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The Empress carried 133 Chinese, part of them in the steerage and the others in the second cabin. Among these was a student, K. S. Kwank, who is going to Washington, D. C., to enter college, where he intends to study constructive engineering.

The freight list included 3,665 bales of raw silk, 286 bales of waste silk, 1,208 packages of tea, 3,025 boxes of oranges, and the remainder of mixed goods.

News was brought that the Japanese people are getting restless at the action of the government in granting shipping subsidies to such a large extent.

According to advices brought from Hongkong the recent race riots were not so much the result of the Japanese boycott as they were of a lecture delivered in Japan before some thirty Chinese students.

A great deal of satisfaction is expressed by the Japanese, according to those who arrived on the Empress of China, at the official interchange of notes between the Japanese and American governments.

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The Empress of China left for Vancouver at 8:00 a. m., the 699 sacks of Christmas mail having been loaded, and on this evening's train the silk will be forwarded to New York.

MINTO CUP MATCHES SET DOWN FOR MAY

Royal City Arranges for Games With Toronto Teacumsehs. New Westminster, Dec. 18.—Teacumsehs of Toronto are to play New Westminster for the Minto cup next year.

The date for the Capital New Westminster series was not set, but it is likely they will be arranged for a short time after the Teacumsehs games, provided, of course, that New Westminster is successful in defeating the cup against the Toronto Indians.

The Royal City players intend keeping up their training through the winter months so as to be in good form early in the season.

The South of England Lacrosse Club players to-night the recent games with the Canadians were analyzed with profit, and the conclusion reached that the Canadians had won the Olympic contests because they knew just a little more.

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- 1. Wing forward to be abolished. 2. A penalty to be imposed on any player who crosses an imaginary line drawn through the back of the scrum on his own side while the ball is in the scrum. 3. No charges to be allowed in case of a free kick or kick at goal.

GOOD YEAR FOR LABORING MEN

LOTS OF WORK MAKES CHRISTMAS JOYFUL. The City Will Employ Several Hundred All Through the Winter.

Christmas finds the laboring men of Victoria in particularly good circumstances this year. There has been lots of work all summer and fall, and this promises to keep on right through the winter.

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Made of Forest Roots

Dr. Pierce believes that our American forests abound in most valuable medicinal roots for the cure of most obstinate and fatal diseases, if we would properly investigate them; and, in confirmation of this conviction, he points with pride to the almost marvelous cures effected by his

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The reason why it cures these and many other affections, is clearly shown in a little book of extracts from the standard medical works which is mailed free to any address by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., to all sending request for the same.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription,

as is amply attested by thousands of unsolicited testimonials contributed by grateful patients who have been cured by it, often after many other advertised medicines, and physicians had failed.

Both the above mentioned medicines are wholly made up from the glyceric extracts of native, medicinal roots. The processes employed in their manufacture were original with Dr. Pierce, and they are carried on by skilled chemists and pharmacists with the aid of apparatus specially designed and built for this purpose.

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TRUSTEES ASK LOAN BY-LAW

THEY NEED \$60,000 TO BUILD NEW SCHOOLS. Minimum Salary Raised to \$47—Contracts for Supplies.

At a special meeting of the school board held Friday evening, a resolution was unanimously adopted, requesting the city council to submit a loan by-law at the municipal elections for a sum which would give the board \$60,000 net. The resolution was drawn up by Chairman Jay in strict accord with the terms of the School Act, and was moved and seconded by Trustees McNeill and Staneland.

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WHAT SHALL IT BE FOR CHRISTMAS?

Here are three of the finest suggestions from the old country. In their particular line, they cannot be equalled anywhere—dollar for dollar they represent the biggest value. The folks at home are buying them this Xmas—have done for years—they enjoy them so well that they recommend them to their kin across the sea. May your Xmas feast be an enjoyable one—it will be if you buy

CADBURY'S Cocoa and Milk Powder. A delicious compound of Pure Cocoa and fresh rich Milk. Just add boiling water and serve—no sugar required.

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CADBURY'S Milk and Nut Milk Chocolate. The tempting flavor of these delicious sweetmeats is indescribable. Roll around your tongue—the fine nuts and the flavor of the Milk Chocolate fairly tantalize the palate.

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**POSITION OF LLOYDS
IN WORLD OF COMMERCE**
Suggested Publication of Balance Sheet Would Set Doubts at Rest.

Almost from time immemorial underwriting at Lloyd's has been regarded as the most desirable and most creditable form of occupation in the city of London. It is not in the whole world of commerce, says a correspondent in the Fall Mall Gazette, and the institution of which the underwriter is a member the most conservative of all the corporate bodies in the Kingdom.

During the present twenty years the effects of keen competition, resulting in venturesome speculation, have been felt severely here, as in other business undertakings. Premium rates have risen to the extent of 30 or 40 per cent, while the decrease of risk (due to ships being better "found") has been small in comparison—some say that it is little more than imaginary.

Nevertheless, the stability of Lloyd's has hitherto remained unquestionable. While on the stock exchange, in a suddenness, once prosperous brokers have succumbed altogether to altered circumstances, and the position of firms of old standing is open to suspicion, the underwriters at Lloyd's are suffering nothing worse than a shrinkage of income which inconvenience no one but themselves.

But outside, if not inside, of the masonic suits of rooms on the upper floor of the Royal Exchange, even the position of Lloyd's is no longer regarded complacently with the sense of absolute security which, for over a century, has characterized the attitude of the mercantile and shipping community towards that unique body, upon which it relies to such a large extent for protection against loss of cargo, ships and freight. This wavering, which resulting in, has also been in a small degree, encouraged by the measures which have recently been adopted in the committee of Lloyd's with the consent of the members.

A more inconsistent attitude it is not easy to imagine, but unfortunately these alarms may find more material for criticism in the news which may be forthcoming shortly that several underwriters have decided to close their accounts and resign their membership since the adoption of the new measures.

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MEGANTIC IS LAUNCHED.

A cablegram to Montreal announces the launching of the new steamship Megantic, built for the White Star Dominion Line, St. Lawrence service, at the yards of Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Belfast. The Megantic is the sister ship to the Laurentic, which was launched some weeks ago, but is fitted with turbines, a company wishing to test the relative values of the two types of engines. She is of over fifteen thousand tons burthen and is of the highest class of passenger steamships.

BISHOP OF LONDON, ONT.

London, Ont., Dec. 18.—It is semi-officially announced that the Rev. Father Hand, of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Toronto, will succeed Archbishop McEvoy as Bishop of London.

FAMILY OF ARMY VETERAN IS STARVING

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MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN IN SOUTH SAANICH

Candidates Are Lining Up—Reeve Quick is Not Opposed.

LIBERALS ELECT OFFICERS.

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—The following officers were elected at a meeting of the North Vancouver Liberals for the ensuing term: Hon. president, W. W. B. McInnes; president, Jas. D. Fraser; first vice-president, J. B. Bennett; second vice-president, F. Westover; secretary-treasurer, W. Nicholson; Councillor, the executive committee consisted of: T. Hutcheson, W. Owen, M. B. Martinson, Jr., W. McEwen, A. Gibson and A. Smith.

CANADIAN TRADE WITH MEXICO GROWS

Consul-General States it Has Increased This Season Over 100 Per Cent.

Canada's trade with Mexico during the past season has increased over 100 per cent, according to a statement by D. A. Ansell, consul-general for the republic in the Dominion. The improvement is noticeable in all lines of goods which Canada sells to Mexico, but the exports to Mexico are exceeded by the imports from that country.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT WAS BEST

M. Smith Says West Received Splendid Advertisement at Spokane.

Nelson, Dec. 18.—Maxwell Smith, Dominion fruit inspector, who has been acting as one of the seven judges at the apple show, and states that the show was the greatest advertisement that the province has ever received. It was a splendid advertisement of the fruit of British Columbia and the great export trade of apples to the American continent.

CHEAP EXCURSION RATES TO MEXICO

Canadian-Mexican Company Making Special Offer During Next Three Months.

A cheap excursion rate to Mexico City will return will be in force during the next three months on the Canadian-Mexican steamship line, commencing with the next sailing of the steamer Longdale.

SWIFT AND COMPANY TO BUILD IN CITY

Report That Four-story Structure Will Be Erected.

It is reported that Swift & Company, the world-famed meat packers, are to add to their long list of centres the city of Victoria. At present the company has a large packing house at Esquimalt.

NELSON COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD CLASH

Trustees Object to Reduction in Figures in By-Law.

Nelson, Dec. 17.—There was a clash between the representatives of the school board and the city council at the regular meeting of the latter body over the matter of the by-law to be submitted to the people at the time of the municipal elections to raise additional money to complete and furnish the new school.

GORGEOUS CEREMONY AT SUBLIME PORTE

Opening of Turkish Parliament Marks Epoch in Political History of Europe.

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—After an interval of thirty-two years, Turkey yesterday entered upon a second attempt at constitutional government with the inauguration of the new parliament elected under the constitution promulgated by the Sultan.

LADY OBTAINS DAMAGES OWING TO AN INVOLUNTARY BALLOON ASCENSION

Kingston, N. Y., Dec. 18.—For her involuntary balloon ascension at the Ellenville fair on August 26th, 1906, when she was whirled aloft at an aeronautical exhibition through becoming entangled in a dangling rope, a jury in the supreme court yesterday rendered a sealed verdict in favor of Mrs. Mary S. Roper, for \$1,000.

BISHOP CRIDGE IS REGAINING STRENGTH

He Received Many Congratulations Upon His Ninety-first Birthday.

The many friends of Bishop Cridge in this city will be glad to learn that he has greatly improved in health. He receives no further setback the venerable head of the Reformed Episcopal church expects to be able to take part in the Christmas services.

ATLANTIC LINERS BUFFETED BY GALES

Vessels Delayed in Reaching New York—SS. Teutonic Three Days Late.

New York, Dec. 18.—With December on the North Atlantic and the ocean lane criss-crossed by violent gales, Atlantic shipping has been experiencing as severe a buffeting as it has ever known on its coasting waters.

PRINCETON BOARD OF TRADE.

SASKATCHEWAN BONSPLEL.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 18.—The Saskatchewan bonspiel prize list, announced yesterday, shows seven competitors and the value of \$2,180.

ST. PIERRE, MIQUELON.

Further Disturbances Occur in French Colony.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 18.—According to private cable advice from St. Pierre, Miquelon, further disturbances have occurred at the French island during the last few days.

LOVE ON THE OCEAN.

Countess Weds a Millionaire of Boston, U. S. A.

A romantic story of ocean courtship had its sequel at Boston, U. S. A., the other day, when Captain J. Pentecost, of the Cunard line, was married to Miss Edith Pierce, of Foxfield, Mass., one of the wealthiest and best known society women of Boston.

LUMBER TRADE; THE WORLD'S CONSUMPTION

Devolves on Canada to Settle Timber Problem—Pacific Coast Supply.

United States Consul Robert S. Chilton, Jr., of Toronto, furnishes the following reports covering the consumption and supply of timber in the several countries:

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BYGONE DAYS

Some

BY R. E. GOSNELL

Last week I gave some reminiscences of Vancouver, and I have a few to add this week.

In an address before the Canadian Club, in Guelph, Ont., Dr. Judson Clark, head of the Forestry Department of British Columbia, spoke of the present timber problem throughout the world, stating that the limit of production had been reached, and predicting that the price would now advance to a figure prohibiting its use to a large extent.

Canada and the United States were now called upon to supply the world with timber, in a practical sense, and the United States was at present using half of the sawn timber of the world, and at that rate within a couple of decades she would have to import it. It was therefore devolved upon Canada to settle the timber problem of the world with her acreage, which could not be estimated, and which was put at the way at from 250,000,000 to 500,000,000 acres.

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Mr. Ireland, one of the pioneer lawyers of Vancouver is the hero of a story that is worthy to rank with the above, and is even more amusing. Two young men had returned to Vancouver after working in the logging camps...

I know of another lawyer in Vancouver who defended a man on a charge of stealing a diamond ring, and who wore the ring himself afterwards until his dying day.

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FORMAL OPENING OF NEW SCHOOL

VICTORIA WEST HOLDS SPECIAL EXERCISES

Pupils of City Dismissed for the Christmas Holidays.

The opening exercises in connection with the new Victoria West school were held this morning in conjunction with the term closing for the Christmas holidays.

BOARD OF TRADE COUNCIL MEETS

COMMITTEES REPORT ON IMPORTANT MATTERS

Island Development Plans Meet With Hearty Co-operation.

In spite of its being one of the busiest seasons of the year with merchants and business men generally, the members of the board of trade are more than usually occupied with the consideration of matters affecting the business interests of the city and of the island.

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PRETTY WEDDING AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Miss Haynes of This City and Mr. Kappelé United in Marriage

A very pretty wedding took place Thursday evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. It was the marriage of Mr. A. J. Kappelé, a well known barrister of Vancouver, and Miss Mabel Haynes, daughter of Mrs. George W. Haynes of John Street, Victoria.

CHEF CONSTABLE OF BOUNDARY

C. J. Bunbury, of Kamloops, Will Take Up Duties at Beginning of Year.

Kamloops, Dec. 18.—C. J. Bunbury of the provincial jail staff, has received a communication from the attorney-general offering him the appointment of chief constable of the newly created boundary police district.

GIRL GAVE PRISONER KNIFE

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18.—Bessie Clark, a 15-year-old girl, now confined in the county jail, is charged with having carried notes from Howard Duwette, who cut his way to freedom with a penknife, to James Keen, the boatman, who is alleged to have murdered Frank L. Brown, a motor man of the P street line.

SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 18.—In a report to the provincial board of health, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, provincial health officer, states that smallpox is present in a large number of municipalities throughout the province.

VALDEZ, ALASKA, DEC. 18.—A wireless message from the steamship Porquoi Pas says that in a heavy storm of Katala, a wireless message was received from Katala that the residents of that town are starving and must have food.

PORQUOI PAS SAILS

Punta Arenas, Dec. 18.—The French steamer Porquoi Pas, with Dr. Charcot's expedition on board, sailed from here yesterday in search of the South Pole.

NEW WESTMINSTER, DEC. 18.—A number of orders for cars have been received at the local E. E. Electric railway car shops.

BUILDING STREET CARS

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ELK HERD AT COWICHAN LAKE

LOCAL SPORTSMAN SHOOT ONE OF THEM

News of the Gun and the Rod in This District.

That a few elk still remain on Vancouver Island is well known, but there is a difference of opinion as to how many may still be here.

The grouse season has not been so successful. There is a very noticeable diminution in the number of birds during recent years.

George Bothwick, of this city, was the lucky man to see the band of wapiti and to bring down one of the bulls.

The following morning they were off at daybreak. They had seen elk tracks and they moved cautiously and kept a sharp lookout.



VIEW OF COWICHAN LAKE.

were getting tired and thinking to themselves that it was almost useless continuing their tramp when Mr. Bothwick suggested moving on to higher ground.



TROPHIES OF THE HUNT.

Deer heads with large elk on top forming part of those shot by Geo. Bothwick at Cowichan Lake recently.

followed him, and soon they emerged into a more open country. In one of these glades just about 2 o'clock in the afternoon they emerged to see a herd of something like fifteen elk.

The majority of the elk herd seemed to be cows, although the hunters say that there were one or two young bulls with spike horns.

Black Watch

Chewing Tobacco Rich and satisfying. The big black plug.

Bothwick killed his bag limit, and is now having the heads prepared for the decoration of his house.

The deer hunting season, which closed Tuesday, has been a very successful one. It is very difficult to give an estimate of the number of deer killed in the immediate vicinity of Victoria.

Very few reports have come in as to the success of the importation of the capercaillie, black game and Hungarian partridges.

Among those considered of lesser importance, the government passed an act empowering the judges to give habitual criminals indeterminate sentences for the two-fold purpose of reforming their habits and protecting society.

The session widened the breach between the Liberals and the House of Lords. The rejection of the licensing bill, for which the Liberals claimed they had received a mandate at the election of 1906, augmented the bad feeling resulting last year from the rejection or mutilation by the Lords of the education, plural voting and Scottish land valuation bills.

Mr. Balfour and Lord Lansdowne, says the Westminster Gazette, the chief government organ, "appear to have registered a vow that the Liberals should make no further progress with reforms in the church and schools, land and licensing, hence the House of Lords question is for the Liberal party a question of its own existence, and the obstacles the House of Lords put in the way of Liberal legislation must be removed."

There is still talk of the dissolution of parliament and an appeal to the voters, but it is more likely that Premier Asquith will try during the session the main feature of which will be the budget, introducing radical changes in taxation. The changes include the reform of the income tax, a high license for saloons, and taxation of land values.

Sir Oliver's idea, upon which he has been working for some time, is to dispel fog banks by electrical discharges. Thus he has had conducted his experiments on a small scale, either in laboratory or under unfavorable conditions, and yet he has had such success that it is believed a great success has been discovered.

But little has been said of late on the matter of a game reserve for wild animals on Vancouver Island. The government about a year ago introduced that they intended to do something, but so far they have made no decision.

The fishing season has closed except in the salt water. There has not been much sport in the salt water during the past season as in some former years.

Perhaps the best sport of the season has been obtained trolling salmon in the straits. These fish come every year, and when the run is on the best of sport can be obtained.

RADICAL CHANGES IN TAXATION

BRITAIN FACES ANOTHER GRAVE QUESTION

Review of Legislation Passed Last Session—Parliament Prorogues.

London, Dec. 21.—The first session of parliament under the premiership of Herbert H. Asquith came to an end on Saturday.

Many minor laws were enacted during the year, but of the ten important measures foreshadowed in the King's speech, only five find a place in the statute books.

Of the other measures projected, the licensing bill was rejected by the House of Lords, and two education bills were withdrawn because of the failure of the church party and the non-conformists to report a compromise.

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Mystery of Deaths in Somerville Woman's Family to Be Probed.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 19.—In order to satisfy, as he said, an element of suspicion regarding the six deaths in the family of Mrs. Mary Kelleher, now under observation as to her sanity, District Attorney Higgins authorized today the exhuming of the body of Catherine Kelleher, aged 65 years, whose death last July was said to have resulted from ptomaine poisoning.

DEATH OF MRS. LUCAS. After Prolonged Illness She Passed Away Last Night.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The death occurred late last night at the family residence, Tormie avenue, of Mrs. Lucas, relict of the late Wm. Lucas. For a number of years Mrs. Lucas has been in delicate health.

Advertisement for Steedman's Soothing Powders, featuring an image of a child and text describing its benefits for children's health.

Large advertisement for Campbell's fur goods, featuring the brand name, 'All Furs Half Price', and various items like gloves, neckwear, umbrellas, and handbags.

Advertisement for 'Dispelling Fog by Means of Electricity', featuring Sir Oliver Lodge's discovery and a company's offer of pumps for fire service.

Advertisement for 'The Family Cash Grocery' located at Cor. Yates and Douglas Streets, Tpl. 312, listing various Christmas decorations and ornaments.

Advertisement for Lord Shaftesbury's drydock, located at Equinart on Wednesday next, and a notice regarding the death of Mrs. Lucas.

Advertisement for 'Ebony Goods for Ladies' by Cyrus H. Bowes, a chemist at Government St., Near Yates, Victoria, B.C., listing various beauty products.

Vertical sidebar of short news items including 'Wants Legal Made Em', 'China's Desire Rank Among', 'Carrying Out of Empire May Lead to Recognition of', 'Pekin, Dec. 24.—The', 'China is very sensitive', 'Japan, especially since', 'Amoy. Only half the', 'visited the Chinese and', 'inauguration of courts', 'thing that contributes', 'the mission of Tang Si', 'to strengthen the effort', 'Ho Kai and others', 'reforming the court.', 'It is believed that the', 'foreign board of the', 'existing court practice', 'the adoption of a new', 'inauguration of courts', 'establishment of an im', 'system, and the abol', 'isting system of exte', 'tend to influence the', 'accepting proposals to', 'of Chinese diplomatic', 'TEACHERS MAY IN SUPER', 'Provincial Government', 'ering Question of', 'Them in Be', 'In the new civil ser', 'provincial secretary', 'will introduce into', 'the approaching sess', 'that teachers in the p', 'be given an opportuni', 'tage of the scheme of', 'The Vancouver Ed', 'been interesting itse', 'The minister, howev', 'question under consid', 'time, and is still gath', 'matter which will as', 'to a conclusion as to', 'It is probable, how', 'certain conditions tes', 'cluded in the general', 'of the civil servan', 'a position to derive', 'superannuation fund', 'RAILWAYS BUY', 'Negotiations Comple', 'in Termin', 'Vancouver, Dec. 23', 'of securing new terri', 'heavy wagon, Alfr', 'known rancher of a', 'probably fatally in', 'He was standing by', 'against the pole of', 'had almost sufficed', 'for some reason, an', 'fright suddenly an', 'The man was tangled', 'harness, which was', 'was borne against a', 'heavy wagon that s', 'still carried on the', 'full against the wa', 'stopped. When plac', 'horribly crushed and', 'die.', 'RUSHING HI', 'Rudolph Speckles', 'Coal Burned', 'Nippon', 'Honolulu, Dec. 22', 'ive in San Fran', 'present in court', 'passed on Abrah', 'day, Rudolph Spre', 'the graft invest', 'tion in that city', 'enger on the Jap', 'Maru, which sailed', 'Sunday, has agreed', 'tra coal burned in', 'port a few hours', 'The Nippon Maru', 'cisco on Thursday'