. Hayt and 37 men killed at Doleras, Samar.' 'First Lieut, Geo. F. Abbott request help from the military authorities town is threatened by one thousand Pulajones. The situation is critical. In both ernment all the assistance desired. As

yet there has been no acceptance. have seized us. Do you think we can be Vice-Admiral Lord Charles Beresford has been appointed to succeed Admiral Domville in command of the Mediter-"We are here in quite a false position," ranean squadron on May 1st.

"I quite agree," he concurred.
"I think we have done very wrong indeed in hiding our real names from these charming, guileless people," she went on.

> PENALTY INFLICTED UPON WM. HAMILTON

Magistrate Hall Commented on Serious Nature of the Offence - Evidence Was Very Clear.

William Hamilton was sentenced to three years' imprisonment in the penitentiary, by Magistrate Hall, in the police court this morning on the charge of wounding Wm. Maclaire by cutting. The prisoner strenuously denied his guilt to the end, but the evidence was quite clear against him, and in view of the serious nature of his offence he received the maximum penalty provided by the code.

Important evidence was given by Gunner Scully and Sapper Pindare, of Work Point. The former swore that he saw the two men scuffling in the Omineca saloon on Saturday evening, one of whom, Hamilton, drew the blade of a white-handled knife along the left side of Maclaire's throat. He then walked hastily from the room. Witness subsequently saw him cleaning a pipe with

the same knife.
Sapper Pindare did not see the scuffle in the saloom but observed Hamilton cleaning out his pipe with the knife afterwards.

Cross-examined by the accused, Gunner Scully said he was positive he saw him (Hamilton) draw the blade along his op-United States Consular's Reports Give ponent's neck. The knife was held in the right hand. He identified the knife produced as the one that was used. There was a big crowd in the bar.

Interesting Information.

Recent United States consular reports

the customs returns at the ports of Daw-son and White Horse, amounted to \$12,

509,894, the imports being valued a \$1,698,883, and the exports at \$10,811,

invoiced through this consulate for the

United States and Alaska, made up as

follows: American goods, \$184,684; Am-

erican gold dust, \$120,656; total Ameri-

miles, 196,327 being land and 649 water; the population is estimated at 12,000, of

the gold mined in the Saskatchewan dis-

trict was valued at \$292,946; in the prov-

ince of Ontario, \$2,086,946; in the province of Quebec, \$103,940; in the prov-

This company is under the Canadian flag,

but American capital is largely invested

on the lower Yukon river, between

St. Michael and Dawson-the Northern

steamers and barges, with a total net

steamers and barges, with a total gross

of the above companies there are 11 in-

the Yukon river. Some of these have

THE RISING OF NATIVES.

Massacre of Scouts.

Washington, Dec. 24.-The war de

partment was officially advised to-day by

Gen. Corbin, commanding the depart-

in Samar, in which one lieutenant and a

number of enlisted men of the Philip-

pine scouts were killed. The cablegran

"The Pulajones are on the warpath in

Samar in considerable numbers, as may

nes and several hundred volunteer

be judged from the following

ment of the Philippines, of the uprising

Exports to

\$486.941 merchandise.

the value of \$10,603,551

"If you saw me cut him, why didn't ou detain me?" questioned the accused. "Because you went out so quickly," the "You saw me outside. Why didn't you

give me to the police? Wasn't it your duty to inform the police?" pursued the 211. Of the exports, \$10,324,720 represented gold dust, and but

"I didn't think it was any of my business," the witness replied.

Detective Macdonald swore that in company with Sergeant Walker he arrested Hamilton at the Lighthouse saloon. On the way to the station the \$94,147; Canadian gold dust, \$10,204,064; the police lock-up a white handled knife total Canadian exports, \$10,298,211. and a razor were found in his pocket. With the exception of the gold dust, On the right knuckle and thumb were which went to the assay offices at Seattwo spots of blood. Hamilton was under

tle and San Francisco, all the American and Canadian goods were shipped down the influence of liquor when arrested.

Constable Harper also gave evidence the river to Eagle, Fairbanks and other towns in Alaska on the Yukon river. as to the presence of blood on the prisoner's hand.

The Yukon territory, which prior to 1898 formed a part of the Northwest territory, has an area of 196,976 square those of human blood. The witnesses cians, they were unable to say.

This closed the case for the prosecu whom 7,200 are Americans. It is purely a mineral country, and has produced tion. The prisoner, who declined to give since 1885, when the output of gold was first recorded, to the end of 1903, \$97,- upon James Rae, bartender at the Omineca, as witness for him. The lat-ter said he didn't see the quarrel and 063,500 in gold. During the same period | Om

noticed nothing until the prisoner went out of the room. He left in a hurry. ince of Quebec, \$103,940; in the prov-ince of British Columbia, \$40,545,398, and in Nova Scotia, \$9,318,984; a total There were from forty to fifty people

soldier who said he saw him (the accused) The prisouer then addressed a vigorous

use the knife was mistaken. pany operates, between White Horse and denial of the charge to the court, after which the magistrate summed up. The Dawson 12 vessels and five barges, with latter pointed out that the evidence in the case was very clear. Even setting Maclaire had no marks on him, but that There is a second, though much longer route, taking 23 days, from Seattle to Dawson, by way of St. Michael, Alaska.

Two steamboat lines. as soon as they separated, it was seen stealthily. The prisoner's own witness admitted that he (Hamilton) left the room hurriedly immediately after the scuffle. Other witnesses saw him scrap-Commercial Company and the North ing out his pipe with a knife that reAmerican Transportation & Trading sembled the one produced, which the acsembled the one produced, which the accused said was his. It was impossible Company. The former operates 22 for any jury, under the circumstances, to tonnage of 7,851 tons, and the latter nine arrive at any other conclusion than a conviction. The offence was so serious tonnage of 6,083 tons. Besides the boats | that he (the magistrate) felt it incumbent on him to inflict the maximum penalty provided for such crimes in the code. He sentenced the prisoner to three Dawson, and points in Alaska and on points in Alaska a

SENT TO JAIL.

London, Dec. 28 .- A. E. Craven, a cousin f the Earl of Craven, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin, formerly of New York, has been sentenced to twenty-one days in jail for a brutal assault on a fellow passenger on a train. The latter, while entering a crowded car, bumped against Mr. Craven's knee with his gripsack. Mr. Craven offensively demanded an apology, and upon receiving a refusal struck the plaintiff in the face. The magistrate in sending Mr. Craven to jail characterized the assault as most unjustifiable and most blackguardly for which a fine was quite in-

UNITED MINE WORKERS.

More Paid Up Members on Roll Than Reported to National Officers.

long investigation national officers of the United Mine Workers are reported to have discovered that there are on the rolls 10,000 or 12,000 more paid up members than have been reported to them This discovery explained the apparent loss of many members, which has dis to have been found that secretaries of some of the small divisions have failed to report all their members.

The crisis in Morocco is assuming markable aspect, leading the French government to consider all eventualities cluding the possibility and probability of the occupation of a chain of six or seven of the most important ports giving France control of the Moroccoan toms and communication with the outer world.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, December 21st to 27th, 1904. Weather conditions have been decidedly more winter like; at the close of the previ ous week a storm was approaching Vancou ver Island and warnings were displayed at ly developed and passed southeastward into Montana, it was speedily followed by another disturbance on our northern coast, of which also warnings were duly given the last mentioned gale continued for many hours and was of considerable intensity,

the wind attaining an hourly velocity of over 50 miles. The pressure continued low for several days, and weather condition were unsettled and cold. Snow and sleet fell here on Christmas day morning, but the weather gradually cleared, and Monday, though cloudy, was fair. On Tuesday a fresh disturbance appeared on our coast, the barometer fell slowly, and by nightfall indications were evident of an easterly gale, of which due warnings were given and by midnight the storm was in full

metric pressure were very marked, ranging expected that the from 29.32 to 30.42 inches. Moderate to heavy rain fell along the immediate coast from Port Simpson to California, and snow Mainland, and also en the mountain ranges day evening, when the nomination of of-

With the exception of one day, temperatures were about normal.

At Dawson, in the Yukon, the weather

Toom, and an informal banquet was held.

During the evening's business it was de-

abnormally high, reaching 30.76 more than once; precipitation has been light and the

cold intense, especially in Manitoba. At Victoria, there were 7 hours and 12 linky darkness Tuesday night. No electric minutes of bright sunshine registered; the lights were burning, and various civic highest temperature was 46.3 on 27th; and parties and institutions came in for pret-the lowest, 28.2 on 25th; precipitation, 0.28 ty strong criticism. The experiences of

on 25th; precipitation, 1.36 inches. on 21st; lowest, 12 on 25th and 26th; pre-

cipitation: 0.20 inch. At Barkerville, highest temperature, 30 on 27th; lowest, 10 below zero on 25th; the wheel of one's carriage suddenly. precipitation, 1.80 inch.

At Dawson, highest temperature, 8 below zero on 23rd, 24th and 27th; lowest, 33 be low zero on 26th; snowfall, 5 inches.



-The police have to thank George Snider for remembering them this Christ mas with a box of the fragrant weed.

-The returns of the Victoria clearing 27th, 1904, show the total to be \$441,185

-The funeral of Genevive Money too place from the parlors of W. J. Hanna on Monday afternoon, Rev. Father Fisser officiating at the Roman Catholic church and Ross Bay cemetery.

-All domations for the Cinderella ball which will be held at Assembly hall to morrow evening, will be received to-mormembers of the Daughters of Pity at the hall. Those who intend contributing will find a committee in attendance all day.

Lifebuoy Scap-disinfectant-is strongly nded by the medical profession a safeguard against infectious diseases.

Householders and license holders are be on hand and will furnish a select again reminded of the urgeticy of registering for the approaching municipal throughout will be strictly informal, and facilitate the registration the city asng for the remainder of the week from

An interesting junior Association football match will be played between the High school and St. Louis College teams at Oak Bay, commencing at 1.30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The St. Louis College eleven will be as foll Goal, McArthur (J.); full-be Campbell and Robins; half-backs, Locke, Knox and Smith; forwards, Swaney, McArthur (W.), Brown, John and Baynes. -Two large trees, loaded with present

for the little ones, provided the main attraction at the annual Christmas enter-

On Christmas Day Rev. H. J Wood, of the Reformed Episcopal church, united in marriage Mr. Dillo George Williams, of Whateom, and Miss sang in English, in one or two instances Elma Ellen Speer, of Taroma. The couple were supported by Miss Agnes Kelly and Mr. G. L. Mann, both of Taresidence of Rev. Mr. Wood, 76 Kane doved on the construction work of the C. P. R. foundations.

-On Monday afternoon an obstruction to traffic in the shape of a dead horse was removed from Oak Bay avenue. The dead animal had been lying on the street since Sunday, and a large number of Jorses refused to pass it, drivers having to turn around in many instances and return to the city. Had the horse been moved to the side of the road it would not have proved so great a amisance, but as it was left in the way of traffic con-siderable fault-finding has been heard.

What frayed your linen? Not Sunlight Soap-No, indeed!

EXPENSE sk for the Octagon Bar 233

Carter-Cotton, D. R. Ker and J. Bunt zen, will begin its sittings. It is under stood that the commission will sit in Vicoria alone. The purpose of it is to go into the subject of the assessment with the object in view of removing any nequalities in the taxation under ew act introduced last session. To do this it will not be necessary to hold sittings anywhere but in Victoria. It is not expected that the board will sit until

-Post No. 1, of the Native Sons, held both of this province and the adjoining ficers for the ensuing year were made, and at the conclusion of the meeting an adjournment was made to the supper room, and an informal banquet was held. At Dawson, in the Yukon, the weather has been chiefly fair and intensely cold, the highest temperature being 8 below zero and the lowest 36 below; 5 inches of snow fell on the 27th.

In the Northwest, the pressure has been abnormally high, reaching 30.76 more than

-Victoria's streets were in a state of many of those having occasion to be out At New Westminster, highest tempera last evening would fill a book. The ture, 40 on 21st, 23rd and 27th; lowest, 22 night, without exception, was the darkon 25th; precipitation, 1.36 inches.

Alt Kamloops, highest temperature, 36 to find one's teet in six inches of mud or to find one's teet in six inches of mud or stepping wide of the thin grey line which From a beautifully decorated tree Santa marks the boundary line of the sidewalk | Chaus presented a gift to each child at on such an occasion, or again on finding the school during the year. marks the boundary line of the sidewalk abruptly and alarmingly.

will visit Courtenay and other northern

viding for the compensation of property

nese school held their annual Christmas

friends last night in the rooms on Gov-

lanterns, ribbons, etc., and the programme as given by the boys was most

instructive. Several of them recited and

of the Chinese mission for the Presby-terian church in British Columbia, pre-

carried on. One of the Chinese mission-aries also spoke, and his quaintly ex-

pressed views on the war and kindred

topics were much enjoyed. Rev. Mr

Clay added a few appreciative words.

After the programme the boys entertain-

-In accordance with the time-honored

ed their friends to coffee and cake.

nts before leaving for the east."

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tab-lets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c. -"Among the arrivals here on Tues day was J. D. McLenman, who defeated -A new feature has arisen in the pro-Dan McLeod in a wrestling match at tevelstoke last week," says the Nanaimo Free Press. "'Our Dan' agreed to shrow Mr. McLennan four times in an

to this province.

vill reside on Hillside avenue.

-In a handball match played at the

Y.M.C.A. Wednesday between Messrs.

by a score of 21-4, 19-21, 21-17. As will

e seen by the score the game was close-

y contested. It was one of the best that

as been played on the court, and was

witnessed by a number of spectators.

ing Institute. His mame will go before the members to be ballotted on. Should

-The annual supper, ente and Christmas tree of St. Paul's Sabbath school, in Semple's hall, Victoria West,

on Tuesday evening, passed off most successfully. An excellent entertain

ment by the children, prepared under the

direction of Miss Mary Hutcheson, was

much enjoyed by parents and friends,

to the general public.

ceedings taken against the Central hotel, Nanaimo, on charges of gambling preferred by Rev. R. Hughes. Don Morri son, the bartender of the Central hotel, was arrested here on Monday. He was taken to Nanaimo Tuesday and arraigned before Police Magistrate Yarwood, our, but only managed to secure two falls. Mr. McLemannis an all-round athlete, and is paying a visit to John W. Graham, of the Hotel Wilson. Mr. McLennan represented British Columbia on the Canadian tug-of-war team during the charged with keeping a gambling house. He was admitted to bail. A charge of a similar nature will be laid against the Canadian tug-of-war team during the 50th anniversary of Queen Victoria's H. Wilkinson, proprietor of the hotel, coronation, and had the distinguished nor of being on the winning team. He

-Next Friday evening the boxing contest between Collie Hill, of this city, and Young Stubbert, of Tacoma, will take place in the Savoy theatre. It being an —A peculiar legal formality was carried out at Tuesday's meeting of the city est to the occasion. Both men are traincouncil. It appears that the by-laws pro-viding for the compensation of property of condition on the night of the contest. Old Men's Home were finally passed by the council some time ago. It was then decided that voting should take the

decided that voting should take place on January 12th. The act, however, provides that the time of notice of the ballotting shall not exceed atventy-one days from the date of the final passage of the by-laws. The council last evening, therefore, rescinded their previous action and finally passed the measures. This will give an excellent concert, commencing at S.45 o'clock. At 10 o'clock the young people will take charge and a social will be held in the service will be conducted, concluding at midnight. On Sunday special services will be held in the Spring Ridge leagues, will be special services will be seed tof decided that voting should take place on -A very interesting and profitable

success. Games will be provided and re-freshments served during the evening, Ure and Mr. Stephen Besustow, of Van- inspection of the interior of British Colagain reminded of the urgency of registering for the approaching municipal tering for the approaching municipal throughout will be strictly informal, and it is to be hoped that they will not neglect to do so. In order to the direction of the urgency of registering for the approaching municipal throughout will be strictly informal, and it is to be hoped that they will not neglect to do so. In order to the direction of the urgency of registering for the approaching municipal throughout will be strictly informal, and it is expected that a large number will take this opportunity of getting acquaint ed with the young people of the church.

The selection of the urgency of registering the urgency of the brider of the brider of the brider of the urgency of the urgency of the brider of the urgency of the urgency of the urgency of the brider of the urgency of "MY STOMACH GAVE OUT ENTIRE.

LY and I suffered untold agonies." This was the experience of Mr. D. G. Whidden, Postmaster, East Wentworth, N. S., after silk lace insertings and carnations. The profile strength of the supported by Mr. E. J. Ure. The bride's dress was of white silk voile, with beneficent, results to that country are silk lace insertings and shirmed and true. Postmaster, East Wentworth, N. S., after three attacks of La Grippe. Doctors and doses gave him no permanent relief, but Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets had the permanent virtue that won him back to perfect health—pleasant and harmless, but powerful and quick. 35 cents.—160.

The steward of the Marine hospital

Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets had the permanent virtue that won him back to perfect health—pleasant and harmless, but powerful and quick. 35 cents.—160.

The steward of the Marine hospital The steward of the Marine hospital a beautiful array of presents. They left that there, may be several hundred in atdesires to thank the following for kind on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver, Christmas gifts: Mrs. Dr. Hassel, plum cake; Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Cooper and

Mrs. Toller, decorations; the Daughters —At the regular weekly business meeting of Victoria Local, No. 2, Socialist party of British Columbia, held Tuesday of Pity, Christmas tree, flowers, pipes and tobacco; Mrs. Cameron, books; and tobacco; Mrs. Cameron, books; Misses Flummerfelt, French books; Col. Gregory, per Mrs. Hardie, tobacco; Hud-son's Bay Company, nuts and tobacco; Moses McGregor; vice-organizer, J. A. evening, the following officers were electtainment in Calvary Baptist church on Tuesday. The gifts were presented by the management of the Sunday school, a special prize being given those who had lost not more than one Sunday in attending during the year. Tea was served in the church at 6 o'clock, and two hours' later chur church at 6 o'clock, and two hours' later an excellent programme was rendered by the little folk.

P. Bell, oranges; R. Porter & Sons, turkey and goose; Times and Colonist, newspaper for the year; The Illustrated London News, from the manager of the Hamilton Powder Works, for the year.

T. V. Fisher; corresponding committee, H. Burnett and C. C. Williams; auditing committee, F. W. Garland and W. J. Yarrow; trustees, W. J. Yarrow; trustees, W. J. Yarrow; F. W. Garland and A. J. Renson, J. Reay was appointed Vic--The boys of the Presbyterian Chitoria delegate to the annual provincial convention which convenes at Vancouver entertainment for their teachers and on Saturday next. It has been decided by the Victoria Local to run a candidate the steamer had no right to even take ernment street. The rooms had been for school trustee at the coming muni- the Jefferson's passengers aboard in most tastefully decorated with Chinese cipal election.

-Court Northern Light, A.O.F., held very interesting meeting Wednesday, bay is about 450 miles north of this city the hall being crowded with members and affords good shelter. The Jefferson with wonderful clearness and with the curious Chinese inflection almost elimin-ated. Rev. Mr. Ewing, who is in charge and visitors to witness the presentation was at anchor after breaking the blades and visitors to witness the presentation by the court of a handsome Morris reclining chair to the threasurer, Bro. W.

P. Smith, as a token of appreciation of his services. During the evening three candidates were initiated members of the court. Nominations for officers were also received and the following officers elected by excelumetrion. Chief Present These are them that the court is that instance it was a matter of Ignoring the rights of a Candidate were incoming the rights of a Candidate were the court. sided, and gave some extremely interest-ing sidelights on the work which is being ed by seclamation: Chief Ranger, Thos.
Deakin: sub-chief ranger, C. Sanders;
treasurer, W. P. Smith; secretory, W. F.
Fullenton. The election of the other
officers and installation will be at the quanterly meeting on January 11th, when it is expected the district officers will be present and a social time held. Final —In accordance with the time-honored custom of the Y. M. C. A. everywhere, the local association will om Monday next observe New Year's Day by keeping "open house." The building will be decorated and an attractive programme prepared. Arrangements have already been made as follows: Two to 3 o'clock, handball in the empression: 2 to 6 recognitions. arrangements have been made for the Foresters' Christmas tree entertainment next Tuesday at the A. O. U. W. hall. There has been nothing decided yet handball in the gymnasium; 3 to 6, receptor to the date when the commission, contion by the ladies' auxiliary and the sharp, to be followed at 8.30 by distributions.

-Sheriff Richards is again in his office, tion of presents, and at 9.30 by a soci

-Mr. E. V. Bodwell, K.C., of this city and Mrs. D. F. Cowan, formerly of Van -Wednesday at the residence of the ride's mother, 96 View street, Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Frederick William Williams and couver, were united in marriage in Berk eley, California, Wednesday. Mr. Mrs. Bodwell will reside in Victoria. Sarah Ethel Pollard. The happy couple

sium class under Physical Director Waddington, bag-punching by O. Margoson; 7.30 to 9, musical programme; 9 to 10, exhibition of tumbling in 9 to 10, exhibition of tumbling in gymnasium (leader, L. Oliver). In addition to

A spur from the B. C Electric railway line on the James Bay causeway is being put in place. The line will be carried over the foundations of the new C. P. R. hotel, and the contractors will convey gravel-filling by the car line to be used in the foundations. The gravel will be get at the Spring Bidge pits and will the above there will be games and music all day. A cordial invitation is extended -The commission to inquire into asessment matters will begin its sittings bout a week after New Year's, probbe got at the Spring Ridge pits, and will be filled in about the cement pillars forming the foundation for the hotel. ably about Monday, the 9th. Various in-terests will be asked to bring their complaints before the board either by depu-

-The funeral of Mrs. T. F. Little wood took place from the residence Clure street, on Wednesday. gious services were conducted by Rev J. H. Vichert. There was a large attend-W. Northcott and W. Loveridge and Messrs. Cox and Morley, the former won ance of sympathetic friends and many beautiful floral tributes. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. No man, C. Palmer, Thos. Salt and J. Ack

—H. Mortimer Lamb has been nominated as secretary of the Canadian Minner Institute. His manner will an hefore

AMERICAN INSTITUTE TO VISIT PROVINCE

Party Will Travel by Special Train and Steamer to Alaska and Kootenays.

The American Institute of Mining Engineers has decided to hold its convention for 1905 in Victoria. There has been a movement on foot for this for some months back, but at a meeting of the executive officers held a few days ago at New York it was decided to make Victoria the meeting place with a trip Alaska and through the interior British Columbia in connection with the

ed here in 1903 will be carried out. This ormer trip to British Columbia and Alaska was cut off in consequence of the failure to make satisfactory transportation arrangements. This latter trouble has been overcome apparently, and the meeting place has been fixed for Vic-

This organization is recognized as the ost important body of mining men in le world. The decision to meet in this city and afterwards visit mining sections the province will afford an admirable opportunity to advertise the rich re-sources of British Columbia. The men who will compose the party of visitors are in close touch with capital, and are in a position to do a vast amount for the

At the Centennial parsonage Wednesday, Rev. J. P. Westman united in wedlock Mr. Samuel Frederick Racine and Miss Marguerite Inez Collins, both of Seattle. The bride was gowned in sparing no pains to make it a complete sparing no pains to make it a complete sparing no pains to make it a complete sparing trimmed with lace.

League, assisted by the Excelsion and Spring Ridge leagues, will be held in the school room on Saturday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. The room is being hand to work in an office, we amount with daynoement; steady employment; must be honest and reliable to work in an office, we amount with daynoement; steady employment; must be honest and reliable to the party north, calling at the Tread-town of Seattle. The bride was gowned in sparing no pains to make it a complete sparing no pains to work in an office, we amount with advancement, the party north, calling at the Tread-town well and various other points agreed to the party north, calling at the Tread-town well and various other points agreed to the party north, calling at the Tread-town well and various other points agreed to the party north, calling at the Tread-town well and various other points agreed to the party north, calling at the Tread-town well and various other points agreed to the party north, calling at t the way. Returning again to Victoria The wedding of Miss Irene Ethel about five days will be devoted to the

> tendance at the convention.
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> Public hodies and citizens generally will undoubtedly co-operate with the resident members of the Institute in making arrangements which will facilitate the visiting mining engineers in acquir-Columbia mines that it is possible to get.

THE SEATTLE FINED. Vessel Broke Canadian Regulations in Taking Jefferson's Passengers Aboard in Swanson Bay.

John Newbury, acting collector of cus toms, has imposed a fine of \$400 on the steamer City of Seatthe for picking up the passengers on the steamer Jefferson in Swanson bay early in November and carrying them through to Seattle without reporting at a Canadian port. The breach of law committed involved more than this, Mr. Newbury contending that case, he says, where the lives of the pas-sengers was a point at issue. Swanson

The fine makes the second of recent occurrence to be imposed on American steamers, the previous instance being that where the Al-Ki had become disabled in Menzies buy, the Cottage City and Humboldt giving her a tow when the same assistance was overlooked on the pant of a Canadian vessel.

MARKED INCREASE

A GOOD SHOWING IN

Term Over That of Previous

should be noted that the fall term of the best in the records of the loca in the city schools. Not only is this con ition displayed in the attendance per e recent entrance examination is ex mentary on the efficiency of the

1903, 88.99; September, 1904, 93.15; Oc tober, 1903, 87.61; October, 1904, 92.97; November, 1903, 89.43; November, 1904,

The question of school accommodation will continue to face the trustee board until the congestion is relieved by the provision of new quarters. It is now two years old, and is of no less import ance at the present time than it was then. Good educational doctrine is opposed to more than 35 or 40 in one class room, but in Victoria schools the aver dyantage of the province. Nothing hould be left undone to give them every protunity to see the varied mineral repupils, several apartments in the North Ward school being illustrative of that

oria will meet this evening and take the reliminary steps towards arranging for parative attendance returns for the various months of what must be regarded as

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October 2,705	2,739	34 176.54	
November 2,644	2,738	64 166.48	
December . 2,527	2,627 1	00 150.74	

AN EXTRAORDINARY BUY. Very Tiny Piece of Land, But It

Came High.

Who said real estate? What slanderer was it who ventured the remark that reality prices might be better? Why, there is in this favored community a piece of land so valuable that it would make even an Astor, the prince of real estate investors, turn a vivid green with envy. It is but a small piece of soil, this alluvial lump of treasure, but it is apparently worth its weight in the yellow pediment to obtain. This lot of flabulous price is situated in Spring Ridge, and it wasn't until Wednesday that the civic officials became aware that it was dif-ferent from the common, every-day plot of earth around it. And lit is not a store-house of precious metals, its soil is of the same geological composition as the com-moner stuff in other lots, but despite these facts, precisely one-two thousand and forty-minth part of an inch of it was sold for \$16.54, and the purchaser was

taxes. The sale generally was the smallest in the history of the city, and were it not for the phenomenal circumstance ateet, the sum of \$16.54 was due for taxes. Now, the principle of a tax sale is to hand over the smallest fraction of the land that a purchaser will take for the taxes, and of course this is determined by competition. The contest for the par-ticular section referred to was more than interesting; it was warm. The competitors were Thornton Feil and A. W. Jones, representing, respectively, clients who had interests in the property. When the sale was opened one of them offered to take the whole twenty-three feet frontage for the amount of the taxes, \$16.54. The other said he would take twenty-two feet. The first retaliated by offering to be satisfied with twenty-one. Then followed alternately twenty, nine teen, eighteen feet, and so on, until the scale became so fine that only an inch was left. Here, thought the officials, the contest would stop. It would be most impossible to see more than an inch. But the two agents were full of the excitement and ardor of the battle. the excitement and ardor of the battle. To them the inch looked as big as a mile, and they went still faither along the graduated line. Eventually they got down to one-tiwo thousand and forty-ninth part of an inch, and then they stopped. Mr. Jones was unable to see further, and Mr. Fell won out. On this

IN ATTENDANCE

THE CITY SCHOOLS

Particulars of Improvement in Last Fal

Supplementing the school attendance tatistics appearing in another column nich expired with December was one school systems. The report furnished by the city superintendent shows a very gratifying regularity percentage, indicating that either the weather has been better or the parents have manifested as greater degree of interest in the educa-tional welfare of their children than in the past. This does not imply that the showing for previous terms was unsatisfactory, but it shows a marked progress centages, but it is also exhibited in the scholastic results. The showing made by the candidates for the High school in cellent, in fact one of the most favorable for the midwinter test in the history of the place. A Victorian was first in the province in aggregate marks, while apother pupil of this city was third, second place going to Vancouver. For several terms now this honor has fallen to pupils of the Capital City, which, with the number passing, affords a convincing

There is no question that there has been a substantial increase in the school attendance, notwithstanding the assertions to the contrary in certain quarters The figures provided by the city superin tendent are based upon actual fact, and prepared by one whose duty it is to know vhereof he speaks. The number attend ng in August, 1903, was 2,568, and the same month this year it was 2.656 the increase being 88. The increase in the average daily attendance for August was 324.67. These increases have prevailed to a variable extent throughout the entire term, each month showing a ponding period in the previous term. The which is really the increase in the daily verage attendances in another form, can be estimated by a comparison of the following: August, 1903, the percentage was 86.77; August, 1904, 96.; September,

92.44; December, 1903, 90.92; December, 1904, 93.14.

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October	2,705	2,739	34	176.54	
November	2,644	2,738	64	166.48	
December .	2,527	2,627	100	150.74	

pretty eager to make the transaction at

Wednesday at noon Chas. Kent, city treasurer, conducted the annual sale of day. When it was learned that he had property on which there were arrears of left, Mayor Manson was communicated done. Mr. Simpson held that he had been overlooked altogether, and refused to have anything more to do with the much public interest. On this property, twenty-three by one hundred and four Frank Higgins, who was in the city, which he did. Port Townsend, Dec. 29.—The ship S HIGH TIDE AT NANAIMO. and warehouses, destroying a large quantity of flour and other perishables. The water reached the main driving wheels

from Colds

Quaker Brand Vegetables

We have just received a carload and are selling them at the following prices:

Tomatoes, tin	15C
Corn, 2 tins	25c
Standard Peas, tin	IOC
Early June Peas, 2 tins	25C
French Peas, 3 tins	5oc
String Beans, 2 tins	25c

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The Independent Cash Grocers.

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Carried and the contract of th	1
GERMAN BREAKFAST CHEESE, each	
CANADIAN CREAM CHEESE, each.	
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McLAREN'S CHEESE, per jar	

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purchaser will have the consolation de-rived from the knowledge that it is there, It is what might be regarded as a very fine site for an air castle.

GAMBLING CASE. Nanaimo Hotelkeeper Released on Suspended Sentence-Police Management to Be Investigated.

The gambling case in Nanaimo has The editor of an Oldenburg paper has been concluded. The Times correspond-ent in that city sends the following dis-"The Central hotel gambling case was

disposed of this morning.

son, the bartender who was arrested in victoria, was fined \$25 as a player. he became chief public prosecutor in Harry Wilkinson, the proprietor, plead-ed guilty to keeping a gaming house. At He declared that since 1895 he had play the request of Frank Higgins, acting for ed only "skat," and sometimes concluded the city, Wilkinson was released on suspended sentence. It is understood that one consequence of the case will be an investigation by the police commissioners, in which Chief Crossan will be the defendant." In explanation of Frank Higgins, of

and that the minister had therefore not this city, taking up the prosecution, there is an interesting story, Rev. R. B. Hughes, who laid the information, disgambled since 1895. agreed with J. H. Simpson, the counsel authorized to conduct the case. Rev Mr. Hughes expressed a desire to hav the men accused of conducting the gaming nouse arrested on Saturday, ing that they might leave the city. Mr. Simpson thought this was unnecessary, and did not approve of doing so the day before Christmas. The matter was settled by Mayor Manson referring the whole conduct of the case to Mr. Simp-

Don Morrison, the bartender in Central hotel, came to Victoria on Mon-day. When it was learned that he had with, and he gave instructions to have the arrest of the man made. This was done. Mr. Simpson held that he had

was therefore asked to take up the case,

ASHORE AT BELLINGHAM.

D. Carleton dragged ashone at Belling-ham during the storm this morning. One tug was unable to pull the vessel off. and been called on for assistance.

Nanaimo, Dec. 29.—This morning the nighest tide in ten years flooded wharves

next Tuesday at the A. O. U. W. hall.
The enteritainment by the children will be novel and interesting, consisting of a juvenife minstrel troupe, the parasol brigade, the patriotic band, and other items, which will commence at 7.30 sharp, to be followed at 8.30 by distributions.

Are numbered by Millons, not including functions was unable to see further, and Mr. Fell won out. On this basis the land would be worth between five and six million dollars, or about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars which will commence at 7.30 be followed at 8.30 by distributions. It will probably take time, but the disease in 30 minutes.

FOR SALIE—Pure bred Guernsey bull, 24, years, from best stock in Canada, \$180; strong team general purpose horses, \$240; fifteen tons good hay. J. Legh, Salt Spring Island. EDITOR SENT TO PRISON.

ccused German Cabinet Minister of Being a Gambier-Latter Only Played Poker.

of justice of the Grand Duchy of Oldenburg. The libel was contained in an ardisposed of this morning. Don Morriticle accusing the minister of being a 1895, he abandoned the perilous pastime. an evening with a game of poker. A learned discussion followed as to whether poker was a game of chance. The presiding judge, in pronouncing judg-

SCENTS INDUCE ASTHMA.

Some astonishing details as to the causes of asthma are given in the December number of the London Practi-

In one case asthma was brought on by contiguity to cut flowers, in another by the smell of cheap scents, and in a third by that of sulphur matches. In another case a medical man always found himself. attacked by asthma when he visited house where there was a cat, and did not finally recover until the cat died. Other instances are given in which pigeons, anaries, and thrushes caused asthma to the owners, and one in which the malady was always brought on by the smell of

ACCEPTS PROPOSAL. Gr. McNamee Agrees to Side Bet in Match With Prof. Hornbuckle.

Replying to the request of Prof. Hornbuckle that a side bet of \$50 be staked before the details of his proposed twentyround heavyweight championship con. test with Gr. A. McNamee, R. G. A., of Work Point garrison are arranged, the

To the Sporting Editor:-With refernce to Professor Hornbuckle's demand for a side bet for \$50, I am willing to wager that amount or more if necessary. If the professor is frightened of a poor ouse in Victoria with a "service man will make the side bet greater.

Royal Garrison Artillery.

DUHAMEL-At Nelson, on Dec. 24th, the wife of Joseph Duhamel, of a son. MARRIED.

RICHARDSON-LUFF—At Vancouver, one Dec. 27th, by Rev. W. E. Pescott, John Richardson and Miss Katle Luft. THOMPSON-GOULD—At Nanaimo, on Dec-24th, by Rev. R. Bowen, C. Thompson and Miss Jane Gould. DIED.

MASON—Entered into rest on the 29th December, 1904, Sarah Emilie Mason, aged 51 years, beloved wife of George Edward Mason, late of Montreal and Hamilton.

ARCHAMBAULT—At Nelson, on Dec. 24th, Eugène Archambault, aged 24 years.

CHRISTMAS TRAI

NO FALLING OFF IN THE BUSIN

The Market Prices Show Change From Those of -The Quotation

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Enderby, per bbl. .. B. C. Granulated, per 100 Pastry Flours-

Enderby, per sack

Snowflake, per sack Snowflake, per bbl. O. K. Best Pastry, per sa O. K. Best Pastry, per bb O. K. Four Star, per sach Drifted Snow, per sack . Drifted Snow, per bbl. Three Star, per sack . Coal Oil-Pratt's Coal Oil

Eocene .. Oats, per ton Oatmeal, per 10 lbs.... Rolled Oats (B. & K.)

Hay (baled), per ton . Straw, per bale . Corn Middlings, per ton Ground Fred, per ton .. Carrots, per 100 lbs. ...

Vegetables-Island Potatoes (new), 100 Sweet Potatoes, per Ib. . Cabbage, per Tb. Onions, silver skin, per I Carrots, per ID. Turnips, per Ib.

Salmon, spring (smoked) Haddies, per tb. ... Salmon, per lb. .. Cod, per Ib. Halibut, per Ib. ... Kippers, per ID Bloaters, per ID. . Rock Cod Bass Shrimps, per 1b. . Herring, per ID. Fresh Island Eggs Butter (Delta Creamery) Best Dairy

Cheese (Canadian) Lard, per Ib. Meats-Hams (American), per ID. Bacon (American), per l Bacon (rolled), per 1b. . Shoulders, per Ib. ... Bacon (long clear), per I Beef, per Ib. Veal, per lb. ... Pork, per Ib. Veal, per lb. Mutton, per lb. Lamb, hindquarter

Butter (Cowichan Creamer Butter (Victoria Creamer

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Sultana Raisins, per ID. Poultry-Dressed fowl, per lb. Ducks, per Ib. deese, per 10. Turkey, per Ib. . Game-Grouse, per pair . Mallards, per pair eal, per pair

Widgeon, per pair Pin Tails, per pair . Canadian Geese, per pa WHOLESALE !

Potatoes (new), per ton Onions (local), per Ib. . Carrots, per 100 lbs. Cabbage, per 100 lbs. . Lettuce, per crate Butter (creamery), per Eggs (ranch), per doz. Chickens, per ID. ... Ducks, per In. Apples (local), per box Oats, per ton ... Pens (field), per ton Barley, per ton Reef. per m. . Mutton, per Tb. Honolulu Pines, per doz Pears (table) Pears (cooking) ...

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CHRISTMAS TRADE HAS BEEN GOOD

NO FALLING OFF IN THE BUSINESS DONE

The Market Prices Show Very Little Change From Those of Last Week -The Quotations.

The present week will mark the close of what is essentially the holiday trade. With its completion business resumes the regular trend.

Bananas, per bunch

Oranges (navel)

Oranges (seedling)

Grape Fruit, per box

LOCAL SYSTEMS IMPROVED.

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-Street Lighting.

INTRODUCING STOCK.

Eastern Canada By G. H.

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and grand-dam were reserve champions

animal. Besides, there are some pure

A PROVINCIAL EXHIBIT

Association Has Matter in Hand.

The Tourist Association is addressing

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 22nd, 1904.

27:00 Proposed For Portland Fair-Tourist

1.50 at London. A two-year-old Clyde filly, Lorothea, by Up-to-Date, is another fine

and other classes of stock.

1.40 sold in this province.

28.00

30.00

Lemons

The wholesale and retail trade during the Christmas week is reported to have been quite up to that of former years. Spanish Grapes, per lb. Dealers have experienced no diminution in the output, and in many instances merchants have reported that the sales have been increased over that of the B. C. Electric Railway Company's New

past years.
With Christmas coming on Sunday it is explained that the holiday trade in the grocery stores was extended over the preceding week, instead of being confined to two or three days immediately before

The markets this week show very little change from the prices quoted last week. Oranges have been reduced in price, and lettuce has taken an advance in rate. The retail prices are as follows:

Hungarian Flour-Ogilvie's, per sack 1.75 the smaller generators to providing pow-6.75 er exclusively for the cars.

The new plant generates sufficient elec-Ogilvie's, per bbl. Ogilvie's Royal Household, Lake of Woods, per bbl. Okanagan, per sack Okanagan, per bbl. Moose Jaw, per sack Moose Jaw, per bbl. 6.75 prove of an appropriation for enlarging 1.75 the local plant or to handing the contract Excelsior, per sack Excelsior, per bbl. 6.75 to an outside company. Oak Lake, per sack Oak Lake, per bbl. Hudson's Bay, per sack 6.75 Hudson's Bay, per bbl. Enderby, per sack 6.75

Enderby, per bbl. B. C. Granulated, per 100 lbs. Pastry Flours-4 15 Snowflake, per sack Snowflake, per bbl. O. K. Best Pastry, per sack. O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.. O. K. Four Star, per sack... O. K. Four Star, per bbl....

Drifted Snow, per sack Drifted Snow, per bbl. Three Star, per sack Three Star, per bbl. Coal Oll-Pratt's Coal Oil Bocene Wheat, per ton

Rolled Oats (B. & K.) Hay (baled), per ton Corn Middlings, per ton Bran, per ton

Ground Feed, per ton Carrots, per 100 lbs. Vegetables-Island Potatoes (new), 100 fbs. Sweet Potatoes, per Ib. Cabbage, per Tb. Onions, silver skin, per Ib.... Carrots, per ID. Turnips, per ID.

Lemons (California), per doz.

Oranges (navel), per doz

Oranges (Japanese), per box..

Bananas, per doz

New Jordan Almonds (shell-

Valencia Almonds (shelled),

per ID.

Sultana Raisins, per ID.

Dressed fowl, per Ib.

Turkey, per ID.

Grouse, per pair

Mallards, per pair

Teal, per pair

Widgeon, per pair

Canadian Geese, per pair ...

Potatoes (new), per ton

Cabbage, per 100 lbs.

Lettuce, per crate

Butter (creamery), per ID.

Eggs (ranch), per doz.

Apples (local), per box

Hay, per ton

Pens (field), per ton

Oats, per ton

WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Chickens, per 1b. 121/202 20

Ducks. per D. 121/202 20

20.00

1.75

Pin Tails, per pair

Valencia Raisins, per Ib. 12@

ed), per Ib.

Poultry-

Apples (local), per box 1.00@ 1.25

Meats-

A. J. Baxter, Esq., Secretary Tourist Asso-Salmon, spring (smoked) Haddles, per ID. ciation, Vancouver, B. C.: Salmon, per ID. Halibut, per Ib. Kippers, per lb. Bloaters, per Ib. Rock Cod Bass Shrimps, per lb. Herring, per Ib. Farm Produce Fresh Island Eggs Butter (Delta Creamery)

Butter (Victoria Creamery) ... Cheese (Canadian) Lard, per Ib. 121/2@ Hams (American), per ID. ... Bacon (American), per ID. .. Shoulders, per ID. Bacon (long clear), per ID.... Beef, per 1b. Veal, per lb. Pork, per Tb. Mutton, per ID.

11@ 15 communicating with other associations up-121/2 on the Mainland on the same lines. 121/00 18 We shall be willing to arrange for a Lamb, hindquarter 1.50@ 1.75 deputation from here to join with one Lamb, forequarter 1.00@ 1.50 from your association to press the matter if your association thinks it is necessary. Yours faithfully,

HERBERT CUTHBERT. Secretary. Judging by the following reply of the secretary of the New Westminster Association the Mainland people are keenly

desirons of having a representative exhibit at the big exposition: Victoria, B. C. Dear Sir:-Your letter has been received good time, as the matter is being thor-200 25 oughly discussed among our merchants, who appear in favor of having this province return match. The Victorians are trainrepresented at the Western World's Fair. ing steadily in preparation for the strug-When the opportunity presents itself for such a splendid means of advertising the and all players will be in exceptionally

resources of our country it should not be fine condition. thrown down without considerable consid-Your letter will be laid before our next executive meeting, and I have no hesitation 1.00@ 1.25 in in saying that your suggestions will be taken up and followed until an exhibit is placed on the fair grounds that will do the wince credit. This seems to be the Nanaimo 1

spirit here at present.

ELENOR W. JOHNSON. Secretary. Several interesting communications formers regarding the suitability of the strict for sheen raising. These were in renty to letters sent by the association seeking information on the subject. A number of letters from England. Call fornia and the middle states, asking for win the coveted trophy Victoria-United



WHICH WAS PLAYED AT TERMINAL CITY MONDAY

Victoria Defeated by Three Tries to Nil -Local Players Put Up a Fine Game.

..... 3.50@ 4.00 The championship Rugby match be tween Victoria and Vancouver at the Ter minal City on Monday was wen by the latter, the score being three tries to nil. Members of the local fifteen lined an against the Vancouver stalwarts on Mon day morning at Brockton Point. Play commenced at 10 o'clock, there being only a few enthusiasts in attendance.

From the start the contest was exciting. The Victoria team justified what has been said by the Times as to its increased strength. They put up a splendid struggle against the formidable team that had been collected by Capt. Since the installation of the new 1,000 K.W. generator at the Goldstream sta-Worsnop of Vancouver. Time after ame the Terminal City touch was threattion the B. C. Electric Railway Company has been able to give a much imened, and it was only because of the ex-ceptional strength of the opposing deroved lighting and railway service. The addition of mis machine, which has fence and a certain amount of hard luck that the Victorias failed to score. There operated satisfactorily ever since it was formally set in motion by the local manwasn't much advantage on either side throughout the initial period. Victoria ager, A. T. Goward, several weeks ago, has made it possible to devote two of had the ball as much in their opponents territory as the latter in the other half of the field. Both teams fought stub-bornly, contesting every inch of ground. tricity for the local lighting system. In fact there is now more power available Before the whistle blew, however, Van-6.75 than is needed, and an effort will be made couver managed to score, Springer carrying the ball over the line. The attempt by the company to secure the contract to convert was a failure.

from the corporation for the street lighting. The increase in the demands upon In the second half the fight was even 6.75 the city power house has made it neces-1.75 sary for the city council to either ap-again and again to penetrate the Terminal City defence only to be repulsed. When the Vancouver fifteen worked the ball towards Victoria's goal the latter defence proved equal to the test. They sent the Terminal City fifteen back and kept them from the danger zone very successfully, Finally, Flood managed to reach the line and a fry was awarded Vancouver by Referee Woodward. It is claimed by Capt. Macrae and all local Imported Animals Brought Out From players, and even acknowledged by some of the Vancouver men, that this and the G. H. Hadwen, of Duncans, has returned from a trip to Ontario and Que-bec. He brought out with him a choice following point were not touched down fairly. A protest was made but the lot of horses and cattle which have been referee held to his ruling. Whether or not the dispute was justified, the fact 5.50 Among the animals is a fine hackney stallion, Torrington Magnifico. This stallion, Torrington Magnifico. This game. It is stated, however, that later 6.50 two-year-old, whose great grand-dam

bred Jerseys and Guernseys from the Massey-Harris herd and from Hon. game. Sydney Fisher's farm at Knowlton, Que. There are also some choice sheep The local players returned by the steamer Princess Beatrice yesterday evening, having left Vancouver immediately after the match.

on a good Vancouver try was disallowed,

is most unsatisfactory to both teams, and

will be appointed for the next league

-0-MONDAY'S MATCH

Describing Monday's game between Vicoria and Vancouver at the Terminal City, which was won by the latter team, the itself to the question of a provincial exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair at Advertiser says: score being three tries to nil, the News-

sent to the Vancouver, New Westminster and Revelstoke Associations, and the Nanaimo Board of Trade. Following ing is a copy of the letter:

"The visitors were not expected to make much of a showing against the champions, and anticipations in this respect were fully realized. At times the Victoria men gave a brief exhibition of almost belliant. but their team work was woefully weak. The three-quarters never had a chance to handle the pig-skin other than in kicking In this style of play they figured quit Dear Sir:-Our executive for some time prominently, in fact, they relied too much has been urging upon the provincial govern- upon their kicking ability and so missed ment the importance of the province being several opportunities. The visitors put their properly represented at the Western strongest team in the field and were a World's Fair, to be held at Portland in husky and dangerous looking lot, but they at Oak Bay. The score was four goals to feated by 1 to nil. 1905. It seems to us that there never was lacked dash and combination. Once or two in favor of the Victoria United, and a better chance to advertise the resources twice the visitors broke through the Van- the game was closely contested throughout.

at this fair. I have been over their grounds always saved.

and know something of the excellence of "The teams set a hard pace at the start, the coming exhibition and the executive but it, was altogether too fast, and its efern province of this Dominion, should be the first half, the play was fairly even and

I am instructed by the executive to ask erratic work in the three-quarter line. your co-operation and to urge upon you that you seek the aid of other bodies whom you con the visiting team, and worked like victoria West eleven. Play had continued the ball. believe will be interested in impressing a Trojan throughout. Cornwall was in for some innutes when a penalty was upon the government the necessity of an good form and worked incessantly from awarded Victoria United, and H. A. Goward adequate exhibit being arranged. I am also start to finish. Bell, Scholefield and the start to finish. Bell, Scholefield and the Gillesple and Newcombe brothers all made a pretty left wing shot. Therefore the some splendid plays, but they kicked too often and might have done better had they tried some combination work."

> ___ VANCOUVER v. NANAIMO.

On Monday next a provincial league natch will be played between Vancouver and Nanaimo at the Terminal City. According to Vancouver papers arrangements are being made to run an excursi from Nanaimo so as to accommodate the large crowd of Coal City enthusiasts who wish to see the match.

VICTORIA v. VANCOUVER.

___ THE LEAGUE STANDING. The standing of the provincial league fol-Won, Lost, To Play, Pts.

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SATURDAY'S GAME. The Garrison and Victoria-United at Oak Bay. This will be the fourth time particulars concerning this city and Van-conver Island, were read. must defeat the soldiers in the forth-coming contest. If it results in victory



The Chilliwack team is noted in Mainland football circles as being one of the pluckiest of the league. Although so far they have not taken a leading place, every player goes into the game in the proper spirit, and the best elevens always look for a struggle when scheduled to meet the indomitable Chilliwacks. With training, the latter will make one of the best teams of the Mainland association.



VANCOUVER CELTIC ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL TEAM. The above is a picture of the team mentioned after a hard league game with the Chilliwack eleven. Among the players Victoria enthusiasts will notice at least one familiar figure—that of Ed. Whyte, formerly one of the most prominent local devotees of the popular pastime. He was on the Y. M. C. A. team last winter, and previous to that belonged to several first-class intermediate and senior teams. Having taken up his residence at Vancouver for a time, Mr. Whyte joined the Celties, and is now a valued member of that team. This team is one of the strongest aggregations of the Mainland league. The struggle for championship honors is between the Celtic and Shaurrock teams, the former having the very slight advantage of two points. This is offset to some extent by the fact that while the Shamrocks have played ten games their rivals, the Celtics have only contested nine. Under the circumstances it is not improbable that the Celtic team will win on the Mainland and be required to meet the Island champions for the provincial championship.

5.50 class, which has within recent years be come so popular as carriage horses, has never been introduced into the West unstantiation. The validous of this before the shows very little in favor of either. The Garrison players are the better organized. They have more spare time for game. It is stated, however, that later shows very little in favor of either. The practice, and on that account show bet ter combination among the forwards and evening matters to the extent of one point. But such a method of refereeing greater steadiness on the part of the half-backs and full-backs. The forward division, however, has been considerably it is to be hoped that a neutral official weakened by the loss of Clinch, the fast left wing player, who has returned to the

Old Country.
A glance at the Victoria-United line up shows improvement. H. A. Goward (captain) and B. Schwengers are playing full-back, and those who are acquainted with these players know what that means. Both are fast, reliable and, above all, splendid kicks. It will be difficult for the soldiers to penetrate this defence. As Lorimer (S.) will now be available for either the half-back or forward line these divisions will be much faster than

The present standing of the clubs fol-

0 mi - 0 --AT OAK BAY.

An interesting sentor league game was played between the Victoria United and and possibilities of British Columbia than couver forward line, but the local backs In the first half only one goal was secured, J. Lorimer doing the trick for Victoria United after a clever sprint. When play recommenced, Constable, centre forward

game was won by Victoria United by a margin of two points. Both teams played an excellent game. Victoria West was strong in the forward division, but weak in the defence. On the called upon to make some stops. Play was other hand, the Victoria United eleven, while having a fairly fast lot of forwards, ball travelling simply up and down the is principally noted for the strength of the field, first one side and then the other back divisions.

VICTORIA WEST WON. In an intermediate league match played on Saturday afternoon between the Vic-toria West and Capital intermediate teams the former were victorious, the score being five goals to nil. The game, was played at At Oak Bay next Monday the Victoria and Vancouver juniors will play at ested spectators. At the start there was nothing to choose between the two teams. About the end of the first half, however, Messrs. Peden, Loveridge, Ross and Mc-Kittrick were some of the most prominent players on the Capital team.

A JUNIOR MATCH. The match between North Ward and Victoria West, one of the junior league series, wens will meet on Saturday afternoon on Saturday afternoon at Beacon Hill, was won by the former by 3 goals to 0. The these teams have tried conclusions in the former team played three men short during struggle for the season's championship. handicap, won in a most decisive manner.

WON BY DEFAULT. The game scheduled to be played yester-A comparison of the two elevens

Next Saturday the Victoria United team will play the Garrison at Oak Bay. This, Fifth Regiment 0 will be one of the most important matches of the league series. It will probably decide the championship. If Victoria United wins the two teams will be on an even standing. making another game necessary to uccons the question of supremacy. The local eleven has been considerably strengthened by the addition of B. Schwengers, who will take a place at full back. He and Goward will make a difficult couple for the fastest lot of forwards to evade.

CAPITALS VICTORIOUS.

The St. Louis College and Capital teams played a close game on Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay. It was won by the latter by three goals to nil, the defeated eleven putting up a plucky fight throughout.

-0-THE MAINLAND LEAGUE.

A Vancouver correspondent of the Times s as follows regarding Saturday's Mainland League matche Two games were played in the Mainland League series on Saturday afternoon, the Shamrocks vs. Columbia College, on Powell street grounds, which was won by the for-Victoria West teams on Saturday afternoon and Celtics vs. Rovers, the latter being destrong.

The first mentioned game, Shamrocks vs. Columbia College, was quite a disappoint ment to close observers of the game, as the College boys had been playing in fine style in the last two or three matches, but perhaps their falling off on Saturday was feels that British Columbia, the most West- feet was noticeable in the second half. In for Victoria West, put the ball between the due to the fact that several of the College posts, thus evening matters. For a time boys had gone home for the Christmas holiable to show to the American people that the ball hovered around the centre. Both our resources are equal in every respect to teams were guilty of fumbling, which lost United boys making desperate efforts to ling a continual bombardment of the College those of any of the Western states. The ball out of the score as it was realized that the match had score as it was realized that the match had ball out of the score as it was realized that the match had to be won in order to give them a chance but Verseywer less than the score was held but Vancouver lost ground owing to the erratic work in the three-quarter line.

"Cantein Merrae was the most conspicu"Cantein Merrae was the most conspiculation of the content of th afterwards, Constable, again scored for the | College forwards managed to get away with

The other game, Celtics vs. Rovers, was without a doubt the fastest game played this season on the Mainland. The Rovers kicked off and immediately rushed the Celtic goal, sending in several hot shots to Whyte, but he was equal to the occasion whyte, but he was equal to the transferred to and saved. Play was then transferred to abandon all their pursuits to play in the other end of the field, and Gibson was such a series. This would make them as with that of last year. very even throughout the first half, the taking a hand in shooting at goal. The feature of this half was the splendid way in which D. McCallum and F. Hepburn re lieved in front of goal. The first half ended with no score. The second half was even faster than the first. The Celtic players were particularly anxious to win, for if they lost the game or it ended in a draw they would lose their chance of the they would be in second place. The Celtics had slightly the best of this half, but it was the ball was sent from the full-backs to the not until about 10 minutes from time that left wing, from where it was promptly transferred to centre, and Baker scored in splendid style. During the second part of the met. The Rovers made desperate efforts to score, but they could not get the bell need Whyte in coal G. Delg and G. the game the superior weight of the Victhe game the superior weight of the vic-toria West boys had its effect, and they the cawford, two new men, were the pick of the Celtic forwards. Scott, D. McCallum blow of the whistle. For the victors Cob-bett played a first-class game in goal, and a splendid defence game, and Whyte in goal also put up a good game. The backs were off color on Saturday, letting the forwards get away from them time and again. For the losers, Gibson in goal played a star game, as did also their full backs, Wedge and Kirby. Craig, right half, and Lougheed and the Robertson brother played well on the forward line. The game scheduled for Monday between

the Rovers and Celtics at New Westminster the fact that there was five or six inches of Beef. ner lb.

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LEAGUE STANDING. The standing of the Mainland League

Shamrocks 11 8 1 2 18 Rovers 10 Columbia College 12 Chilliwack 8 Central Park ... 10 0 10 0

VICTORIA WEST WON.

orious in both cases.

being stubbornly fought by the Bays. selected with a view to comfort as well as attractiveness. A new fire place has core of 14 to 12 points.

The intermediate game was slower than score of 14 to 12 points.

the contest which preceded it. Both teams shot poorly, but from the start it was apparent that the Bays were outclassed. vate rooms nearby are equally well victoria West won by a score of 18 to 7 points.

There was a large crowd of interested

HOW THEY STAND.

Appended is the standing of the respective Won. Lost. Pts. Victoria West 2 0 J. B. A. A. 0 Y. M. C. A. Fernwood 0 Cloverdale 1

J. B. A. A. 0 Y. M. C. A. 0 0

Fifth Regiment 0

Victoria West 2

Fernwood 0 1

MATCHES UN FRIDAY. will be played on Friday evening between teams from No. 5 company, Fifth Regiment, and James Bay, at the J. B. A. A. hall. Two interesting carries are ment, and some serving carries are represents an expenditure of \$2,000 m.

FIRST SENIOR GAME.

On Saturday, January 7th, the first senior match of the season will be played between the Victoria West and Lame Play towns In all probability it James Bay teams. In all probability it operation until the end of the present will take place at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall, other of Broad and Pandora street. The Victoria West team will compuse the same players as last year. Up to the present no announcement has mer rather easily, the score being 6 to nil, I B A. A. team. It is understood, however, that the five will be exceptionally

BASEBALL

A LEAGUE PROPOSED. Rumors have been circulated recently about the organization of a four-cornered school term was the unusually high per-league to include teams at Victoria, Vancouver, Bellingham and Everett. Several monthly enrolment was greater than that of those interested in the movement have visited the Terminal City, and, according by 78; but the number in actual daily reports, have received every encouragement. It is therefore probable that pro- year. loned. Whether the promoters will sucpeed in inducing some local enthusiast to take up the formation of a Victor's pro- Average daily attendfessional nine is doubtful. Officials of the Victoria amateur team emphatically an- Regularity 87.2 93.5 6.3 nounce their intention to have nothing to do with the proposal. H. A. Goward, do with the proposal. H. A. Goward, treasurer of the present club, points out that it would be necessary for their players school year, means an increase in the circumstances it was hardly likely that the compared with the other months of the club would support the proposition. He fall term. This year, however, the numvolid not say whether any enterprising victorian would undertake to organize a local professional nine. That was possible, at least, the record is as good as the but not probable. In fact, he did not average for the term. Following is the think it likely that Victoria would be rep- usual summary for the various schools resented in such an international associa- for the month:

THE NEW RULE.

Commenting on the rule just introduced by the American Baseball League making | High school .. 198 171.89 86.81 95 the decessary for the pitcher to place the Boys' Central. . 545 516.76 95.15 325 ball over the plate and between the shoulder Girls' Central. . 425 398.39 93.73 294 and hip of the batter before being entitled | Girls' Central. 423 to a strike, the New York Herald says:
"The foul-strike rule was not intended to enefit the pitcher, because at the time of Spring Ridge. 171 162.77 95.18 benefit the pitcher, because at the spring Ringer. 111 102.1 103.1 118.16 90.9 come too prominent, but was aimed at a specific evil in the game. Under the old Rock Bay 68 63.61 93.54 system a batter could knock fouls to his heart's content, and spectators were often treated to tiresome exhibitions of this sort which he gave while waiting for a ball to was declared off by the referee, owing to the spectator. The development of the side, divisions 2 and 3; Kingston street, 'spit ball' last season put the batters still division 3. snow all over the ground. But not to dis- more in the hands of the boxman, so that appoint the spectators a friendly game was it was evident that the coming season played in which the Celtics defeated the would be one of low scores and uninterestday between Victoria United and Victoria
West was taken by the former eleven, the
V. W. A. A. team defaulting. As all the

IFINE QUARTERS

ARE NOT SURPASSED IN GENERAL FINISH

Refurnished and Thoroughly Renovated They Now Present a Most Attractive Appearance.

Transformed to an almost incredible extent, equipped in a manner which can only be described as sumptuous, the quarters of the Pacific Club, which have been in the hands of the architect and contractor for the past several weeks, are now ready for occupancy. The rooms have been changed in every particular, and in the process of renovation nothing has been spared, so that the most fastidious member is at a loss for ground for legitimate criticism. In fact so thorough-ly has the work been done that it is safe to say that, everything considered, no club in the Pacific northwest can boast of handsomer apartments.

Inspection shows that the transformation has affected the most minute details. The walls have been tinted, the ceilings repapered, the floors recarpeted, the rooms refurnished and rearranged, not in a monotonous tone of color, but with a variation that is charming and refreshing. On ascending the entrance stairway one finds himself in the rotunda which has been most attractively renovated. West hall on Tuesday. They were between the intermediate and junior J. B. A. A. and Victoria West teams. The latter were victoria West teams. The latter were victoria west teams. The latter were victoria west teams. room, which has a green finish. The The junior game was closely contested, furniture is of the newest pattern, and

short distance away.

The hall also is tinted a dark red and spectators, and the best plays were enthusiastically applauded. been refurnished with new oak fixtures, and in general finish is similar to some of the other rooms. Probably the finest appointed appartment in the club, and perhaps the Mecca of Meccas for most embers, is the smoking room. most luxuriously furnished. Its walls have been tinted brown with paper to matche a handsome frieze contributing to the artistic appearance of the room. Beautiful upholstered leather reclining chairs and couches, with antique oak finish, have been installed there, a fine large inviting fireplace is always the source of comfort and warmth, and it takes but a brief inspection to explain why this room is never empty. It more than attracts;

t fascinates. The two billiard rooms have also been newly equipped as well as the two card ished, and even the kitchen shared in the general improvement. Yesterday the electricians were busy putting in new electric lighting fixtures, and other workganizations on the coast. From a mem-

The officers of the club are: Joshua mittee of management, J. McB. Smith. een made regarding the personnel of the J. Savannah, H. Ross and the three first

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Feature of Last Term Was Unusually High Regularity Percentage.

The principal feature of the last

attendance averaged 199 more than last Following are the figures: Average number at-... 2.627 2.705 78 tending

As the government per capita grant is

much professionals as any of those with the big American leagues. Under these circumstances it was hardly likely that the

No. Daily Reg. Perfec Attend. Ave. P.C. Attend. South Park .. 370 344.78 93.18 232 Victoria West. 219 205.27 94.14 Hillside Ave... 92 81.82 88.93

Total2,627 2,447.45 92.16 1,584

The best record is that of the Spring suit him. The new rule did away with Ridge school, and the poorest that of the that, and has shortened the game, so that in High school. Only one division of the that way it has proved a distinct advan-tage. At the same time it put more power age of 90 in regularity, and of the other in the hands of the pitcher, and undoubted schools only the following failed to ly has resulted in a decreased amount of reach that figure: Boys' school, 1 and 2 batting, to the detriment of baseball, for divisions; North Ward, division 9; Hill-

CATARRH FOR TWENTY YEARS AND

AGAIN DISCUSSED

FINAL MEETING OF THE PRESENT YEAR

City Council Had One Little Debate, But Transacted Business in Brief Order, Notwithstanding.

The city council signa Nized its last session of the year 1904, last night, by polishing off the order paper in about polishing off the order paper in about at this time, despite every precaution three-quarters of an hour. Even this taken to guard against them by steamwould have been reduced had it not been ship and railway companies, not infrefor a lively little discussion on that fruit-ful toric of debate the Rock Box bridge ful topic of debate, the Rock Bay bridge. The argument arose from a letter of protest against the closing of the bridge from Messrs. Scott & Peden. Its reading prompted Ald. Grahame to move that the letter be received and filed and the writers informed that the council intended to recommend to the incoming board the construction of a new bridge.

Ald. Beckwith seconded the motion.

filed, and that the writers be informed that the bridge has been only temporarily closed to traffic, owing to its unsafe condition and the fact of a septic tank being built at the morthern end, which latter act would alone necessitate the closing of the bridge, and that in all probability the present council will favorably recommend to the incoming council the advisability of building and maintaining a bridge in that vicinity.

Ald. Fell opposed the motion, urging the reasons given by him before. The people should be informed just how the question stood. He wasn't working an

election dodge.

Ald. Beckwith scorned the insinuations of Ald. Fell, and contended that it was generally understood that a recommendation such as the motion referred to would

Ald. Oddy said he never understood this to be decided upon, and the mayor expressed a similar view.

The upshot of the discussion was the

and fisheries department, acknowledged the receipt of a plan of the proposed ginning of January, and her times are a fisheries department, acknowledged the present programme, her, which will appear in Seattle about the betreften.

R. B. McMicking, manager of the talephone company, drew attention to the corporation securely fastening its lighting cables. During the recent storm they had interfered with the company's wires at the corner of Government and Johnson streets. Re-

ferred to the city electrician. Jos. Peirson, secretary of the Victoria-Esquimalt branch of the Navy league. urged the council to call a public meetadvisability of reducing the strength of the Esquimalt squadron.

Ald. Stewart moved that the commi mication be received and filed. While h admitted that the matter was of much importance to Victoria, he didn't think any action the city would take would ise any influence upon the Lords of

A site for the proposed Old Men's Home at Oak Bay, belonging to T. M. Sproat, was suggested to the council in aunication from G. M. Sproat.

The matter was referred to the home John Alexander urged the removal of an offensive barbed wire fence on Simcoe street, between Oswego and Montreal. He had torn his umbrella and

coat sleeve on it, and it was a positive onvenience to pedestrians. This was a signal for activity on the part of two of the South ward city fathers. Ald. Oddy moved that the engineer be instructed to remove the fenc while Ald. Vincent corroborated the statement of Mr. Alexander anent the destructiveness of the fence by remarking that he had seen the injured umbrella and coat sleeve. The fence will

be relegated to limbo, reserved for all such nuisances. water commissioner submitted a report, disputing the complaint of J. A.

Ceates regarding the stumping machine. The finance committee recommended the payment of the sum of \$7,962.10 for the usual purposes. Adopted

Walter Keating thanked the council

for the appointment of police clerk. The city clerk reported that communi The city clerk reported that communications from E. Hutber and A. F. Barcations in the result of the case in due occurred in the place of the working of a cannery. In Esquimalt the working of a cannery. In Esquimalt the hotel and behind the bar was smashed. ize the voting on the Douglas Street attempt to force the soldiers to break away, was a resident of this country, and had compensation By-law and the Old Men's and the place was pretty well wrecked. Home measure on January 12th. These motions merely remedied a technical in. and taken back to the fort. advertency which would have made the adte of polling more than twenty-one days from the time of the by-laws' final passage by the council. The act provides that the time of the final steps at last night's meeting. The act provides that the time of the final passing by the council of the measure to be submitted to the made properly element properly element preferred as to register the final steps at last night's meeting. The act provides that the time of notice of polling more than twenty-one days from the date of the final passing by the council of the measure to be submitted to the most in the property deark's bands was will of the people. The council then adjusted the produced, Nelson being given journed.

The same scheme was worked successfully several years ago along the Canadian border until broken up by the date of the mobilization cent—satisfies and the time of notice of polling more than twenty-one days from the time of the time of the time of notice of polling more than twenty-one days from the time of the time of the most like that of the mobilization cent—satisfies and the time of notice of polling of the mobilization cent—satisfies and conscripts and the time of notice of polling of the mobilization cent—satisfies and conscripts and the time of notice of the mobilization cent—satisfies and conscripts and the time of notice of the mobilization cent—satisfies and conscripts and to obtain immediate reports at first hand to obtain immediate

THE CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Delivery on Saturday and Monday.

That Victorians received their Christ mas mail as promptly as they did is due in no small degree to the excellent ar rangements made for the season by Post master Noah Shakespeare. When it is CEREMONY FOLLOWED sidered that the mail was an exceptionally large one, this fact can be bet ter appreciated. The number of parcels delivered during the last few days to talled 2,600, including that in the English and Canadian mails.

In order to facilitate the work of the department three teams were sent out yesterday, in addition to the one on the streets Saturday, and all mail was quickly distributed. That from England did not arrive until Monday, owing to some delay on the Atlantic. It should have reached Victoria on Saturday, but delays snowslides in the whole year.

PLEASED WITH VIOTORIA.

G. T. Boulding, of Richmond avenue, who came here last spring from the Northwest, after a stay there extending over twenty-one years, with the intention of paving Victoria a visit for his health.

MELBA MAY SING.

Great Diva Will Come if Guarantee Is

Ald. Oddy said he never understood this to be decided upon, and the mayor expressed a similar view.

The upshot of the discussion was the defeat of Ald. Fell's amendment on the Tollowing vote:

Ayes—Alds. Vincent, Kinsman, Fell. Ages—Alds. Vincent, Kinsman, Fell
Oddy and the mayor.
Nays—Alds. Grahame, Goodace,
Stewart, Beckwith and Elford,
The original motion was defeated on a reverse of this vote, so the letter of
Messers. Scott & Peden was merely received and filed.

Jas, Gaudin, local agent of the marine and fisheries department, acknowledged

Taylor mill wharf, which he stated he would send to Ottawa. A similar communication was read from Capt. Clarke, harbor master. These letters were received and filed.

"Sister Lodges" was next given by Broc. L. Tait, S. W., who spoke in favorable to the Terminal City, and if the diva can derive satisfactory financial results by comthat the relationship existing would long

between the two other cities. The particulars of this tour are not yet at hand, so it is impossible to state who amusing anecdotes, which proved entireartists of rare merit.

INTERESTING VOLUME.

llustrated London News of 1854 Is Possession of Robert Eccles, of This City.

would be ridiculous on the part of the council to attempt to interfere with the udmiralty plaus. He seconded the motion, which was carried.

It is committed News of that day resembles the publication of the present time in many ways. It has been increased in size from time to time and has been kent up to the several lectures of the Masonic institution, which was carried. which remain with it to-day were in vogue in 1854. The issue of the first half of that year was the 25th volume of the magazine. a most creditable elocutionary effort. Contained in it are illustrations of the Crimean war. The embarkation of troops | Brethren, from England for the front and the early me. The battles of Alma and Inkerman style. and the charges at Balaclava are given a

cominent place in the volume. Chas. Mackay's poem, "The Battle of ion, after which all sang "God Save the Inkerman," was published at this time and King" and dispersed. appeared in the Illustrated News. Another iteresting feature of the volume are the written by John Bright on the sub-

ject of the war in the Crimea. HOW SOLDIERS CELEBRATED.

Took Possession of Hotel, Which Suffered

Severely Before They Were Ejected. New York, Dec. 26.-With fixed bayonets, 75 soldiers from the 151st and 87th companies, United States artillery, stationed take the Chinamen from China to Liver-75 soldiers from the 151st and 87th comnear Fort Totten, L. I., have charged on near Fort Totten, L. I., have charged on a hotel near the post. Fifty patrons of the Halifax or St. John. At Rouse's point, notel fled by way of the rear doors. The artillerymen, who were celebrating immigration service is located, and the Christmas in a noisy manner, piled their Chinese entering the country there would guns and haversacks on the hotel veranda. not, be subjected to the investigation of The proprietor hastened to a nearby tele- the immigration board of isnpectors. phone station and got word to Captain Mur-ray, commanding at Fort Totten, who sent United States marshals, but this pro-Doors were torn from the hinges in the vided with papers indicating that

Teams Hired to Facilitate the Work of

BY ENJOYABLE FEAST

During Which Speeches, Songs and Stories Contributed to the Delectation of All Present.

The installation of officers of Vanbrethren in attendance from all portions of the globe, a feature which very frequently distinguishes the delectable functions and interesting ceremonies of this influential craft.

The installation ceremony was carried fuel. This is mainly to be attributed to out in a way that called for considerable the free shipments of British Columbian praise. V. W. Bro. P. J. Riddell, D. D. products, which are very popular in this was so much pleased with the climate by W. Bro. A. McKeown, Geo. Glover G. M. for Victoria district, ably assisted and general conditions of this city that E. B. Paul, R. B. McMicking, W. Hen-HOTEL CONTRACT

who comprised that body. V. W. Bro. P. J. Riddell replied in suitable terms. Subscribed.

P. J. Riddell replied in suitable terms.

"The Newly Installed Officers" was and are capable of turning out an abundant supply of the stone. These two diva whom history will include in that complimented the lodge on having selected such an excellent staff of officers.

"Sister Lodges" was next given by of the hotel. ing here, she will make this a point of call continue. W. K. Houston, W. M., of Victoria-Columbia, No. 1, responded in the accompanying artists are. There will ly apropos. Bro. Burrington, of United be, of course, but one Melba, although it is Service, No. 24, also made a few reto be expected that should she have a concert company with her it will comprise S. Rowe then addressed the assembly Sea incident, is practically complete.

of school feachers.

Bro. A. McAfee gave "The Visiting Robert Eccles, of this city, possesses a Brethren" in a neat speech. Bro, G. K. form. very interesting volume, consisting of the B. Adams responded in friendly terms. Illustrated London News from July to December, 1854. Needless to say Mr. Eccles on the standing they had in the community, and advised all to practice the sive measures taken were in absolute

teachings that were laid down in the good faith. given at this juncture, proved a thorough treat, and elicited loud applause. It was

W. Bro. E. B. Paul proposed "Absent W. Bro. H. L. Salmon favored the battles of the war are depicted in this vol- gathering with a song, "Sailing," in fine W. Bro. Dr. C. N. Cobbett then gave

SMUGGLING SCHEME.

How It Is Proposed to Secure Admiss

of Chinamen Into States. Washington, Dec. 23.-Information has reached the immigration authorities of a scheme by which it is proposed to bring into this country Chinese, who in the regular order of events might be reon the border, no detention house of the cut to obtain.

same scheme was worked suc-

COAL MARKET REPORT. British Columbia Product is Popular

The following is the report of J. W. Harrison on the coal market at San Francisco, under date of December

Since the steamship Sonoma left there have been but two arrivals of Australian coal from Newcastle, N. S. W., totalling 4,302 tons. The liberal arrivals during the last month have fully supplied the market for all immediate requirements of Australian coals, still the quantity on hand should be largely consumed by the

end of January next.

There are at present chartered to load coal at Newcastle 16 vessels with a carrying capacity of about 40,000 tons. A large proportion of this amount will not be delivered for four months to come As soon as our rainfall commences, the demands for all our Australian grades couver and Quadra lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M., took place last evening at the Maconia temple with a large methodice. Masonic temple, with a large gathering of members present. It was very pleasing to notice a goodly number of visiting on coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm, with no archaelist of the coal from Newcastle are very firm. in 1903. This will show demonstratively the falling off in consumption of colonial

a good color. The rock is an igneous sandstone, and the quarries at the Isl-

The new hotel will attain the same height as the topmost point of the parlia-

likely to be no delay in the construction

THE RUSSIAN DEFENCE. gates on Commission Claim They

Can Prove Presence of Japanese Paris, Dec. 24.-The Russian de fence before the international commis-

with one of his clever speeches, his witty sallies evoking continued merriment. The speaker thought that Vancouver-Quadra suspices circumstances, having the advantage of the good counsel of a number of school carbon of school c

in the most positive and overwhelming Second-That even if the Russians were not attacked, they believed they were attacked and therefore the defen-

Third-At most it was an accident at sea where the dangers and risks are extreme and analogous to the British bat-tleship Camperdown ramming and sinking the British battleship Victoria and the recent firing by a British warship

upon a coasting vessel during target The preliminaries of the commission have clearly shown that the British are anxious for a prompt disposal of the case, while the Russians do not object to deny it, therefore the postponement of the opening of the sessions of the comnission owing to the non-arrival of Rear-Admiral Charles H. Davis, the America representative, developed an incident showing the insignificant greetthe American view that Admiral Davis is entitled to ample time, while the Britsh and French sentiment did not ap-

prove of the postponement.

It develops that American Ambassador Choate sent a wireless telegraph message to Finland notifying Admiral Davis that the commission would be opened December 22nd. This probably was the first use of the wireless system in an important official commun

DISORDERS IN POLAND.

Colonel Killed at Razon During Trouble Following Mobilizing of Troops. St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.-While the he he ous disturbance was at Razon, where a waterworks, and this consideration is one of the greatest inducements which the place has to offer. wounded. There also has been much nioting at Bakahoul, where 6,000 conscripts pillaged a few houses and fruit stations. No one, however, was killed. The Emperor has his personal aidesdecamp at all of the mobilization cent as in order to see that exercitions is done

THE NEXT MEETING

President Refers to Dissentient Statements Which Have Been Appended to the Minutes.

Moscow, Dec. 28.-The Zemstvo congress of the Moscow government, which opened yesterday, adjourned indefinitely ast evening after the adoption of resolution as follows: "This Zemstvo, deeply moved by the

rnment's note in regard to proceedings at Zemstvo meetings, is unable to continue its business with the necessary ealm, and therefore adjourns sine The resolution was signed by 34 delegates. Seven delegates voted against it. Prior to putting the resolution, President Truebetzkoi said that two dissenti-ent statements had been appended to the

minutes of the previous sitting. One had a single signature attached to it. Add. Fell was surprised at the motion.
Add. Fell was surprised at the motion is checked to engin, and has built a very beautiful residence on the corner of the decided to remain, and has built a very beautiful residence on the corner of the motion is checked by each He moved that the latter part of the motion be expunged.

Add. Grahame was walking to an under the latter part so as to intimate that it was probable that the council would likely recommend the construction of a new bridge.

But Ald. Beckwith declined to allow the motion seconded by him changed. There would have to be a new thrighes and he thought those so deeply increased should be taken into confidence on the matter.

Finally Ald. Grahame was follows:

Was so much pleased with the climate and surprised exiting the content of the decided to remain, and has built a very feathful residence on the corner of the decided to remain, and has built a very many families decisions of settling was a follows:

Was coosed for two reasons; one was that it was unsafe, and the other that the council would likely recommend the expunged.

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But Ald. Beckwith declined to allow the motion seconded by him changed. There would have to be a new triple and he thought those so deeply increased should be taken into confidence on the master.

Finally Ald. Grahame put his motion in writing, as follows:

Was consumed the consumeration of the motion be received and the communication be received

Mr. Boulding is a firm believer in the future of the great Northwest, but thinks that Victoria will be the Mecca for those who have made their pile and wish to spend the remainder of their lives in a less rigorous climate. He and Mrs. Boulding are and have been for many years consistent members of the Methodist church, and have joined the Metropolita church, and have joined the Metropolita church, and have joined the Metropolita church, and have joined the members of the Methodist church, and have joined the members of the Metropolita church, and have joined the members of the Metropolita church, and have joined the members of the Metropolita church, and have joined the members of the Metropolitan church in this city. Mr. Boulding, as a resident of Regina, commanded the full respect of all the citizens, and his settling here is a distinct gain to Victoria.

The recipient responded in feeling and appropriate terms, thanking the brethren for these who have made their pile and wish to spend the remainder of their lives in a proposed by the Methodist to the lodge in the future.

After the completion of the installation ceremony the brethren adjourned to Victoria hall, where the banquet was served, and after full justice had been done to find the citizens, and his set wardship, and hoping to be of service to the lodge in the future.

The time will be none too long when the character of the work is considered. The hotel is to be eight stories. It is to be Haddington stone—the same as that used in the proposed by the Worshipful Master.

"The Grand Lodge of B. C." was then proposed by A. W. Currie, W. M., who Masonic toast: "The King and Crart," stone ntings, which is exactly similar proposed by the Worshipful Master.

"The Grand Lodge of B. C." was then proposed by A. W. Currie, W. M., who paid high tribute to the many members this climate. It is very lasting and keeps the country is already suffering sufficiently. By adopting a petition of a political natural country is already suffering sufficiently. By adopting a petition of a political natural country is already suffering sufficiently. country is already suffering sufficiently.

By adopting a petition of a political nature, the Zemstvo exceeds the limit of its powers and the right of protesting in Paris, the circumstances under which against interference in the conduct of the | they obtained the information being ex

variety of stone, and in such close proximity to one another, will present a very substantial appearance.

SITES ARE SELECTED IN ESQUIMALT HARBOR

There will be a wonderful transforma tion in the appearance of Esquimalt hartion in the appearance of Esquimalt har-bor during the coming season. The place nial of December 11th regarding the subwill no longer be the busy naval base. ject. It was pointed out, however, tha that it has been for more than a score of for information, the Russian government

Canners have designs on the harbor, and two companies have now applica-tions before the Dominion government for waterfront privileges. Correspond ence from Ottawa alluded to one of these applications a few days ago. The other is believed to be that of the Capital City Packing & Canning Company. This company has been organized in Victoria. As previously related the company has acquired three sites for traps, and in addition to the cannery which they purpose building in Esquimalt they have in con-templation three traps, all of which will

are situated between Otter and Sherrington Points, and one beyond the latter There are already two traps in the Straits, and these three will make five to be operated this coming season. Find lay, Durham & Brodie, it is believed have a sixth in view, and H. Bell-Irving a seventh. Both have fishing interests on the Fraser, and while they may ope ate their traps on the Island shore it is understood to be their intention to tem

The importance, however, of two big eanneries working in Esquimalt will have a most stimulating effect on the commercial life of the city. In connecion with the two plants named new wharves will have to be erected for the eccommodation of steamers bringing the catch of the traps in from the Str While the canneries might be located nearer to the scene of fishing operation Esquimalt is said to possess advantages n the matter of water supply, railway connection and convenience to the city, which locations in the Straits would not

porarily ship all fish to the river for can-

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STATEMENTS BY FISHERMEN

Alleged to Have Sworn to Having Seen Foreign Torpedo Boats Among Hull Fleet.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.-According to a local paper a number of English fishermen have appeared before the Russian consul in London and have deposed to have seen foreign torpedo boats

Declares Statement Untrue. London, Dec. 22.-The publication in St. Petersburg of the statement that the Hull fishermen have voluntarily declared that foreign torpedo boats were among the trawlers off Dogger Bank hen the latter were fired upon by the Russians, probably is a repetition of similar statements recently emanating from Hull and appearing in London papers. These are circumstantial, and it would certainly appear to be true that some men of the Gamecock fleet have

made statements before the Russian con-

All published reports from Hull say positively that those statements were secured by two agents of the Russian government, but the Russian embassy in although Russia had offered a reward all kinds, will present a scene of com-mercial activity.

The consul says he knows other trawlers who are ready to

make similar statements, but that they are afraid of the consequences. Altogether an air of mystery surrounds the matter, but no credence given in responsible quarters to the

statements that unfair methods have

statements that unfair methods have been used by Russia.

CHASED BY SHARKS.

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San Francisco, Dec. 24.—A voyage of 200 miles of the company has been organized in Victoria.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—A voyage of 200 miles by oar, almost destitute of provisions and pursued by a horde of giant sharks that threatened momentarily and n'ghtly to capeize the craft and devour its occurrence of capeize the craft and dev

chooner Victor, wrecked on Apitaki Island on November 30th. Apitaki is 200 miles from Papeete, the port of Tahiti. ELECTRIC KAILWAYS.

rease in the Mileage in the United Kingdom. In 1897 there were forty miles of electric of passengers carried on British tramways increased from eight millions in 1897 to about 1,500,000,000 in 1908. This extraor-dinary growth of traffic was provided in the chief Commissioner of Lands a Works for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, more or less, commencing at to about 1,500,000,000 in 1908. This extraor-dinary growth of traffic was provided in the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission or purchase 320 acr of land, more or less, commencing at the commissioner of the lindian Reserve to the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for passengers carried on British tramways increased from eight millions in 1897 to about 1,500,000,000 in 1908. This extraor-dinary growth of traffic was provided in the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of land, and the chief Commissioner of Lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of lands and the lands a work for permission to purchase 320 acr of lands and lands a work for dinary growth of traffic was practically alt carried by the electrification of existing

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Land Registry Act.

the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A., Victoria

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a suplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land, assued to Ellen Carroll on the 13th day of May, 1865, and numbered 1353.

S. Y. WOOTTON. Registrar-General. Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. U., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

G. R. LAWRENCE:-

Please take notice that should you fall to meet your portion of expenditure for assessment work for year ending Sept. 11th, 1904, on mineral claims Cascade and Forest King, on head waters of Chemainus River, your interest in same will be forfeited in time and as provided for by statute.

A. H. SHERK.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH

In the Matter of Anna Rebecca Sieh, Deceased, Intestate, and in the Matter of the Official Auministrator's Act.

The name of one of those has been revealed. He is the boatswain on the trawler Ava, and he said to-day that he was induced to make the statement while intoxicated. He admits that he received money, but now says the statement he was easy to be statement will be was induced to make the statement will be statement will be was induced. He admits that he received money, but now says the statement he made is untrue.

Notice is hereby given that under an order made by the Honorable Mr. Justice Duff, dated 5th day of December, 1904, I, the undersigned, was appointed administrator of the estate of the above deceased. All parties having claims against the state are requested to send particulars of same to me, on or before the 5th day of January. 1905, and all parties individual.

1905, and all parties thereto are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

WM. MONTEITH,

Victoria, B. C., December 6th, 1904. NOTICE. We, the undersigned, being petitioners for the incorporation of the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a Municipality, hereby give notice of our intention to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for Letters Patent under the Public Seal incorporating the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a District Municipality (excepting only such portions thereof as form Indian Reservations), under the name of The Corporation of the District of Saanich.

ANDREW STRACHAN.

J. STUART YATES.

JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Com-missioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Fraction S. W. 14 Sec. 31, Fraction Sec. 32 and Fraction Sec. 33, Denman Island, Nanaimo District, containing in the aggregate 487 acres more or less.

December 5th, 1904. H. McFARLAN. Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Quat leo, thence south 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, and thence east to point of commencement.

Sept. 25th 1994 (Sgd.) THOS. JONES.

Sept. 25th, 1904.

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WANTED-Employment on a farm, by ex perienced hand; wages no object. Apply 23. this office.

OTTAWA NOTES Ottawa, Dec. 27. - Major Delathem, must weigh nearly 20 tons, and the tendency is still further to increase the weight by giving the outside passengers a oof.

27. — Major Delaronde. of the 42nd regiment, Ottawa, has been appointed chief of police here. Berkeley Powell has refused the Conservative nomination for servative nomination for the legislature.
A. E. Donly, brother of Hal. B. Nearly every summer there are some the last federal elections, has been appointed commercial agent for Canada in Mexico.