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REASONS WHY NARROWS HAVE TO BE BRIDGED

T. W. Paterson, M. P. P., Discusses the New Situation Affecting Vancouver Island From Standpoint of Practical Railway Man

"When three railways become anxious to participate in the development of the wealth of Vancouver Island, the Seymour Narrows will be bridged." This statement was made in a tone of positive conviction by T. W. Paterson, M. P. P., when he addressed the practical railway men in British Columbia, in the course of a conversation yesterday upon the possibilities of railway construction on Vancouver Island.

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REGISTRAR-BREAKS RECORD FOR WORK

Volume of Real Estate Transfers Keeps the Office Staff Continually on the Jump—Demand for Acreege Increases

"We have done the biggest day's work so far recorded," announced Registrar-General Wootton yesterday, in response to a query as to whether the momentary real estate market making itself felt at his office. He went on to state that during the past few months the volume of business had been unusually large.

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NIPPING STOCK TAKES AN ALARMING SLUMP

Rumors of Crookedness Excite Speculators in City of Toronto

New York, Dec. 3.—A scramble to unload stock of the Nipissing Mines Company took place on the curb stock market today as a result of the announcement last week that the Guggenheim interests declined to exercise an option on 100,000 shares at 225 per share.

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CAPITALISTS SEEK TIMBER AT SOOKE

Seattle Men Negotiate With the C. P. R. for Purchase of Limits and May Establish Large Mill—Area Surveyed

A big timber deal is in prospect which will probably mean the establishment of still another saw mill for the west coast of Vancouver island—at Sooke. Seattle capitalists are seeking to purchase from the C. P. R. eleven miles of timber limits on the Sooke river.

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HAVE AN EYE ON COAST IRON MINES

Representative of Mackenzie & Mann Takes a Look Over Vancouver Island

Representative of Mackenzie & Mann, the well known railroad builders who are pushing the Canada Northern railroad to the Pacific coast, was here investigating the possibilities of the Vancouver iron deposits with a view to the establishment of a plant to make steel on the island.

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ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S STATEMENT

is Not Aware of Any Protest Against the Title of the Mining Company

Toronto, Dec. 3.—The slump in the Nipissing mining stock is the sensation of the day here, and rumors are rife of crookedness in the transaction in mining lands and the ease with which the government has been won over.

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PALMER REPORTS ON EDINBURGH SUCCESS

How B. C. Fruit Won Gold Medal of Scottish Horticultural Association

Edinburgh, Nov. 13, 1906. Hon. R. G. Taitow has just received the following self-explanatory letter from R. M. Palmer, who is in charge of the British Columbia fruit exhibit in the Old Country:

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GOVERNMENT AROUSES THE RE OF SCOTSMEN

Large Meeting in Edinburgh Resents Action of War Secretary Haldane

London, Dec. 3.—War Secretary Haldane, in pursuance of the plans for army reorganization, decided recently to remove a cavalry regiment, the Scots Greys, from Scotland. This decision has caused the greatest resentment in Scotland, which was voiced at the great meeting of protest held tonight in Edinburgh.

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HYMAN'S RESIGNATION REMAINS A MYSTERY

Speaker Is Unable to Throw Any Light on It—Ottawa News

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—(Special)—Inquiries were made of the government in house today regarding Hon. C. H. Hyman's resignation, but no satisfaction was forthcoming. Speaker Sutherland could throw no light upon the subject.

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W. G. ARMSTRONG DEAD

New Westminster, Dec. 3.—W. G. Armstrong, warden of the provincial jail, died this morning of heart failure. G. Armstrong has long been a resident of this province. He was appointed to the position of warden of the jail on the retirement of the late W. H. G. Armstrong in 1888. He was 68 years of age, and unmarried.

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ISSUES OF CAMPAIGN DISCUSSED AT NELSON

Rufus Pope and W. A. Macdonald Deal With British Columbia Affairs

Nelson, B.C., Nov. 26.—What may be regarded as the opening gun in the coming provincial campaign was fired here tonight in a public political meeting...

The announcement was made that at the next monthly meeting of the Conservative organization in the city will be Premier McBride and Martin Barrell.

It may be noted that the chairman of the meeting was R. S. Lewis, who has been prominently mentioned in connection with the Conservative candidature for Nelson.

Rufus Pope made a telling speech, being evidently a practiced parliamentary hand and an old debater. He confined his talk generally to broad principles, with little detail except where pertinent to the scandals attaching to the Laurier government...

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Just as the United States had built up their country by a tariff for Americans and for no other country.

Mr. Pope then spoke in respect to some length to the scandals of the London election and of Minister Prefontaine and the Bernier expedition, claiming that the waste of money was scandalous, and that nothing in the annals of Conservatism even approached it.

He declared that the first thing he had heard of coming into British Columbia was that the judgeship made vacant by the elevation of Justice Duff to the Dominion bench, was for sale for \$7,000 and produced some evidence having a tendency to corroborate the reality of the accusation, although the speaker did not maintain it seriously.

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INFLATION OF VALUES HAS OTHERS DESIRE IT

Timely Letter From Colonel E. G. Prior on Question of Real Estate

The editor of the Colonist is in receipt of the following letter:

Sir—I have been waiting to see if any one would answer a letter signed "Visitor" that appeared in the issue of the 30th inst. which gives his opinion as "an outsider" on the real estate situation in this city.

As a rule, I think, the "outsider" should go unheeded, I would ask you to kindly publish my views as "an insider" or one who owns property here.

In the issue of the 30th inst. you were told that the real estate market in Victoria is at all like what it was 10 years ago.

On the other hand, the great majority of property owners in Victoria are financially able to carry their lands until the people from the Rocky Mountains discover that there is more true enjoyment to be got out of living in Victoria and vicinity for one month than there is in any other part of Canada for one year—and that time is coming very fast now.

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STRIKE RICH ORE BODY WITH DIAMOND DRILLS

Important Development of White Bear Mine—Operations on the Idaho

Roseland, B. C., Dec. 1.—In the White Bear mine on the 830 foot level an ore body of large dimension and of good grade has been located by means of diamond drills.

It is not known whether the drill penetrated the ledge parallel with it or across it. If across, it is one of the largest ore spots yet found in the camp.

It will take some considerable work to determine the fact and it will be at least a couple of months before the facts concerning its dimensions can be known.

A couple of machine drills were put to work on the four hundred foot level of the Centre Star today for the purpose of drifting into the Idaho, a property which has been acquired by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company.

Coke is coming to the Trail smelter at the rate of 8 or 9 carloads a day and there are about 800 tons on hand. The intention is to blow in one of the copper furnaces on Monday and the other four as soon as it is certain that there is an ample supply of coke to keep them in operation.

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MURDER AND SUICIDE

Zanesville, Ohio, Dec. 1.—At Middlebourne, Ga., yesterday night, Benjamin Scott, aged 38, was shot and killed by James C. Nichols, aged 50, who then committed suicide by taking cyanide acid.

OUTLOOK FOR THE TURKEY SUPPLY

Thousands of Birds Ordered From Smith's Falls, Ont.—Island-grown Variety Scarce

With the approach of Christmas and all the attendant festivities, the average mind conjures up a picture of a table well laden with seasonable delicacies, principal among which is the large, nicely browned turkey, and the steaming plum pudding.

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The Best of Good Cheer For Christmas

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NEWSPAPER MATTER DESTROYED BY FIRE Eighty Sacks, Consigned to West Burned in Manitoba—News of Ottawa. Ottawa, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—The post office department has been advised that 80 sacks of newspaper matter, destined for western points, was destroyed by fire near Melburn, Man. Word has been received that the Duke of Connaught has postponed his projected visit to the Canadian provinces, preventing such an extended trip. He hopes, however, to meet his Canadian friends at a later date. A royal salute was fired at Napain point today in honor of the Queen's birthday. Smallpox has broken out at the Kingston penitentiary. KILLED IN COLLISION. Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 1.—In a rear-end collision at about 1 o'clock last night, between a passenger and freight train on the Lehigh Valley railway, two miles west of East Rush, John Yeager, engineer of Buffalo, was killed and John Saunders of Buffalo, was badly scalded. Saunders also sustained a compound fracture of both legs. Both were on the engine of the passenger train when the collision occurred. The engine turned over and Yeager was pinned beneath it. RECALLED TO SWEDEN. Stockholm, Dec. 1.—A Grip, minister of Sweden to the United States has been recalled. LOWTHER IS FAVORITE. London, Dec. 1.—The Sunday Observer has excellent ground for stating that the new British ambassador to the United States will be drawn from the diplomatic service, and not chosen from the outside. Ganger, Lowther, minister at Tangier; Allan Johnstone, minister to Denmark; Cecil Spring-Rice, minister to Paris, and Sir Maurice DeBunsen, ambassador to Spain, the paper says, are in the running, but declares there is reason to believe that Mr. Lowther will probably be chosen. MATTOX LOCATED. Lynchburg, Dec. 1.—Telegraph Operator G. B. Mattox who was in charge of the block telegraph office at Rutherford on the Southern railway and who is charged by officials of the railroad with having been responsible for the accident which President Spencer and seven others lost their lives has been located at his boarding house within a mile of the Bagon office where he declares he has been since the accident excepting for a short time. He declares he can prove that he was in no way responsible for the accident.

WILL SING NO MORE EXCEPT FOR CHARITY Mmc. Patti. Makes Announcement After Great Triumph in London. London, Dec. 1.—After having achieved repeated triumphs with the more classic numbers, Adelina Patti chose for her farewell to a London audience this afternoon the two songs with which she won the hearts of the people of many countries—"Home, Sweet Home" and "Coming Through the Rye." Her rendering of these brought the vast audience which filled every corner of the Royal Albert hall, to its feet, and the famous artist received an ovation which is said to have been unequalled in her career. Mme. Patti was deeply touched. In an interview after the concert, she said: "This is absolutely the last time I shall sing in London as a professional. This is definite and absolute. My voice is no longer for sale, but I shall always be ready to sing for charity. I no longer need money, and besides, singing professionally means hard training. I am longing to feel that I can do as I like."

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PAID FOR KIDNAPING C.P.R. TRAIN ROBBERS. Announcement is Made of the Apportionment of the Reward Offered. Apportionment of the rewards offered for the capture of the men who held up the Canadian Pacific transcontinental train near Ducks on May 9th last, was announced yesterday, says the Vancouver Daily Province. The Vancouver Province has committed the C. P. R. offered \$3,000, the Dominion government \$2,000, and the post office \$1,000, in all \$6,000. The distribution will be on the following basis: J. Wilson, N.W.M.P. \$1,300 Sgt. T. M. Sheehy, N.W.M.P. 1,300 Corp. J. Stewart, N.W.M.P. 1,300 Corp. C. R. Peters, N.W.M.P. 1,300 Const. E. T. W. Pearce, N.W.M.P. 300 Philip Thomas, N.W.M.P. 300 Jimmie (Indian), Kamloops 700 Michelle (Indian), Kamloops 700 E. E. Carter, Kamloops 300 Total \$11,500 After the robbery, the men were taken to Dunsmuir and Colquhoun at Kamloops in June last and two governments and the railway company appointed a committee consisting of Mr. John R. Greenfield, inspector of the post office department; Mr. S. H. Hays, superintendent of the provincial police; and Mr. J. E. McMillan, solicitor for the Canadian Pacific company, to divide the rewards. This committee after careful consideration, made the decision as above. These rewards would have been distributed only after the capture of the men by the Audit Act, it is necessary that the post office department should have the government and so some delay has been occasioned on this point. STRIKE BREAKERS LEAVE. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 1.—In accordance with orders issued last night, the striking street car men reported for duty this morning and were assigned their old positions. The strike-breakers left town last night. The public is beginning again to patronize the cars.

TRAMPS START FIRE. Providence, R. I., Dec. 1.—Fire here believed to have been started by tramps, late this afternoon destroyed the coal pocket and sheds of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway company. The railroad ferry boat William T. Brewster, belonging to the New Haven company, which was tied up at the dock in front of the coal sheds, took fire and was destroyed. The loss to the coal pockets and vessel is estimated at \$25,000. Hard labor is a master that alleviates the pains of the mind.

MANUFACTURERS' ISSUE STATEMENT ON TARIFF. See no Benefits and Some Danger in the Government Policy. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 1.—A committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, headed by W. W. George, president of the association and prominent Liberal is chairman, has issued the following statement regarding the tariff: "The present tariff on raw materials is not only a protection against the United States, while on the other hand, the tariff on manufactured goods made applicable to the United States, would be disastrous to many industries. The various manufacturing sections of our political differences and misapprehensions have now under consideration the specific items."

BEEL DEFERS HIS GOTCH. New Orleans, La., Dec. 1.—Fred Beel of Wisconsin tonight won the Beel-Gotch prize, a \$10,000 prize offered by Frank Gotch in a three-fall fight. Beel took the last two falls after Gotch had won the first.

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THE BIBLE. Probably there never was a book written which has been subjected to so much hostile criticism as the Bible.

childhood looked upon the Bible seriously. To such it is difficult to speak understandingly.

It is not necessary to claim that the Bible is the word of God. It is beyond all question that it contains the word of God.

There are quite a number of people who affect to despise this book. Although there are more Bibles printed now than ever before.

We are told that when the early Church Fathers decided upon a Sacred Canon, learned men, not connected with the Church, ridiculed the idea.

It is impossible to support the statement by argument. If, however, we say that the Bible lives and grows in its influence upon mankind because it contains something that men love, we are on ground that cannot be disputed.

his courage, his honesty had a few unbankable things like that. Why should he not sit at the feet of the creaking jamaelids and learn wisdom?

CANADIAN SENTIMENT. Collier's Weekly says: Thanksgiving Day is an American heritage and as properly belongs to Canadians as to the people of the United States.

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There is no occasion to pursue the discussion as to whether Thanksgiving Day can be properly called an English institution. We are ready to grant that, although originated by Englishmen, it originated in America.

The pessimist and the optimist are always with us, and we would have fewer of the former if we had not so many of the latter. This lovely city on the strait, more beautiful for location than any on the American seaboard.

His stock argument is that Victoria is on an island. So it is; so also is New York, and when New York was no older than Victoria it was not half our quarter as good a town, nor did it have anything like as promising a future in sight.

Neither Canadian nor Mexican have the slightest objection to the nameless people living between us on this continent adopting the name of an Italian map maker, who stole the honors of Columbus from him.

A PRAYER CHAIN. Mrs. Herbert Kent sends us a letter, which is printed on this page. The prayer referred to in it is printed above her letter.

only once, but every day of their lives. The length of my very significant. A very much shorter one: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner."

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CURRENT VERSE. The Poet's Troubles. (Louisville Courier-Journal). 'Tis up against it, once again; I have to carve some "poetry" out. And yet, unshapely of men, I know not what to write about.

WHAT IS A FRIEND? If thou dost ask what is a friend, I'll answer thee, forsooth, A friend's a friend in age or youth, A friend continues to the end.

THE BABY. "She's a little blushing thing," "The mother said; "I do not have an hour of peace, Till she's in bed."

RUMBLE RHYMES. There once was a person named Chomondeley Whom the weather affected most romantically.

AUTO-BIOGRAPHY. An autocrat in an autocrat's world; Healed, he came unto start! My autotype of the granite Reads autonomic, I plainly see.

TWO YARNS. They were seated on the cracker barrels and soap boxes in the village grocer in an Oakland County town swapping yarns.

WAITED LONG. Philadelphia Bulletin. Sam Small, the reconverted evangelist, said in Atlanta:

A Significant Statement. Detroit Free Press. "How do you like your new automobile?" "I'm worried. The man that sold it to me said that it would last longer than I would."

How Soon? Cleveland Leader. "The Young Girl—" "But what would you do for me?" "The Old Sinner—" "I'd die for you!" "The Young Girl—" "That's all right—but how soon?"

THE STORY TELLER. Harper's Weekly. An Ohio man, who confesses to be an exceptionally inquisitive turn, recounts a story of an Irishman, employed as driver for a sprinkling cart in a town that state.

A GOOD EXCUSE. Rochester Herald. A Washington woman prominent in the official set of the national capital tells of a function to which she had invited an attaché of one of the legations.

NO CRUELTY HERE. A French aristocrat gave, in his secluded old mansion, an elaborate dinner. The dinner was a success from the oysters to the dessert, but one dish was particularly fine—so fine, in fact, that the cook was brought into the dining-room at twelve o'clock.

THE INFORMATION FEND. Argonaut. San Francisco was talking about the humorist Jerome K. Jerome.

ANOTHER WOMAN. A story is told of Sir Arnold Horsford, who believed in a celibate army. A soldier once sought his permission to marry, saying he had two good conduct badges and \$25 in the savings bank.

PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN. Sam Small, the reconverted evangelist, said in Atlanta: "Thus I know a cemetery where all the inscriptions, being conventional, remain intact. But one, a bizarre inscription, has been tampered with and made ridiculous."

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UNCOVER SYNDICATE BUYS SPART'S WHARVES... Known Waterfront Property Sells for Thirty-five Thousand Dollars... LUX FROM PRAIRIE PROVINCES

ANTILCHUS BROUGHT JAPANESE SEALSKINS... Thirty-three Casks Landed for Shipment to London Over C. P. R. System... TEES RETURNS FROM WEST COAST

Arrangements are now under way for the formation of another company in which some of those connected with the operation at Sechart are interested.

JAPANESE ACTIVITY IN NORTH KOREA... Causes Apprehension at Vladivostok—Trouble With China Over Kando Island

SEVEN SOLDIERS KILLED... The figure Nov. 23.—An official dispatch from Delhi, New Guinea, announces an encounter between a detachment of Dutch troops and a strong band of Alifur, who were traveling from Kanaka to Daka.

RAILWAY PRESIDENT Samuel Spencer and Party of Friends Are Victims of Wreck... Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 29.—Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern Railway company, and recognized as the foremost man in the development of the Southern States, and six other persons, were killed this morning in a rear-end collision between two fast passenger trains.

FIT-REFORM... FOUNDERS IN CANADA OF Hand Tailored Garments, Completely Finished

The Double Breasted Overcoat



It's more than warm and comfortable. It's stylish. Fit-Reform tailors men know how to combine all three of these essentials.

Made in the handsomest Scotch and Irish Tweeds you ever saw. Write for Samples and Self Measurement Blanks. Allen & Co., - Fit-Reform Wardrobe, Victoria, B. C.

Activity in the real estate market... has been apparent during the last two months, increases in local agents has so much business in his hands that he is forced to work early in the morning.

Steamer Antiochus, 9010 tons gross, reached port Thursday with full cargo of hemp, mulling rice, tea, oranges, etc., from Oriental ports and general merchandise, machinery, and other freight from the United Kingdom and two cabin and 192 Japanese steerage passengers.

CAPE HORN SEALERS... Capt. R. Balcom, who arrived Thursday from Halifax, reports that the Cape Horn sealers since October last in London brought prices twenty per cent higher than during the previous year.

CELEBES WAR ENDED AT LAST... Garrison in Eagle's Nest Fort Forced to Surrender by Use of Dynamite—Satsuma Launched

REBATES IN AUSTRALIA... Melbourne, Nov. 29.—Influence is being brought to bear to induce the federal government to prosecute the local representatives of the American Oil Company under the Anti-Trust act.

CONCESSIONS ARE MADE ON EDUCATION MEASURE... Lord Lansdowne Delivers Conciliatory Speech But Bad Feeling Still Prevails

STOVES and HEATERS

As the Winter Season is coming on rapidly a heater will soon be necessary. We have them in all sizes and prices. Also the largest stock of Stoves and Ranges in the province.

Albion Stove Works LIMITED. Victoria, B.C. Catalogue Sent for the Asking

ENGINE CAUSES TWO BAD ACCIDENTS... Ideas With Express Train, Backs Up and Kills C. & R. Workmen

BOAT WITH HISTORY... New Westminster, B.C., Nov. 29.—The Topaz, one of the latest acquisitions of the B. C. General Contracting Co., arrived in Victoria yesterday on its trial trip from the ways in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER TO GIVE \$5000 FOR SANITARIUM... This Recommendation is to Be Placed Before Board of Aldermen

COAL LADEN SCHOONER SINKS IN LAKE ERIE... Crew Abandon Ship and Reach Shore in an Exhausted Condition

NEW CABINET IN SPAIN... Madrid, Nov. 29.—Senor Moret, Y. Praderast has been named as premier and his appointments have been accepted by King Alfonso.

FEATHERSTONE TOLD THAT HE MUST HANG... Sheriff Richards Informed Condemned Man That Law Must Take Its Course

Hazelton and Bulkley Valley... Prospectors and intending settlers can be fully equipped at R. S. Sargent's General Store at Hazelton. All prospectors' groceries packed in cotton sacks. Small pack train in connection with business.

DREADED INSOMNIA... was afflicted with nervousness and insomnia, so that I never knew five years what a full hour's sleep meant.

FROM THE WEST COAST... Tees Returned Yesterday From Cape Scott and Way Ports

DEATH LIST INCREASES AT ROBURITE FACTORY... BUSINESS IS ACTIVE IN KITSSELAS CANYON

PHYSICIANS HAVE NO HOPE FOR RECOVERY OF SEVERAL OF THE WOUNDED... New Northern Town Will Be Distributing Point for G. T. P. Surveys

SCHOOL GIRL KILLED... London, Ont., Nov. 29.—Eva Simpson, 16 years of age, of Stanworth, was struck and instantly killed by an engine on the railway crossing at Coburne street yesterday.

OFFERS MILLION ACRES TO THE SALVATION ARMY... British South African Company Makes Colonization Proposition in Rhodesia

A CLOSE INSPECTION OF HARNESS... exhibited in our fine stock will reveal the reason for its superiority over all others.

OLD CAPTAIN DEAD... Hazelton, Ont., Nov. 29.—Captain Beattie, one of the oldest lake men in Ontario, is dead, aged 89

THE AMUR RESULTS... Steamer Amur, Capt. Locke, reached port Thursday from Naas and way ports of northern British Columbia.

DEPARTS FROM FEZ... Tangier, Nov. 29.—The American minister, Mr. Cummer, is reported to have left Fez, the capital of Morocco, without obtaining satisfaction from the Sultan in regard to the claims for indemnity made by citizens of the United States on alleged outrages or assurances regarding the safety of American citizens resident in Morocco.

WOMAN STRANGLED... New York, Nov. 29.—With her skull crushed and the finger prints of a stranger plainly marked on her throat, the body of Mrs. Caterina Pignato Bellomo, a comely Italian of 24 years, was found in her home in a rear tenement house in East 140th street today.

WANNIPEG BUILDING... Winnipeg, Nov. 29.—The Winnipeg building permits for the season now amount to \$12,500,000. It is expected that the amount will reach \$12,500,000 before the year is out.

OFFERED POSITION... Hazelton, Ont., Nov. 29.—Rev. J. W. Graham, pastor of the First Methodist Church of this city, a former pastor of St. James Church, Montreal, has been offered the assistant secretaryship of the Educational Society of the Methodist Church of Canada.

WOMAN STRANGLED... French foreign office to take measures to assure respect of existing treaties and to guarantee their personal security, declaring that they are threatened because of the existing anarchy and the helplessness of the Moorish government.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES... day, Nov. 29.—Dr. von Lecoq, has been traveling in the most remote parts of Central Asia on a scientific mission for the Prussian government, arrived at Strygnar, capital of Kasch, with an important collection of zoological discoveries.

THE WHALERS... New Company for Queen Charlotte—Capt. Balcom Back From Halifax

MELODY DEFEATS WALCOTT... Boston, Mass., Nov. 29.—"Honey" Melody of Chestnut was the better waltz champion of the world from Joe Walcott of London in the final round of the Boston City Melody contest.

FRENCHMEN WANT HELP... Tangier, Nov. 29.—The French residents of Tangier have petitioned the

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DAVID SPENCER LIMITED

First Christmas Announcement

CUPID has accomplished good work! The merry little fellow gave such a graphic and spirited account of last year's doings in Spencer's to Old Father Christmas that the good old fellow decided then and there to make the great emporium the greatest distribution point in Western Canada for merriment and goodwill by all and through all who cross its threshold. From across continents and seas he has ushered the world's best productions, whilst a right royal welcome has been planned for his admirers and the festive garments and artistic effects have been developed by one of his chief emissaries. Something for everybody in town and out of town! No one has been overlooked. Before going to press with this announcement the following message was received from Father Christmas:—

"Only 20 shopping days left! Commence festivities next week in order to cope with the thousands who will enter your store to inspect and buy the goods I have provided for everyone's pleasure. Remember well the little ones so dear to me! Increased space has been acquired upon the 3rd floor of your establishment to accommodate the thousands of good things I have reserved for their especial delight. Here, too, older folk will find just what they are seeking. I have arranged it so. Also an Oriental Tea Room is installed to refresh those who will get overburdened with joys that abound everywhere. Earliest and Heartiest Greetings To All!"

FATHER CHRISTMAS

We have, as announced yesterday, a Great Sale of Robes Tomorrow. There are but 90 Dresses. Our lady patrons will delight in securing such choice creations at sale prices. They are just the very thing for the festive season. We cordially invite you to inspect these dresses that will quickly clear tomorrow. Also, we have the balance of our Fall Costumes on sale tomorrow. 80 only, values up to \$65. Every Costume Clears for \$17.50.

Something Within the Means of Everyone

Dainty Slippers

For dress wear and Cosy Slippers for home use are never deprecated as a Christmas gift. We have some good values to offer you.

- Women's Patent Colt, 4 strap Slippers, Louis XV heel, turn sole, per pair \$4.00
- Women's Patent Colt, 1 strap Slippers, Louis XV heel, turn sole, per pair \$3.00
- Women's Vici Kid Slippers, turn sole, Louis XV heel, 1 strap, per pair \$2.50
- Women's Kid Slippers, 1 strap with bow, flexible sole, per pair \$1.75
- Women's Hand Knitted Dressing Slippers, Lamb's soles; in color, blue, pink, red, and mixed colors, per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.25
- Men's Kid Romeo Slippers, turn leather sole \$2.25
- Men's Kid Romeo Slippers, per pair \$2.00 and \$1.50
- Men's Felt Slippers, per pair \$1.00
- Men's Patent Pumps, per pair \$3.50 and \$2.00
- Misses' Patent Vamp, 1 strap Slipper, kid back, spring heel, per pair \$1.50
- Misses' Patent 1 strap Slipper, bow, spring, heel, per pair \$2.00
- Misses' Patent Leather Court Tie, per pair \$2.00
- Child's 1 strap Kid Slippers, per pair \$1.25, \$1.00 and 75c
- Boys' Dongola Kid Slippers, per pair \$1.00 to \$1.25
- Infants' soft sole Slippers, per pair 50c and 25c.

Travelling Bags

And Suit Cases form useful and handsome presents. Do not hesitate to buy. We are assured no greater pleasure could be given.

Handsome English and Canadian leather Travelling Bags and Suit Cases, fitted and plain at prices from \$5.00 to \$55.00

Candies for the Sweet!

A pleasure always lays around a choice box of candies as an Xmas gift. We have a delicious collection that cannot fail to be sold early. Cadbury's assorted Creams in Choice Fancy Boxes, daintily decorated with colored ribbons, are 1-4 lb. 10c.; 1-2 lb. 15c.; 1 lb. 30c.; 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.75. Rowntree's assorted Creams in 1-lb. boxes for 45c.

Suitable and Serviceable Presents

Are to be found in the Ladies' and Children's Hosiery Department.

We Have a Few Special Lines

Ladies Black Cashmere Hose, embroidered fronts, in all colors, per pair, \$1.00, 75c, and 65c. A similar line in lace and embroidered fronts, per pair, \$1.00, 75c, and 65c.

THE BEST VALUE ANYWHERE.

Ladies' plain black Cashmere Hose for winter wear, (all wool) per pair 50c. Ladies' black Lisle Thread Hose, lace fronts, per pair, 50c. Ladies' black Lisle Hose (all over lace) per pair, \$1.00. Ladies' black Cotton Hose, very special value, per pair 25c.

We have a large variety of Stock Silk and Lace Hose, per pair \$2.50 to \$5.00. Silk and Cotton Mixture Hose, lace and plain, per pair \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50 and \$1.25. We hold our usual large stock of Boys' and Girls' warm Winter Hose at prices that cannot be beaten, these make very useful Christmas presents.

It matters not which department you visit! Attractive Goods at Styre Prices will suggest what you have been puzzling about.

Gents' Furnishing Department

Money invested for presents in the Gentlemen's Furnishing Department will give pleasure to receiver and giver.

TIES. The latest creations in English Square Ascots, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each. Handkerchief Derbys in broadened silks, 75c; Flowing Ends, light and dark shades, 50c; Four-in-Hands in shot, plain and fancy silks, 50c, and 75c; New Bar Wing Ties, 50c; and a large assortment of strings for bows, 25c. The largest stock of 25c Ties ever held in Victoria. All the newest shades and colors.

GLOVES. Leading lines in Dent's English Gloves, unlined in new shades of tan, West End, Lincoln and Cromer, pair, \$1.50. Perrin's and Dent's French Gloves in wool lined, Mocha, per pair \$1.50. Special line of wool lined Dogskin for driving 65c. Fancy Wool Gloves, per pair 35c. and 50c.

HANDKERCHIEFS. Twilled Silk Handkerchiefs expressly appeal to every gentleman; both useful and ornamental. We have a larger stock than ever to select from. Plain and white silk at 50c, and 75c. Also in every initial same price. Fancy Centered Handkerchiefs in silk 50c, 75c, and \$1.00, in all manner of colorings. The latest hit in plain colors, navy blue, dark green, reseda grey, red, at 50c. Silk Squares for neck scarfs in black and white, broad silk \$1.00 to \$3.00. Black silk and satin Mufflers for evening wear, lined with white satin, \$1.25 to \$3.50.

BRACES. Colored Braces in gift boxes, silk web, silk ends, silver mountings, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00. Special silk web in braces 60c. All these can be embroidered with monogram. Leading lines, President, Gordon, French Braces, "Guisot", 50c. And other good makes.

From the Poorest to the Richest!

Our Stationery Department

Books for Children

- Chatterbox for 1906, 75c; Chatterbox, Natural History, Chatterbox, Wild West, Chatterbox Picture Book, 60c.; Boys' Own and Girl's Own, Sunday at Home, at, each \$1.75
- Treasure Island, Arabian Nights, Story of the Bible, Water Babies, Little Lame Prince, Nursery Tales, The Age of Fable, Christmas Stories, Gulliver's Travels, Pilgrims Progress, Anderson's Fairy Tales, Rip Van Winkle, Robinson Crusoe, Tales from Shakespeare, Robin Hood, Wood's Natural History, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, and others, 35c.
- Gift books in fancy binding, each 35c; gift books in fancy white and gold, each 60c.; Gift books in oose leather binding, each 50c.; gift books in limp calf, each \$1.00; Gift books in oose calf, very handsome, \$2.00; Books, at, each \$1.25. Books, per set \$1.00.
- Books from 10c. upwards, in plain and fancy bindings up to \$5.00.
- A large assortment of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymns, in prices from 25c. to \$4.50.
- Fountain Pens, from \$1.00 to \$7.50.
- Bottles of Perfume in artistically furnished boxes from 25c to \$10.00.

A full list of Toilet Requisites and Fancy Perfumes will be announced shortly.

Xmas Cards and Calendars
In Endless Variety!

Ladies' Belts
A choice line in Fancy Belts in Silk, Duchesse, and Kid (steal studied) in all the richest shades of the season. Sizes from 22 to 30. Prices \$1.25 to \$5.00.

What is nicer than a SCARF-PIN or set of CUFF-LINKS?

We have just received some very neat haberdashery for gentlemen. We stock all the best lines in Dent's English and Perrin's Gloves, some of the best and newest kinds, such as the West End, Lincoln and Cromer, besides many others, lined and unlined, at prices from \$1.00 to \$2.50.

SPECIAL
A Heavy Wool-Lined Glove for Driving 65c
Fancy Wool Gloves at 35c and 50c

Furniture

Always gives pleasure. We have the very thing you want.

What can a lady better appreciate than a handsome writing desk in old oak, golden oak or mahogany. Prices range from \$11.25.

And for a gentleman, a handsome old oak chair, covered with Spanish leather, in prices up from \$12.50.

Handkerchiefs and Fans

Are always acceptable as gifts. We have some dainty lines at all prices.

Scalloped Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 25c. to \$2.50 each; Pure Linen Hemstitched Embroidered, 25c. to \$2.50 each; Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initialed Handkerchiefs, 15c. to 25c each; Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, price \$1.50 to \$6.00 dozen; Handkerchiefs for fancy cushion tops, 12 1/2-2c. each; Ladies' Silk Hemstitched Initialed Handkerchiefs, 25c. and 35c. each. Real Lace Handkerchiefs, Maitese, \$3.50 to \$20.00. Fancy Chiffon and Lace Fans in black and white price, each \$2.50 to \$20.00. Feather Fans, price, each \$4.50 to \$6.00.

Fancy Neckwear

- Fancy Lace and Chiffon Collars, each 75c to \$2.50
- Silk Collars in different shades, trimmed with pearl beads from 15c. to \$1.50
- Oral Ancene Lace Collars, trimmed with beads and buttons, from 50c. to \$1.00
- Chiffon Applique Collars in different shades from \$1.00 to \$3.00
- Embroidered Linen Cuffs and Collars from, a set 35c. to \$1.50
- Fancy Turnover Collars, from, each 10c. to 75c.

Gloves for Ladies

- Ladies' Evening Gloves, Glace and Suede, white and pastel, \$1.75 to \$2.75
- Ladies' evening Gloves (silk) cream and white, per pair \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00
- Ladies' evening Mitts (silk lace), black, cream and white, per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.25
- Special line in Washable Mode Glace Kid Evening Gloves, per pair \$2.75

Trefouse Gloves

- Ladies' Glace and Suede, 3 clasp, black, white, beaver, tan, mode, brown and grey (guaranteed) \$1.50
- Ladies' Glace, 2 clasp, plique sewn, black, white, tan, beaver, mode brown, grey, navy red and green (guaranteed), per pair \$1.50
- Ladies' Suede and Glace Kid Gloves, all shades \$1.00
- Our Winter stock of Fleece and Fur Lined Kid Gloves is now complete \$1.00 to \$1.75
- Girls' and Boys' Fleece Lined Gloves, 75c
- Girls' and Boys' Woolen Gloves, 35c and 25c
- Ladies' and Children's Fleece Lined Mitts \$1.00 and 75c
- Ladies' and Children's Woolen Mitts 50c and 25c

The Bazaar and Fancy Goods Fair

(Third Floor) is simply a Mecca of Toys, Dolls, Games and Fancy Goods, suitable for presentation to young and old. All the latest mechanical toys that human ingenuity can contrive, every conceivable article of amusement for the little ones, and every imaginable article for older folk. An attempt to adequately describe this galaxy of desirable Christmas gifts would be almost impossible. We have made a few selections for our first announcement.

Wooden horses, 25c to 75c; bleating sheep, 50c to \$1.50; cows' mooring, 75c to \$2.00; elephants with heads in motion, 75c; donkeys braying, \$1.00; horse and waggon 50c to 75c; poultry sets, 50c; musical rollers, 25c to 75c; musical tops, 50c; draught boards and men, 25c; pyramid blocks, 25c; ordinary boards, 25c to \$1.00; drawing slates, 10c to 75c; paint boxes, 15c to 50c; paint boxes with lock and key, 75c to \$1.75; magic lanterns, \$1.25 to \$3.00; conjuring tricks, 35c to \$1.00; the great naval game "Togo", \$2.00; drums from 25c to \$1.50; soldiers, firemen and police outfits, from 35c to 75c. Dolls from 5c to \$12.50.

See what a great emporium has accomplished in one of the most magnificent collections of dolls ever seen—dressed and undressed, attired simply, attired gorgeously—dressed in various costumes, in different nationalities, at really superb collection—Hundreds and hundreds to select from. Dolls' furniture and houses from 35c to \$2.50. Dolls very handsome tea sets from \$3.00 to \$10.00. A ladies' or gentlemen's Umbrella is well appreciated as a Xmas gift, we have a large assortment of ladies' Umbrellas, each with gold, silver, pearl, oxidized and ivory mounts, with a choice selection of handles at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00, up to \$25.00. Also—A fresh arrival of Gents' Umbrellas, each with gold, silver and horn mounts at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 up to \$17.50. Gramophones at \$2.75 and \$2.00. Records—Some hundreds to select from 35c.

House Painting

The House Painting and Decorating Department are not to be left out in this first Christmas announcement. They are alive to the fact that home at this season should be beautiful; and in order to demonstrate to you what our new department can accomplish, an extraordinary offer is made to you, viz., for every \$50 order given to embellish the interior of your house in decorative work, painting, etc., you will be entitled to a Hand-Painted Frieze or Border by our artist. This offer remains open to and including Christmas Eve only.

Hair Ornaments

Hair Ornaments can never fail to give pleasure. We have Tortoise shell combs richly jeweled with brilliants and pearls, set \$2.50. Back combs in amber, tortoise shell, steel and gold mounted, from 50c. to \$3.00.

25c and 50c Tables

Do not miss these when in the Fancy Fair on the Third Floor. Observe the extensive area of space set apart for choice goods from \$1.00 to \$10.00. Hundreds of exquisite presents in every possible variety.

Keep This Announcement for Reference!

To Suit the Taste of the Simplest or Most Fastidious

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B. C. FRUIT WIN

Captures First Prize and Ten Addit

London, Dec. 5, 1906. Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Victoria: Medals awarded at Royal Horticultural Association show today: 1st, gold medal; individual exhibitors, gold medals. Names of exhibitors: R. M. PA

The above cablegram received by Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, tells of the success of the British Columbia exhibit at the Royal Horticultural Association show today. The exhibit, which was made up of fruit from this province, won the gold medal over all competitors. An exhibit was made at Edinburgh that the gold medal over all competitors. Then an exhibit was made at London, England, where there was no competition for the gold medal; but the Columbia fruit attracted much attention. Two more shows are to be held, and the fruit will be at each.

Previous Exhibits in England, the successes have been in 1903 Messrs. Striding and Co. of Kelowna, on Okanagan lake, a trial carload of apples to Glasgow. The shipment consisted of Baldwin, Ontario and Canada. They arrived in Glasgow, Scotland, November 9th, in splendid condition at six shillings per box, or \$1 more per barrel than the eastern Canadian apples. The British Columbia apples much interest among fruit dealers as consumers and many persons eager to secure shipment of splendid fruit. In the year 1904, the British Columbia department of agriculture forwarded a collection of British Columbia fruit to London for exhibition purposes.

Consisted of apples, pears and plums, including the following varieties: Fall Pippins, Kings, Vanderveer, 7-ounce Pippins, Blue Pearmain, Gravenstein, from Lytton, Ontario, Jonathan, from St. John's, British Columbia, and from Kelowna and Lytton: Yellow Greening, Golden Russet, and Blenheim Orange. Vancouver, British Columbia, and from Kelowna and Lytton: Pears—Beurre Clairgeau, Beurre d'Anjou and from Kelowna and Lytton: Plums from the exhibit was greatly appreciated and evoked the highest encomiums while hesitating to declare the superior to the best English specimen. The exhibit was very nearly perfect in color, shape and size, and after having traveled 6,000 miles by way and steamship. The Royal Horticultural Society's appreciation of fruit was shown by the award of a gold medal and diploma.

Proves Great Advertisement. One result of this exhibit was the luring of the agent general of Columbia, (Hon. J. H. Turner, of Victoria, B.C.), to the exhibit. He is now fruit dealers anxious to do with British Columbia fruit. It is momentarily satisfy the clamor of Columbia fruit. The fact of its good qualities, the dep

SON OF LORD MAYOR JAILED IN WINN

Frederick Hoy is Charged Stealing From the Willia Piano Company

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Frederick Hoy, a son of the Lord Mayor of Winnipeg, is now occupying a cell in the station pending inquiry into a charge against him of stealing from the Willia Piano company. Hoy has been in this country for some time. His friends have done their best for him and have located him in a room at the station, but he seems unwilling to conduct himself in a proper manner and every position for him has been lost. Yesterday he was received from his father to up his indebtedness and it is likely it will be devoted towards send home to England.

CAR FOUNDRY BURNE Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Fire destroyed part of the plant of the Eriean Car Foundry company at Buffalo and at one time threatened the suburb. One building 600 by 100 feet, the main building of the car shops, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

BANK TELLER MISSING Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5.—C. Anderson, collection teller of the First National bank of this city, is missing. President E. F. Swinney today that Anderson was about \$900 in his accounts. The bank has sworn out a warrant for his arrest.

REORGANIZE TIMES. London, Dec. 5.—The Chances today granted an order allowing reorganization of the London Times stock company. The company's notable departure in the methods of the representative journal. The court, in granting the order, also directed that a general accounting be made of the assets. The order was granted by mutual consent of the proprietors agreeing to the reorganization.