

STEADY GROWTH IN STEEL INDUSTRY

SATISFACTORY REPORT ON YEAR'S OPERATIONS

Bounty Has Resulted in Reduced Imports and Increasing Export

There has just been compiled in the Department of Mines by the minister in charge, Hon. William Templeman, an interesting report on the production of iron and steel in Canada during the fiscal year 1909.

The iron and steel industry in Canada in 1909 shows a very satisfactory and steady growth as compared with previous years.

There was a larger production of iron than in 1908; an increased output of pig iron from Canadian blast-furnaces and a larger production of steel pig iron and castings.

Although iron ores are of wide occurrence throughout Canada, being found especially in every province, the development of these resources has not kept pace with the growth of our iron metallurgical industries.

About 77 per cent. of the iron ore used in Canadian furnaces during 1909 was of domestic origin.

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There were shipped from Newfoundland in 1909 about 1,100,000 tons of ore, of which about 87,000 tons were sent to Canada for use at Sydney.

From 1904 to 1909, the total production of iron in Canada to the end of 1909 has probably only slightly exceeded 6,000,000 tons.

The production of pig iron and steel is still confined to the eastern half of Canada, chiefly in the provinces of Ontario and Nova Scotia.

The total imports of iron and steel goods during the fiscal year ending March, 1909, was \$40,283,431.

The total exports of iron and steel goods during the fiscal year ending March, 1909, was \$12,127,679.

The difficulties which had arisen between the Dominion Coal Company and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, respecting the supply of coke to the latter, and which had to considerable extent interfered with the Steel Company's output, were satisfactorily settled in the early part of the year.

The Algoma Steel Company has made arrangements for the construction of an additional blast-furnace of 400 tons capacity, and the erection of a merchant mill for the manufacture of structural steel.

The total shipment of iron ore from mines in Canada in 1909 were 2,820,000 tons, valued at \$60,210 at the shipping point.

During the past fourteen years the iron smelting industry in Canada has had to draw more and more upon imported supplies of iron ore, a large portion of these supplies being, however, from Newfoundland, which should hardly be looked upon as a foreign source, though for purposes of commerce it has to be so considered.

The total consumption of iron ore in Canadian furnaces in 1909 was 1,462,292 tons, made up of 277,802 tons of Canadian ore and 1,184,490 tons of imported ore.

The Canadian production was therefore, only about 18 per cent. of our requirements. Previous to 1906 the furnaces were supplied almost entirely by Canadian ores.

The opening of the Helen mine at Michipicoten, and more recently the Moose Mountain mines in Utah township, considerable quantities of iron ore have been exported to the United States.

The total production of pig iron in Canadian blast-furnaces in 1909 was 707,000 tons, valued at \$11,881,884, as compared with 626,825 short tons, 652,246 long tons, valued at \$11,100,000 in 1908.

An increase in the production of pig iron, therefore, shown of 126,275 tons, or about 20 per cent., and this despite the fact that the long open-hearth furnaces were out of commission during the whole year.

These figures do not include the output from electric furnaces, making ferro-products, which are situated at Welland and Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and Buckingham.

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WRECKED STEAMER TO PROCEED TO SEATTLE

Settlement Reached Between Owners and Underwriters Regarding Salvage

(From Saturday's Daily.) After lying at the outer dock for the past six months the wrecked steamer "Yucatan" of the Alaska Steamship Company is to leave this port for Seattle in a few days.

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Which Is Believed to Have Pondered With All Hands in the Recent Gale off Cape Flattery.

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- "1. Shall the business of the city be administered by elected commissioners, leaving to the council matters of legislation and policy only?"
- "2. Shall improvements be exempt from taxation?"
- "3. Shall provision be made for the building of a new city hall to include a hall for public meetings?"
- "4. Shall the police and license commissioners be elected by the voters of the city?"
- "5. Shall saloon and bottle licenses be abolished and licenses for the sale of liquor by retail be granted only to hotels complying with the statutory requirements?"

On taking the petition from the table the mayor asked if it was the wish of the board that the matter be submitted to a vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative. In respect to the first question he was sure that if it were submitted to a vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative. In respect to the first question he was sure that if it were submitted to a vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative.

Ald. Fullerton moved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Ald. Raymond, in respect to clause one, reminded the board that a motion had been passed earlier in the year asking the legislature to give the council wider powers for the board of control plan, and that being the case it might be better to await the action of the legislature.

Ald. Langley protested against the manner in which the petition had been introduced. "People should know what they are asked to vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative. In respect to the first question he was sure that if it were submitted to a vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative.

Ald. Bishop thought that the matter should be left over for the consideration of the incoming council. Ald. Raymond said that as far as he was concerned he would be willing to protect Sooke lake unless the other waterworks are controlled. It would be for this purpose alone something like \$250,000, at some 34,000 acres would be acquired.

Clause three reads that the water commissioner shall from time to time therefore it was no use asking for such a system here. Ald. McKewen expressed himself as opposed to the first clause in any manner, shape or form.

Ald. Langley was not sure that it was part of the duty of the council to answer any question to the electors in response to the prayer of a certain number of petitioners. It was very easy to get up a petition on any old thing. The present petition was not signed by a representative body of citizens.

It was finally decided to refer this question to next year's council. Question two was allowed to stand. In connection with question three Ald. Bannerman said the finance committee would like that to stand over. In his opinion it was more important that the city should have a good sewerage system than an improved city hall.

Ald. Raymond took the same view of the matter. What Victoria needed far more than a new city hall were roads, sewers, water and light—things which could come a little later on. In his opinion the present city hall was far superior to that possessed by many other cities of even greater population.

Ald. Bishop advised proceeding very cautiously in the matter of incurring expense. Victoria had been very fortunate in the past few years in being able to collect about 95 per cent. of its taxes, but if a bad year intervened and this collection fell to, say, 60 per cent., the situation would really be a very serious one.

The mayor asked Ald. Fullerton to take the chair while he made a few remarks in reply to Ald. Bannerman. He charged that the latter was "cross-firing," in that a short time before he had said that the city did not need a new species of civic government and now he was showing up how rotten was the present system. He could assure members of the board that the

people wanted those things which had been asked for in the petition and if they did not get them, when the final summing up came some members of the board would find out where they stood.

The remaining questions were allowed to stand and the petition as amended adopted. The city solicitor will at once prepare the necessary by-law for the taking of the referendum vote.

ROLL OF DEAD IS PLACED AT 41

STOCK YARDS FIRE IS STILL BLAZING FIERCELY

Fifteen Chicago Firemen, in Addition to Known Dead, Are Missing

NEW FIVE SISTERS' BLOCK

PICKETING CHARGES DROPPED BY STATE

Los Angeles Brewery and Metal Workers Not to Be Prosecuted

AVIATOR GRACE IS BEING LOOKED FOR

London, Dec. 23.—Hoping that the broad wings of his Wright biplane may have kept him from sinking in the Goodwin quicksands, rescue parties, searching for Cecil Grace, the aviator, lost yesterday while attempting to re-cross the English Channel after a successful flight from Dover to Calais.

MOTHER DEAD AND DAUGHTER MAY DIE

Mysterious Poisoning in What Was First Thought a Starvation Case

CHICAGO, CAL. - Dec. 23.—Mrs. William Whitelie is dead, and her daughter, Miss Lavina Corey, both victims of poisoning is critically ill, while the police are investigating what they believe is a mysterious murder. The two women, found yesterday and carried from their home to a hospital, were supposed to have entered into a starvation compact. Physicians after an examination, declared that both had been poisoned.

A NERVOUS ROBBER

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 23.—After robbing, single-handed, nearly a score of passengers on an eastbound southern railway train near the Panhandle, an unidentified bandit is believed to have made his way into Mexico, and the police to-day offer little hope that he will be captured.

HANGING NO DETERRENT

Penitentiary Head Advises Life Sentence With Possible Pardon

Salem, Ore., Dec. 23.—"It does not appear that the increasing number of executions in this state has operated as a deterrent of the crime of homicide," says Superintendent W. James of the Oregon state penitentiary, in his annual report to the governor, just made public, "and as a result of my investigation, observation and experience during the past eight years, I am fully convinced that capital punishment should be abolished."

MILITARY FUNERAL FOR FIRE CHIEF

Chicago Will Honor the Men Who Died at Their Post of Duty

COOK RETURNS

PATRICK STAYS WEST

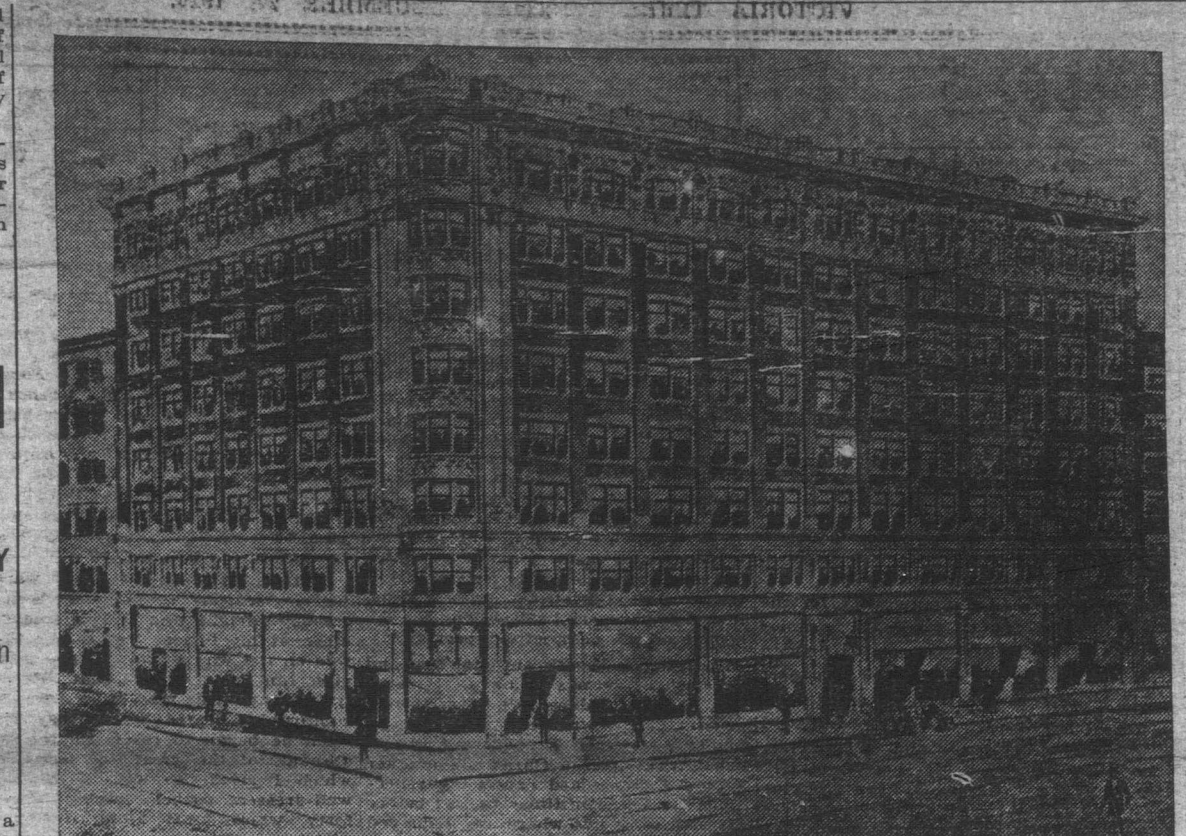
BERKELEY UNIVERSITY RUGBY TEAM

Engineers and Railway Managers Confer on New Peace Proposals

FURTHER EFFORTS TO AVERT STRIKE

THREE BURNED IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—In a fire that caused \$200,000 damages in the Baronne street business district and heavily damaged the new Shubert theatre, three negroes were fatally burned to-day. For a time the fire threatened the entire district, but finally was brought under control.



Sketch of building to be erected on corner of Port and Government streets; plans for which have been forwarded to England for the approval of the directors of the estate, by Thomas Hooper, architect.



The members of the Berkeley University Rugby football team arrived from California last night to play a series of matches with the Victoria Rugby Club. Following are the principal members of the Berkeley team with their positions: 1, Peart, centre-threequarter; 2, Evans, wing-threequarter; 3, Schaeffer, touch; 4, Jordan, back; 5, Jay Dwigging, full back; 6, Chat Allen, outside five; 7, Mohr, half-back; 8, Elliot, (capt.) inside-five; 9, Vela, inside-half; 10, McQuinn, forward.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 23.—Cases against 79 men charged with violating the anti-picketing ordinance will not come to trial. The cases were dismissed to-day by Police Judge Frederickson at the instance of Assistant Prosecutor Irving Reeve. The reason given was that the men were accounted for in some other way.

The following is a revised list of the dead, so far as the bodies have been recovered: James Horan, fire marshal; William J. Burroughs, second assistant fire marshal; Herman Brandenberg, lieutenant; Patrick E. Collins, captain; Thos. Costello, policeman; Nicholas Gray, truckman; Ed. ward J. Denis, lieutenant; Nicholas Doyle, truckman; Andrew Dymuran, fire watchman; Charles Leen, clerk Chicago Junction railway; Charles Moore, truckman; Albert Moriarty, truckman; George Maurasick, policeman; Edward Schoenast, truckman; William F. Weber, policeman; George Enthoff, policeman; W. G. Sturm, lieutenant; Peter Powers, truckman; Michael McInerney, truckman; Ralph Reap, private fireman; Bennie Doyle, captain; Frank Walters, policeman.

The wreckage and tallow house are still burning but it is now believed that with no change in the wind there is little danger of the fire spreading to the other parts of the fire department. A roll call of the entire fire department probably will be taken some time during the day. At first it was planned to call the roll at 10 o'clock, but Ald. Mayor Sweeney decided that fire fighting was the first duty and the men are on duty.

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CHURCH AND THE STATE IN SPAIN

CORTES PASSES BILL FOR THEIR SEVERANCE

Government Will Follow This Up With Measures of Social Reform

(Times Leased Wire.) Madrid, Dec. 23.—Despite Carlist and Clerical attempts to impede the progress of the measure, the Cortes to-day passed the famous "Padlock bill," virtually providing for the separation of Church and State in Spain and restricting the establishment of religious orders.

Premier Canalejas did not notify the opposition that the bill would be considered, but quietly directed the anti-Clerical and members of the government party to be in their seats. When sufficient votes were on hand the measure was presented and passed.

Perfectly aware that the passage of the bill will cause the Church to appeal to the people to overthrow the government, the premier has announced that he will proceed with further anti-Clerical legislation and seek the adoption of a plan for the improvement of the condition of the Spanish masses.

Friends of the premier declare that politics as well as humanitarian interests demand this action. It is asserted that Canalejas believes that if, upon the overthrow of the power of the Church, the condition of the people is improved, they will attribute the betterment to the abolition of the Church's power and will be heedless of the Clerical outcries against the administration.

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More Trouble Over Creosoted Blocks
Contractor Says Culls Once Rejected Are Accepted by Inspector
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Like all countries which have a considerable seaboard and are consequently interested in the carrying trade of the world, Japan has its naval question and to-day it is looming large in that country.

TERMS MADE BETWEEN COMPANY AND CITY
Grand Trunk Pacific Gets Fixed Assessment for Ten Years in Rupert
Prince Rupert, Dec. 22.—D'Arcy Tate, G. T. P. solicitor, is on his way to Montreal with a draft agreement between the city and the company.

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LOYAL MR. BARNARD
Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his speech on the Address in the House of Commons a few weeks ago, discussing the naval policy of the government, with his usual prescience, said: "In Quebec the policy will be attacked on the ground that it is a separatist measure."

That resolution seems hardly consonant with the position now taken by Mr. Barnard that the construction of a Canadian navy should not be undertaken without first consulting the people through a referendum.

For Women and Girls
PEARL SET BEAUTY PINS
GOLD PLATE VEIL PINS
HEAVY STERLING SILVER "TIGHTWAD," Smallest and Thinnest Bell Fold.

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CAR TICKET CASE
COIN TRAY, solid leather
LETTER BOOK
CHANGE PURSE
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BOOTEES, \$1.00 to .15c
WOOLEN JACKETS, \$1.50 to \$1.25
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It must be noted that the magisterial decision was made on the 15th of November, before the license board was fully constituted.

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- CUFF BAGS, \$1.25
- MILITARY BRUSHES, \$2.75
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- HANDKERCHIEFS, 50¢ to 25¢

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- WOOLLEN MUFFLER
- SILK SCARF MUFFLER
- SILK HOSE
- HAND PURSE
- BRILLIANT HAT PINS
- BRILLIANT BEAUTY PINS
- BOX OF HANDKERCHIEFS AT 75¢
- LLAMA WOOL MUFFLER
- SOFT WOOL MTC. SCARF
- BLACK AND GOLD COLLAR WITH JABOT
- LACE COLLAR, JABOT ATTACHED
- VELVET ELASTIC BELT
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- DRESSES, 15¢ to 25¢
- DRESSES, 75¢ to 25¢
- DRESSES, 25¢ to 35¢
- BOOKS, \$1 to 15¢

LIMITED

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

An automatic weight bell will be operated during fog without further notice, from a concrete beacon situated on the north side of First Narrows, Vancouver harbor, opposite Prospect Point lighthouse. The bell will give one blast every five seconds.

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OUR ENGINEER'S CHRISTMAS CAROL

(An Acrostic.)

By J. J. M.

A way from the turmoil and troubles of life,
Harrassed by no sorrows or worries of strife;
I way from the "rats" which that insidious mule
Futs forth as the cause of all civic misrule.
Fut by for the season are voices and banings
Yates street improvements and those excavations
C harked out by the Mayor for that telephone "Kitty,"
H use-out now on poles which disgrace the city.
R efreshed by the prospect of having a rest,
I 'm fully determined to just take the best
S uicide I've had since I came this "shop"
T o straighten the matters neglected by Topp.
M y recent vexations I'll toss to the winds,
A nd despite those ideas which haunt evil minds;
S ince Peace and Good-will have now come at last
T o all who are ready to bury the past.
O all my fond wishes, the greatest and best,
A nd the one which I'm certain contains all the rest,
L es herein disguised, although easily seen—
L ook down the "Great Letters" and spell what I mean.

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The charge was instigated by the mayor through the city solicitor. The hotel was granted a license in the name of Bosustow and Adutt, the fee for which was paid to the city by L. J. Quagliotti, the owner, in July last. Quagliotti then took over the premises and was refused a temporary permit by Mayor Morley on three occasions. Magistrate Jay at the hearing reserved his decision until this morning. The decision given, after reciting the facts of the case, read as follows:

It must be noted that the mayor had knowledge in July that defendant had taken possession of the premises and that on the 15th of November, if not before, the license board was fully cognizant of the conditions under which the defendant was carrying on the business upon the premises, and although the board had been held, viz: on the 14th September and the 14th December, besides extraordinary sessions—no attempt had been made by the board to interfere with prevailing conditions.

The board under the powers conferred by the municipal clauses act might have either suspended or cancelled the license, but have not done so, and in my opinion, being, as previously pointed out, aware that the defendant was selling liquor under the existing license to Bosustow, have tacitly concurred in the irregularity.

It was contended by counsel for the defendant that he was carrying on business as the agent for Bosustow, but such a position is not consistent with the facts disclosed, nor with the power contained in the lease, which is limited to the purpose before mentioned.

It may be pointed out that section 179 of the municipal clauses act, which is the section relied upon by the prosecution, inasmuch as it includes the penalty "the amount which should have been paid for the license," might be contended to apply only to those cases in which no license is in existence. In the case before me there is an existing license, and while it still continues to stand in the name of Bosustow, I think that in view of the attitude of the board in the matter, and for the reasons before stated, the defendant should not be penalized for what may be considered only a technical breach of the act. It is a matter within the powers of the licensing board.

ROYAL OAK NEWS

A dance was held in the Royal Oak hall last Thursday night, and proved another success. W. J. Quick acted as floor manager and announced that New Year's evening (Monday night), the Royal Oak Athletic association would give a dance to their friends. This new institution, by this means makes its bow to the public, after which it is intended to take on the game of basketball and other indoor sports during the winter months.

At the school closing a presentation was made to the retiring teacher, Miss Holt. A beautiful silver tea set was presented by Mrs. Rogers on behalf of the parents. Miss Holt has been a popular teacher and general regret is felt that she is leaving.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' institute was held in the schoolhouse on Saturday night. Officers were elected as follows: President, F. G. Quick; vice-president, P. D. Goepel; sec.-treas., C. E. King; directors, J. Nicholson, J. Pim, J. R. Carmichael, L. Duval, Jr., D. Smith, E. McCulloch, R. Hutchinson, J. J. Clarke, J. A. Grant, W. Quick; auditors, W. Lowland and W. Jackson; delegate to the Central Institute, F. G. Quick. It was decided to hold a banquet at the Royal Oak hall in January and an annual picnic on Labor Day. An effort

ADOPT REPORT; THEN KILL IT

SOMERSAULT BY STREETS COMMITTEE

After Deciding to Take Certain Course They Hear City Solicitor and Do Not

(From Saturday's Daily.)
The city solicitor cannot bring himself to agree with the judgment of Mr. Justice Gregory, who decided against the city in the Rockland avenue roadway construction case, and he gave it as his opinion last night at the meeting of the streets, bridges and sewers committee that that decision would be upset when the case came before the higher court. He also said that he was not alone in his opinion; that the city barrister and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., agreed with him.

His remarks followed a discussion on the sub-committee's report regarding the paving of Vancouver and Oliphant streets, where the property owners object to the unworkmanlike and unfinished manner in which the macadam roadway on those streets has been put down. On the advice of the solicitor the committee decided that to alter the class of construction now would be impossible, and that the present undertaking should remain as it is, with the exception that the city will keep the road in repair when necessary. A few minutes before the committee had unanimously adopted a report recommending compliance with the wishes of the owners on those streets.

Owners of property on the streets affected claimed the paving was "rotten" and hints were given that they would follow the example of Rockland avenue owners and refuse to pay their assessments on the ground that the city had failed to lay the roadway asked for in their original petition, and would go to law. There was a special committee appointed to consider the matter, and the report handed in last night from it read as follows:

"We, your sub-committee, beg to report that we have examined Vancouver street from Humboldt street to Beacon Hill park, also Oliphant street, Sutlej street and Pendergast street, between Cook street and Vancouver street. Vancouver street has been macadamized at a cost of \$8,175, the city paying one-third of the cost. The macadam on this street cost \$1,254 per square yard. The macadam on Oliphant street cost \$1.56 per square yard.

"It is the wish of the ratepayers that Oliphant and Vancouver streets be resurfaced with Worswick asphalt three inches thick, at the cost of \$1 per square yard, and that the cost to the ratepayers on these streets for the macadam and asphalt be on the basis of a pavement costing \$2 per square yard, the city paying one-fifth of the cost."

"The Worswick Paving Company have offered to remove sufficient macadam, if given the material, and resurface the roadway with asphalt and guarantee the work for 10 years, leaving with the city 15 per cent. of the cost of the work.

"We would recommend that these two streets be resurfaced on the above conditions.

"Pendergast and Sutlej streets are

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"Campbell's"—The Centre of Attraction This Evening

NECKWEAR—DAINTY AND EXCLUSIVE



- Real Irish Lace Jabots, priced at \$3.75 down to \$2.25
- Stylish Golf Stocks, of varying in white, helio, sky, Each 60c, 50c to 40c
- Lace Collars with Jabots attached, in ecru and white, \$1.25, \$1.00, 90c and 75c
- Chiffon and Fancy Neck Collars, with gold, silver and pearl trimmings. We've a very choice selection of these. Prices range up from 40c
- Dutch Collars of Heavy Embroidered Linnens. Each 75c and 50c
- Lace Dutch Collars, in Gulpure and Irish, also ecru and white, \$2.75 down to 1.50
- Coat Collars of fine Guipure, square backs, \$2.75 down to 1.25
- Jabots, choice selection in fine embroidered laces with lace trimmings. \$1.25 down to 50c

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- Regular \$2.25 to \$2.75
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- Regular \$5.75 to \$6.50
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Ladies' Umbrellas, with silk covers, pearl, silver, gold handles, from \$12.00 to \$16.75

Children's Umbrellas, each, 90c and 75c

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Real Nappa Gloves, 2 dome, red stitching. Per pair \$1.50

Fine French Kid Gloves—the celebrated Alexandra Glove—in black, white, tan, brown, navy, green and grey. Per pair 75c

Real Nappa Gloves, plique sewn, in tans only, 2 dome. Per pair 90c

Dent's Gloves, special. Per pair \$1.00

Fowner's Fine Glass Kid Gloves, 2 dome, in tan, brown, black, white and grey. Per pair \$1.25

The English Caps Glove, with straps. Per pair \$1.25

Dent's Gloves, medium weight, self and red stitching, arrow points, 2 dome. Per pair \$1.50

Silk Evening Gloves, all shades, elbow length, priced up from \$1.25

Fowner's Glass Kid Evening Gloves, in black and white, 12, 16 and 20 button. Per pair \$2.75, \$3.25 and \$3.50

Jouvin Suede Gloves, in black, white, grey and tan. Per pair \$1.50

Dent's Mocha Gloves, silk lined and unlined, in browns and greys. Per pair \$1.50

Children's Kid Gloves, with wool linings, in tan only. Per pair 90c

Arrived Yesterday—A splendid new shipment of Magioni Gloves, in tan, brown, white, black, navy, green, helio, and pearl. Per pair \$1.50

BAGS AND PURSES



- Small Pocket Purses in seal and alligator. Colors brown, green and black, each, 50c, 35c, 25c and 15c
- White Kid Bags, with cord handles and neat little purses inside, \$1.00 and 80c
- Fancy Silk Bags, with gold and pearl sequins, in helio, sky, green, grey, purple and navy. Each, 90c
- Novelties in Evening Bags—Silk, sequins, and suede. Splendid value at \$5.00 to \$3.75
- The New Avenue Bag, fitted with mirror and powder puff, with hand straps. Each, \$4.25 and \$3.50
- Leather Bags, with riveted frame and chain purse inside. Each, \$1.25 and 90c
- Handsome Leather Bags, fitted with mirror, powder puff and box, smoking salts, card case and purse. \$4.75, \$4.75, down to \$2.75
- Leather Bags of fine quality, handle, alligator and fancy gold tops, in tan and grey. Purses inside. Each, \$3.75
- Very Fine Leather Bags of seal or walrus, riveted steel frames, double strap handle. Colors are black, navy, wine, brown, tan and grey. Priced from \$15.00 to \$5.50

OPERA CLOAKS, DINNER GOWNS, EVENING DRESSES



In the above we offer truly a magnificent display. Every garment is exclusive and carries the air of positive perfection in both delightful styles and trimmings. We have all the popular styles and materials as well as a few of the extreme effects.

BLOUSE SPECIAL

Silk Blouses in fancy styles, shot and plain taffeta, and peau de soie. Regular values up to \$9.75

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Every one of these are up to the minute in style and would make a very acceptable Xmas gift.

Then we have a beautiful line of blouses in fancy silks, crepe de chine, taffeta, lace and net at a very wide range of prices.

THE "KIDDIES"

Our Children's Special Department is complete with everything to make the youngsters look their daintiest at Christmas time. Lawn and Muslin Dresses, Shortening Dresses, sweet Little Coats and Wool jackets, Booties, Mitts, Gaiter Overalls, Bonnets, etc.

ORNAMENTS



- Full Line of Handkerchiefs
- Monten and Dutchess Lace Handkerchiefs, the gift superb, \$15.00 to \$10.00
- Real Armenian Lace Edge, fancy hemstitched, \$1.25
- Finest Lawn and Sheer Linnens, with embroidery, very dainty, \$1.25, 90c, 75c and 50c
- Extra Good Values in Embroidered Lawn and Linnens Handkerchiefs for 10c, 20c, 25c and 35c
- Initial Handkerchiefs, in all linnens, white, sheer or plain, each, 25c
- Colored edged and colored initial, 10c
- Fancy Colored Handkerchiefs for Children, very good values, 50c and 10c
- Colored Edge and Fancy Cornered Handkerchiefs, in sky, pink, Nile, helio, champagne, 20c, 25c and 35c
- Plain Sheer Lawn, extra fine value at 50c
- Plain Sheer Linnens, extra fine value at 10c
- Plain Sheer Linnens, very fine, 20c
- Plain Pure Linnens, finest qualities, 25c and 35c
- Crossbar Muslin 10c
- Pongee Handkerchiefs, colored, at 10c

FANCY SCARVES, BOWS AND STOLERS

- Black and White Lace Scarves, with fringe ends. Each \$1.75 and \$1.50
- Silk Embroidered Lace Scarves, in blue, white and grey. Each 90c
- Spanish Lace Silk Scarves, in black and cream—an ideal Christmas gift. Each, from \$15.00 to \$5.75
- Paquinette Scarves of Black Satin, with white and Paisley linings, heavy silk tassels ends. Each, \$9.00 to \$3.75
- Choice Selection of Colored Paquinette Scarves, in navy, with figured chiffon. Each \$11.50 to \$8.50
- Excellent Quality Ostrich Feather Boas, in black and white, each, \$22.50 to \$10.50
- Marabout Stoles, six strand, 2 1/2 yards in length, navy, green and taupe, each \$6.75
- Marabout Stoles, in black and white, \$9.00
- Marabout Stoles, neatly trimmed with ribbon, black, grey and brown, \$9.00 and \$7.50

PRINCE RUPERT TO LICENSE BARTENDERS

Measure Now Before the City Council Proposes That Among Regulations

new bylaw as prepared brings the city measure into line with the provincial act on all important points. In addition to that provision is made to license bartenders, and only such as have licenses will be allowed to serve liquor. In this way it is hoped to exercise more direct influence over the men who actually sell intoxicants and make them more careful on penalty of losing their licenses.

When that section came up it was provided that the license should be \$5 each half year and that the bartenders should present a certificate from the chief of police of fitness to serve.

This Ald. Smith felt might be putting rather too much power in the hands of a chief. Others held a similar view and the section was allowed to stand over.

Other provisions giving the right to search without a warrant any place

where the police have reason to suspect the law is violated were laid over. Some of the aldermen thought there should be no such search without a warrant.

The bylaw will be further considered before it finally passes.

FALLS FROM HORSEBACK

Son of Well-Known Okanagan Pioneer Killed in Riding Accident

Vernon, Dec. 23.—Charles O'Keefe, aged 31, son of C. O'Keefe, the well-known Okanagan pioneer, was thrown from his horse Tuesday afternoon and was picked up unconscious. His skull was fractured in three places and he died a few hours later in the Vernon hospital.

RELATIONS RENEWED.

Eugene Ore, Dec. 23.—It is generally believed that athletic relations between the University of Oregon and the Oregon State Agricultural College, severed recently, will be renewed now that the faculties of the two institutions have got together and prepared a joint report. The report which will be formally made public soon, declares that the attitude of the great majority of students is friendly and ascribes the feelings to the exuberance of young animals spirits than to malicious feelings.

Rats on shipboard may be destroyed by filling the bilges with carbonic acid from steel cylinders. The gas would not injure the cargo.

CHILDREN'S AID IS DOING NOBLE WORK

Gratifying Reports Presented at a Meeting-Held in City Council Chamber

The Children's Aid Society met on Wednesday afternoon at the city hall, the president, Charles Hayward, in the chair. The cases of several children and their environments were discussed, and action determined.

The secretary reported that in many instances the home conditions were greatly improved by an occasional visit, when sympathy, kindness and suggestion remedied the careless, unwholesome atmosphere of the surroundings of both the children and the parents.

Several cases were cited where husbands and wives were reconciled, after suitable changes in the home conditions were made. In one case, the mother, who had been given to the care of the society, was restored to the parents.

The improvement in all the children under the care of the children's aid home was marvelous, the matron being a specialist in appealing to the best instincts and impulses in the individual child. One lad of 13 who was turned over to the society as incorrigible, and whom the police found difficult to take to the home, is proving to be a splendid lad, and has asked for permission to remain in the home for some time. Two smaller lads who were hardened truants and constantly getting into trouble of all sorts, are now most trustworthy, and developing into very manly boys.

The work of the society is far reaching in its helpfulness, and while the city partly supports this worthy institution, the amount given does not nearly cover the expenses entailed, the treasurer not having sufficient funds to cover the expenditure for the year. A cash donation of \$10 from Mrs. Henry Croft was also reported by the secretary, and the hope was expressed that at this season of the year a number of others would kindly remember those less fortunate than themselves.

A cordial invitation to visit the Detention Home, at the corner of Fern and Pandora streets, was extended.

BASEBALL PLAYERS FOR NORTHWESTERN

Murray's Position Causing a Lot of Speculation in Portland

Portland, Ore., Dec. 22.—Will Tommy Murray be the change catcher of the Portland Pacific Coast League Club or the regular catcher of the Northwestern League Club? This question is causing a lot of talk around the sporting circles here to-day.

With Waring and Bradley coming from the Cleveland club, the Beavers will have the first class backstops, and one of them will have to be shipped to the Northwestern League Club, provided wagers can be secured.

Waring and Bradley are both first class catchers and are harder hitters than the itaburg boy, and it looks as if it would be the one that would go to the Northwestern aggregation.

McCredie asked for wagers on Murray not long ago, and several of the coast league teams refused to let the promising young catcher. McCredie will try to secure wagers on him when the annual meeting is held next month.

If Murray goes to the Northwestern League Club, it will give that team good catching staff. Burch, a youngster from the Texas league, comes highly recommended, and possibly will secure a berth with that club.

WILL EXTEND WATER SYSTEM.
Chilliwack, Dec. 22.—The directors of the Elk Creek Waterworks Company, Limited, of New Westminster, are preparing to expend about \$40,000 toward improving and extending the waterworks system in the valley. It is the intention of the company to put in another main ten inches in diameter, and the intake and carry it down from Elk Creek to the reservoir on Shannon Mountain. This new main will parallel the eight-inch main already in service, but will be brought down by way of Rosedale, which will share in the advantages of a waterworks system, as well as other parts of the valley. From Rosedale the water will be brought along the Yale road to Shannon mountain and help supply the needs of this city.

With the new extension of a ten-inch main the supply from the fountain head will be more than doubled and a plentiful quantity of water for some time to come supplied. The bringing of the new main along by way of Rosedale and the trunk road will be a great boon to the farmers living along it.

The work will be commenced on the new extension as soon as the days begin to lengthen and as shortly after the new year as the weather conditions will allow.

OXFORD COUNTY INQUIRY.
(Special to the Times.)
Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 22.—At the grant investigation yesterday afternoon, R. E. Butler and Sheriff Brady, swore to John Young offered large sums to secure his appointment as jailer, a job worth \$1,300. Butler said that the job offered \$1,000 cash, which he refused. Young went into the box himself and stoutly denied the allegations.

According to a specialist on the subject, the skin pattern on the finger tips are not only invariable throughout life, but the chance of the finger-prints of two persons being alike is less than one in 64,000,000,000.

PREPARATIONS FOR DECENNIAL CENSUS

Just One Hundred Years Since First Count Was Made in England

To count London's millions for the purpose of sorting them out into groups of males and females, fathers, mothers, children, deaf, dumb, blind, mad or otherwise, on Sunday, April 2, 1911, the large staff at the census office is working overtime.

Behind the "table gallery," in a temporary building of wood and iron, the officials sit at large tables, gleaning over Ordnance survey maps, fixing the boundaries of registration districts, and sending out millions of data forms, by which the great numbering of the people will be made.

These schedules go to the registrars, who are enumerators in the various districts and London, the wealthiest and most populous of all, will have quite an army of officials pressed into the civil service of the census week.

This is the first census of the twentieth century. The first English census was taken exactly 100 years ago. The growth of the population in London during the century is an interesting feature shown in the return.

When Thomas Potter, a son of the Archbishop of Canterbury, first proposed in parliament that a "numbering of the people, of the marriages, births and deaths, and of the people receiving alms," should be taken, the country became alarmed. One opponent of the bill (Mr. Thornton, the member for York) said: "I did not believe that there was any set of men, or indeed, any individual of the human species, so presumptuous or so abandoned, as to make the proposal we have just heard— I hold this object to be totally subversive of the last remains of English liberty."

Moreover, a registry of our people will acquaint our enemies abroad with our weakness.

Opposed generally, the bill was thrown out, and the proposal was not renewed until half a century later.

BALANCE ON HAND.
Kamloops, Agricultural Association Elects Officers For Year.
Kamloops, Dec. 22.—The annual meeting of the Kamloops Agricultural Association was held in the city hall, room with President J. Milton in the chair.

The financial report showed that the income from all sources was \$4,548.83, and the expenditure \$4,523.43, of which \$700 was for debts unpaid from 1908 and 1909; prizes and attractions \$2,150, improvements to the grounds and repairs to fences and buildings \$550, general management, purchase of exhibits, etc., \$1,200, leaving a cash balance of \$918 on hand.

Mayor Robinson, in moving the adoption of the report, congratulated the association upon the excellent financial showing as presented by the statement. The amount due for interest on debentures is only \$200, and the grounds are an asset whose value is unquestioned. The interest should be paid off, and then the association would be in a creditable position. This year's work showed that the exhibition can be made to pay, and he urged that the good work be kept up with undiminished energy.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. presidents, Messrs. W. J. Roper, Cherry Creek; J. P. Shaw, Shuswap; Senator Bostock, Ducks; C. T. Cooper, Tranquille; J. B. Greaves, Douglas Lake; J. R. Hamilton, C. E. Deighton, John Milton; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. T. Slavin and J. McConnell; treasurer, Capt. J. R. Vicars; directors, Messrs. F. Hamilton, C. E. Lawrence, Dr. M. S. Wade, J. F. Smith, E. S. Wood, F. E. Simpson, J. L. Brown, G. D. Brown, S. Armour, J. T. Robinson, W. F. Palmer, Kamloops; J. Redman, Nicola Road; J. E. Hamilton, Rosehill; J. W. D. MacKay, Louis Creek; H. G. Ross, North Thompson; C. E. Barnes, Walhalla; R. M. Palmer, Kamloops; J. E. Hamilton, Long Lake; W. S. Mitchell, Notch Hill.

It was decided on motion that the exhibition be held for two instead of three days hereafter, and that it be held in the second or third week in September.

ELUNGED INTO CANTON.
Lytton, Dec. 22.—Under the supervision of John Milton, Engineer, an old clock cantilever bridge at Conco, six miles below Lytton, has been converted into one of three through truss bridges. He has had an average of 40 men working all summer.

A serious accident happened to one of the bridge workers the other day. Just as final bolts were being thrown, D. McNash took a false step between two cars and plunged into the canyon below, a depth of a hundred feet or so. A telegram brought down Dr. Sanson, of Ashcroft, who had the patient brought to Lytton hospital, and found the man severely cut and bruised all over his body and with two ribs fractured.

Word came in of an Indian being thrown from his horse while descending a steep incline, but he is so badly hurt that he cannot be moved down to Lytton hospital, and the doctor went to do what he could for him.

FUEL DEPOSITS FOR U. S. NAVY.
Washington, Dec. 22.—Fuel depots at Bremerton, San Francisco and San Diego will be established soon, if a recommendation made by Secretary of the Navy, Meyer, meets with the approval of congress. Olmague, Rear Admiral, New York and Boston also are mentioned as likely locations for coaling stations.

"An ample stock of coal is as essential as powder and shells in preparing a fleet," said the secretary. "Plenty of stations with plenty of coal is the first thing to be considered." More vessels and better guns can follow.

Meyer is urging the appropriation of \$1,000,000 to establish the proposed bases.

SET OUT LOGGED LAND TO ORCHARDS

Canyon City Lumber Company Has Far Reaching Scheme

Nelson, Dec. 22.—If the present plans of the Canyon City Lumber Company are carried out, their present large limits will eventually all be converted into orchard, or all that portion that is adapted for the purpose. C. O. Rodgers, secretary-treasurer and managing director of the company, when in Nelson unfolded his plans to W. R. Haldane, senior freight agent of the C. P. R., and the company's mill, which is being run, and has a cut of 2,000,000 feet, is situated at Canyon City, three miles east of Creston, and the company's limits are 12,500 acres in extent. The greater part of this great tract, the common soil of the famous Creston fruit district, and in fact, Mr. Rodgers plans to bring something over 9500 acres under his scheme. His present plan is to take the land as fast as it is logged off, clear it, prepare it, and set out to orchard. In pursuance of this idea, the land logged off and cleared in 1909 was planted to fruit the past season. From now on, Mr. Rodgers expects to log from 300 to 400 acres per year, and as fast as this proceeds, the clearing outfit will follow. As 300 acres, set out at 100 trees per acre, each tree at seven years producing four boxes, will produce, at 50¢ a box per car, some 5000 barrels. It can be seen that there will be something doing in the future on this particular tract of land. Mr. Rodgers' idea is to prepare the land most carefully, set it out with approved varieties and take care of the young orchard till it is coming into bearing, not placing it on the market until that stage is reached. This will eliminate the case of the rancher who, through eagerness not to lose time, rushes his trees into the ground with insufficient preparation.

Including the men working for the company, and including 60 heads of families who are settlers, there are 400 people living in the Canyon City community. Some 3000 trees were set out the past year. Mr. Rodgers expects this year to employ a stumping machine, which cost \$4000, and which has four times the power of the ordinary donkey engine.

The Canyon City Lumber Company has solved the fire problem, as the clearing of land immediately after logging disposes of the fuel. The mill will be fired by D. W. Briggs, of Saginaw, Mich., of the well known firm of Briggs & Cooper, is president of the company, and his partner, James Cooper is vice-president.

WOULD BUY ELK LAKE WATER SYSTEM.
Proposal Made at Meeting of Victoria Farmers' Institute—Officers Elected

Gordon Head, Dec. 22.—A meeting of the Victoria Farmers' Institute was held at the Royal Oak schoolhouse on Saturday, Dec. 22. President F. C. Quick was in the chair. The reports of officers were received and read and then the election of officers for the ensuing year was held. The following were re-elected: President, F. C. Quick; vice-president, C. E. King; re-elected secretary-treasurer, directors, E. M. Hutchison, James Grant, R. Carmichael, S. McCullough, D. Smith, J. J. Clark, W. J. Quick, J. Pym, J. Nicholson and W. J. Deval; delegate to Central Institute, President F. T. Quick; auditors, W. J. Loveland and William Jackson. It was also appointed to be a committee to be organized to organize a company of Boy Scouts in the district and a committee composed of P. Goepel and C. E. King to make preliminary arrangements for an annual picnic to be held on Labor day, when athletic sports will be the chief feature, and that a banquet and dance be held in the new Royal Oak hall in the new year. James Grant warmly advocated the Saanich municipality acquiring the Elk Lake water system for irrigation purposes, as he contended that three acres irrigated would yield as much as ten acres with the present state of irrigation.

P. A. Y. E. CUT OUT.
Toronto, Dec. 22.—On five hundred cars of the Toronto Street Railway Co. the pay-as-you-enter system was abolished and signs taken down yesterday. Many conductors attempted to receive payment at the door, but the public was aware of the decision of the Ontario Railway board and brushed by into the cars. The company has still sixty cars with pay-boxes on which the system is enforced. Among these are two old converted single truck cars, to the use of which A. F. Ingram, vice-chairman of the railway board, objected at the hearing.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.
Ashcroft, Dec. 22.—A Chilkoot Indian named Johnny was sent up for trial on the serious charge of horse stealing and theft by Judges Leighton and Macarney. The accused had been hired by Frank Allen, of Summit ranch, and during the latter's absence for a few hours is alleged to have stolen a pair of horses, a pair of calves, a horse, a cow and a pig, and annexed a horse, saddle and outfit and after earning himself a pile started off for Savona. On his return he was quickly sized up matters and started in pursuit in his buggy. He tracked him for eight or nine miles and then took a returned back home. Enlisting two Indians, Antonio and Willie, to help him, he returned to the ranch and started in pursuit of Johnny. The following day the Indians proudly rode into Savona with Antonio having found him in Allen's buggy. The accused simply stated that he did not intend to steal the horse, but was committed to the assizes.

MAY BE AUTHOR OF QUAKER CITY FIRE.
Workman Says He Wished Revenge—Police Think He is Unbalanced

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22.—John Cornegio, a Pole, surrendered to the police last night, saying that he had started a fire in the Friedling Leather company's factory in which 23 lives were lost. He said the fire was started by a man who he named "John" and that he was holding him pending an investigation. He stated he may be mentally unbalanced.

Another superstition which is not losing ground amongst shipping men is that when a company's vessel meets with an accident it must necessarily follow that the company is destined to experience a similar disaster. Ship owners, when one of their steamers or sailing ships run aground or are wrecked, always look forward for the second and then for the third, and when it has passed they feel that the spell has broken.

Most of the passenger vessels built to-day are minus superstitions. The big battleships, the new ships will be invulnerable against attacks from fire aeroplanes or airships which may drop explosives from the clouds, owing to the peculiar construction of their hulls and their unusually thick armor. One or two interesting technical details concerning the new ship are also given.

PRINCE RUPERT BOARD OF TRADE

A. J. Morris Unanimously Re-Elected President—Annual Reports Submitted

Prince Rupert, Dec. 22.—A. J. Morris was unanimously re-elected president of the board of trade here, and his report showed that from January 1 to November 30, the duties collected amounted to \$91,822.28. The vessels in port from the sea totalled in number 397, while vessels outward to sea totalled 295. Coastwise inward, there were 1,180 vessels. The increase in tonnage was very large indeed. In the year 1909 the tonnage was 2,340, while in the year 1910 it jumped to 23,068.

The report of the secretary, M. M. Stephens, showed \$160,000 on hand, with liabilities of \$99,335. There was an asset of \$48.85, being dues from suspended members.

J. A. Kirkpatrick was elected vice-president, and M. M. Stephens was re-elected secretary. This honor being unanimous.

The following council of the board of trade was elected: W. F. Lynch, W. W. Lew, Fred Stork, D. G. Stewart, E. H. Mobley, F. G. Dawson, D. H. Morrison, J. F. Brandt, J. G. Scott, R. A. White, George Nickerson, J. H. Thompson and H. B. Wilson.

NATIONAL MUSEUM AT FEDERAL CAPITAL.
Hon. William Templeman Outlines Scope of Work to Be Done There

Hon. William Templeman, minister of mines, has issued the following statement in regard to the controversy over the Victoria Memorial museum, which the Dominion government is establishing at Ottawa:

Judging from remarks published in the press, there seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the nature and purpose of the Victoria Memorial museum. It is of course a national museum and will be devoted only to the purpose for which it was constructed. A part of the building is reserved for art collections, but the major portion of it is assigned to anthropology, biology and geology. Museum known in the past as the National Museum is no longer simply a group of exhibition halls. It is not merely a place for the display of art and scientific objects, but an institution of research and education. As a consequence, the museum is not a place where office accommodation for scientific workers, and rooms for scientific collections where the real wealth of the museum can be housed, but a place where the scientific workers, in a library so as to be accessible to scientific students. This is the distinctive feature of the museum.

The States National museum before the completion of the additional new building, which is 12,677 square feet, to storage rooms for scientific and scientific collections 75,318, and general offices, etc., 9,334 square feet. The present building, which is 11,000 square feet, is approximately 33,000 square feet for public exhibition halls, 23,000 square feet for storage rooms, and 1,000 square feet for library, photographic and scientific collections, etc., and 8,000 square feet for storage rooms. The proposed distribution of space in the new museum is somewhat larger proportionally reserved for public exhibition. Provision has been made for the growth of the museum, which enables the museum to accommodate the collections of the present. When expansion makes it necessary, provision will have to be made for the growth of the museum, which enables the museum to accommodate the collections of the present. When expansion makes it necessary, provision will have to be made for the growth of the museum, which enables the museum to accommodate the collections of the present.

The fear, that the museum would be a duplicate of the staff of scientific men, which would entail heavy and unnecessary expense, and would serve no good purpose.

WOMAN SAYS SHE WISHED REVENGE—POLICE THINK SHE IS UNBALANCED.

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KESTREL MET HEAVY WEATHER IN NORTH

Fishery Protection Cruiser Returned to Port Yesterday After Rough Trip

After spending a month cruising off Banks Island, Heate Stratts, which was uneventful, except for dirty weather, the fishery protection cruiser Kestrel, Captain Newcomb, returned to port yesterday. This morning she moved from the inner harbor to Esquimaut to receive orders from the department, under which the vessel is now operated. It is expected that she will leave to-night for Vancouver, where Christmas Day will be spent and she will have later the vessel will proceed north again.

Captain Newcomb stated that during the whole time they were in Heate Stratts, where last year it was a very rough and stormy season, the vessel is now operated. It is expected that she will leave to-night for Vancouver, where Christmas Day will be spent and she will have later the vessel will proceed north again.

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COLORADO SCHOOL.
The Colorado school closing exercises were carried out with much success, an enjoyable programme and a Christmas tree were provided. The presents on the tree were sent by Santa Claus on the subscription basis, over \$0 being collected. The exercises were presided over by child, H. D. Helmeck, K. C. addressed the school, regretting the loss of the teacher, Miss Knappett, who is leaving to attend the Normal school. The teacher was complimented on the excellent programme and the scholars had provided for the afternoon. The programme was as follows:

Chorus—Good King Wenceslas By the School.
Recitation—The Christmas Story By the School.
Margery Clarke and Doug Gossie Piano Solo Eunice Campbell.
Recitation—Your Goodness By the School.
Recitation—The Great Sale H. Parker.
Dialogue—The Great Sale The School.
Recitation—The Christmas Story By the School.
Motion Song By the Juniors.
Piano Solo Marie Goodall.
Recitation—The Christmas Story By the School.
Solo—Rainbow Ethel Campbell.
Recitation Lillian Regan.
Song—The Holidays By Four Girls.
Recitation—The Christmas Story By the School.
Recitation—The Christmas Story By the School.
God Save the King.

SUPERSTITIONS OF OLD SEAFARING MEN.
Many Signs and Tokens Which Sailors Believe—Passengers Also Affected

There is a general idea that the sailor laborer under more than the one superstition popular tradition ascribed to each individual. Competent authority contends, however, that there are no more superstitions than any other equals in training and opportunities. However, that may be, the following may be cited as instances of the signs and tokens in which "those who go down to sea in ships" put their faith.

In the past superstition was a part of every ship, it entered into its keel, climbed up its rigging, ran at its launch, controlled its crew and cargo, evoked portents and governed its ventures, and arrivals.

It is a superstition, however, was always moribund into the keel to make a ship sail fast. A silver coin was placed in the mainmast step to insure lucky weather. The modern, chattering by the wine bottle arose from the ancient libations poured on the deck by priests.

On a sailing ship, lawyers, women and the clergy are looked upon with disfavour, as they are supposed to bring bad luck. Every black cat that comes on board, carries a "gale in her tail." Whistling is held against the propeties of sea-life. If one whistles for a breeze he is only too apt to bring a tornado.

Ship bells are blessed, and to this day if a mistake is made in striking one it is immediately struck backward to break the spell. The belief in the desertion of a sinking ship by rats is founded on a reason, for rats like to be dry food, and when a vessel is unsat it becomes leaky under deck and too wet for the creature's comfort. Figuresheads were first images of gods, then of saints and sea heroes. Chinese junk boats have two glaring eyes on their bows. "No have two eyes, how can see? No see, how can go?"

After giving the above details the "Vorwarts" informant adds the following additional particulars, which reveal the significance of the new type. According to the expectations of the German naval authorities the new ship will be capable of delivering an attack on the largest existing battleships, including super-Dreadnoughts. More than that, it is probable that no existing battleship could withstand its onslaught, so that its appearance is likely to produce a revolution in naval shipbuilding. Apart from its capabilities of dealing with the biggest existing battleships, the new ship will be invulnerable against attacks from fire aeroplanes or airships which may drop explosives from the clouds, owing to the peculiar construction of its hull and its unusually thick armor. One or two interesting technical details concerning the new ship are also given.

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HINDU SAILORS HAVE BERI-BERI

Crew of Beachy in Tacoma—No Danger of Disease Spreading

(Times Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Dec. 22.—Six of the Hindu crew of the steamer Beachy, of the Dollar line, are afflicted with the dread scourge of the Orient, beri-beri, according to the local health authorities, and the vessel, now loading at Tacoma, will be put in quarantine today. One of the stricken men died on Tuesday, and the other five are in a hospital. One is dying.

The Beachy arrived in Puget Sound early in the week, coming from Orient ports and Panama. A big cargo of iron was landed at Tacoma, and the steamer came to Seattle. The cases were reported here as soon as the Beachy arrived.

The health authorities in Tacoma believe there is no danger of the disease spreading.

GERMANY'S LATEST FIGHTING MACHINE

Is Similar to England's Funnel-less Warships—Has Heavy Guns and High Speed

Germany, like Great Britain, is constructing a new type of warship, driven by gas motors, which will be an entirely new factor in the future of naval conflicts. When the first reports of Great Britain's new warship were recently published, no one was surprised that this country, because it was generally known that Germany already was building a new type of ship which, so far as can be judged from the description of the British vessel, is remarkably similar to the latter. That almost simultaneously two powers like Great Britain and Germany should construct an almost identical and yet entirely new type of warship is curious, and suggests that the plans of the one country were prematurely known to the naval authorities of the other.

The Vorwarts, which possesses excellent sources of information, and frequently by its far-reaching connections gives official secrets to the world, publishes the following details of Germany's new warship. The length is 284 ft., breadth 45 ft., draught 25 ft. The deck, which only projects 5 ft. above the surface of the water, is protected by armor of such a thickness and arranged in such a way that it appears impossible for any projectile to penetrate to pierce it. The ship will have one single turret, which will revolve, and will be situated exactly amidships. It will be armed with two huge guns, which will be capable of firing shells so quickly in succession that all existing guns will be entirely eclipsed by its marvellous performance.

The new gun has a calibre of 43 centimetres (16.7 in.), and says the Vorwarts, the shell will be of the extraordinary weight of 2,700 kilograms, or two tons thirteen cwt. Notwithstanding their size, it will be possible to handle these guns easily and promptly by hydraulic machinery. The revolving turret's axle will be a short mast, on which the captain's conning tower will be placed. This, also, will be protected by thick armor. This curious system of construction is rendered possible, as in the new British type, by the absence of funnels and the substitution of gas motors, each of eight cylinders, and developing 6,000 horse power. Each motor works quite independently of the others, and drives a separate screw, giving a speed of 27 knots.

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COOK AND CABIN BOY FIGHT.
Lively Scene on the Steamship Queen Alexandra Wednesday—Cook Uses Knife, Boy a Poker.

With the Japanese cook waving a knife in most drastic manner and a German cabin boy swinging a poker upon his head, and both attempting to reach the other and administer knockout on Wednesday last, a brawl was waged on the deck of the steamship Queen Alexandra, of the Queen line, which docked here last week and which is at present lying at anchor. Each of the combatants sent in telling blows, and after defending and attacking alternately, the altercation came to an end, when several of the officers jumped in and separated the irate seamen. It was discovered that the Japanese had got the best of the battle, as he bore but few marks of the fray, while his sturdy opponent was bleeding badly from a wound inflicted by the knife which the Jap brandished so savagely. The two fighters became enraged, through the crew and its unusually thick armor, resented such treatment by showing the Jap his place.

INCREASED WAGES FOR TRAINMEN

Employees of Western Railway Will Probably Receive Advance 12 1/2 Per Cent

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Dec. 22.—Although a case is being exercised in guarding communications between the railroad men and the officials of the one western railway. It is generally rumored here to-day that the men's demands for a 15 per cent advance were settled on a basis of 12 1/2 per cent.

Rapid progress toward a final settlement is being made. It is understood that the managers have already an increase of something over 10 per cent.

The secrecy which features the dealings was brought about by a strike of both managers and trainmen, which was broken up by negotiations with the engineers, and which caused undue excitement.

Both sides are anxious to have the scale adjusted before the year. It is believed that the new scale will be settled on a basis of 12 1/2 per cent.

COME TO COAST.
Dec. 22.—Two men arrived from the coast.

THE DOCTOR. "An' yer, restless and feverish. Give him a Steadman's Powder and he'll soon be all right."

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ROYAL TOMB.
Italian Government Securing Copies of Art Marble From Westminster Abbey.

It is not often that Italy goes to England in search of art treasures, but the Italian government has for some time been obtaining copies of certain marble work from Westminster Abbey.

Cavaliere C. Formili recently placed an exhibition, at the Royal Institute of Architects, in London, a complete set of copies of the Shrine of Edward the Confessor, as modified in the thirteenth century. When a tomb was needed for King Henry III, the famous Cosmati marble workers of Rome were invited to build the present shrine, which is now in the possession of the Italian government.

When exhibiting his work Cavaliere Formili showed a series of lantern slides, demonstrating the remarkable work carried out by the Cosmati in Italy. Afterwards the Italian ambassador expressed his thanks to the Dean of Westminster for allowing the important work of reproduction to be carried out in the Abbey.

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