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MAY MOVE TO NOVA SCOTIA.

If Difficulty With Cable Company is Not Settled Marconi Will Select New Station.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 17.—Marconi was visited officially at Signal Hill today by Governor Boyle, Premier Bond and the executive committee. They were shown the wireless apparatus which was explained to them. No attempt was made to signal from England because of the hostility of the Anglo-American Cable Co.

The government wireless telegraph office before visiting Marconi had to consider the protest against their going made by the superintendent of the settlement of the Anglo-American Cable Co., who claimed that the government should not identify itself with either party. The officials decided that the scientific aspect of the Marconi plan warranted their recognizing him.

The Marconi wireless telegraph office, also in London, have opened negotiations for the settlement of the difficulty between them arising from Mr. Marconi's work here.

It is important that Marconi's operations be expedited, as will cease his experiments here and leave next Sunday for Nova Scotia, where in the presence of the British and American governments, he will select another site for a wireless telegraph station. The intention is to have the station in operation about a week, when he will leave for London.

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CANADA WILL RIVAL THE UNITED STATES

SPEECH BY SIR WILFRID LAURIER AT TORONTO

Postmaster-General Favors Continuance of Policy of Transportation Development—Freight Trains Collide.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, speaking at the reception in honor of the Canadian steel industry...

Dealing further with the balance of trade, he said that the Canadian steel industry would rival the United States. Canada in the long run would displace the United States in the British market.

THE GATHERING TOOK THE FORM OF THE presentation of an address to Mr. Mack, congratulating him upon his reforms in his department and particularly the new establishment of the Labor Bureau and the Australian Mission.

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NOTHING LEFT.

Meeting of Creditors of the London & Globe Corporation.

London, Dec. 16.—During a meeting of the creditors of the London & Globe Corporation, Mr. Gorst announced that the Chinese history, the Chinese government is beset between Russia on the one hand and Great Britain, the United States and Japan on the other.

At a subsequent meeting of the shareholders, Mr. Gorst said that he would be nothing left. Apparently none of the directors, with the exception of Whitaker Wright, knew anything of the enormous transactions of the corporation.

The balance sheet for 1900 was a work of art. Some of the entries made in the balance sheet were as follows: £1,142,000, with assets of £420,000. At a subsequent meeting of the shareholders, Mr. Gorst said that he would be nothing left.

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Chinese Government Will Yield to Power Using Strongest Pressure.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

ONE-MAN POWER.

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EXPRESS TRAINS COLLIDE HEAD-ON

SEVERAL PASSENGERS KILLED AND INJURED

Fire Destroyed Part of the Wreckage—Storms in Wyoming Responsible For Several Accidents.

Salinas, Cal., Dec. 19.—The north bound Sunset express, No. 9, of the Southern Pacific, due to arrive at San Ardo at 12.25 a. m., and the Sunset express No. 10, from San Francisco, due to leave San Ardo at the same time, were in collision this morning. The trains are scheduled to pass at Uplands, a few miles south of San Ardo. The south bound train left Salinas seven minutes late, and through some error met the north bound train head-on one-half mile west of Uplands. The engines and San Lucas. Both trains were completely wrecked, the engines being thrown from the track, and several of the cars telescoped. Train No. 9 was partly destroyed by fire. It is reported that at least ten persons were killed and fifty injured. The south bound train was crowded with passengers, every seat being taken, and some persons being obliged to stand. Among those on the train were eighty discharged soldiers on their way East, and the All-American baseball team from the East on their way to Los Angeles. The track is completely blocked, and no traffic can pass in either direction. The Sunset limited and two freight trains are being held at Bradley.

AMSTRONG REINSTATED

New Westminster, Dec. 19.—George Armstrong was reinstated as the provincial fiscal this morning, having been suspended for several months pending action on the investigation of the royal commission.

EMPEROR WILLIAM RULS A NEW ROLE

DELIVERS SPEECH AT GATHERING OF ARTISTS

Denies He Interfered in Recent Work—Congratulates Berlin on Its School of Sculptors.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—At a dinner given at the palace last night a number of artists who have collaborated in the construction of the Silesia Allee were present. Emperor William denied the prevalent belief that he had intervened in the details of the statuary. He said he had had collected a staff of artists, to work the utmost freedom within the limits of the money available. He said he had received a telegram from Victoria stating that an interim injunction was granted until the 8th of January. Mr. Mills said that this being so, he would adjourn the case until after the interim injunction had expired.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE

At the railway committee to-day Wm. Moore, Toronto, representing Mackenzie & Mann, said that an arrangement was being reached between Edmonton, Yukon & Pacific Railway Co. for approval of a place and date for the junction of the road with the Calgary & Edmonton railway near Strathcona, and would be filed in a few days with the committee.

WRITS ISSUED

Writs for ten by-elections were issued this afternoon. They are for West Dalhart, West Elgin, Kings, Addington, West York, Bruce, and West Bruce, Prince Edward Island.

CENSUS RETURNS

The census department has received returns from the northern part of Burrard, Bennett and Atlin and Cassiar districts giving the population at 2,016.

BACK FROM EUROPE

Messrs. Lenz and Leiser Return From an Extensive Trip to the Old Land.

M. Lenz and Max Leiser were among the passengers by the steamer Rosalie from the South Sea, which they returned to Victoria from a seven weeks' trip to Europe on business and pleasure combined.

BURNED TO DEATH

Ten Men Are Dead As Results of Gas Explosion at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—By an explosion of gas in the Soho furnace of Jones & Laughlin, near Brady street, at 6.50 o'clock this morning ten men were burned to death, and probably twenty others more or less injured. The damage to the plant will amount to \$20,000.

A RECORD PRICE

New York Stock Exchange Seat Sold for \$75,000.

RUMORED SUICIDE

London, Dec. 19.—Lewis P. Kekewich, of the firm of Morrison & Kekewich, a member of the House of Commons, died suddenly this morning. It is said that he committed suicide. The belief prevails that the next few days will suffer heavy losses in copper. The metal exchange has closed as a token of sympathy.

MARCOON'S MARRIAGE

Reported That He Will Shortly Wed Miss Josephine Holman.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19.—It is reported among the friends of Miss Josephine Holman, fiancée of Signor Marcoon, that she will leave to-day for New York in response to a telegram from him. It is also hinted that the wedding will take place while Miss Holman is in East.

AMERICA CUP RACES

Preparations For Building Another Challenger Believed To Be Under Way.

London, Dec. 19.—Sir Thos. Lipton, in the long interview which he had with King Edward yesterday, at which the America cup races were discussed, unfolded his plans for the future. His Majesty exhibited the keenest interest in them, and at times offered suggestions. He expressed the opinion that it would be very hard to get a boat to beat the Americans, to which Sir Thomas replied that he was at least confident he could secure a yacht a good deal better than Shamrock II. When Sir Thomas had finished explaining his reasons for this belief, the King appeared satisfied, and heartily wished him success.

LAD OVER UNTIL EARLY NEXT MONTH

V. V. & E. APPLICATION BEFORE COMMITTEE TO-DAY

Case Has Been Adjourned Until Expiration of the Interim Injunction—The By-Elections.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Hon. A. G. Blair was not able to be present at the railway committee of the Privy Council to-day. There was in attendance Messrs. Milk, Tarte and Brien.

IMPORTANT CHANGE

Tax on Grain Imposed by Railway Companies at New York May Be Abolished.

New York, Dec. 19.—It has been learned from an official source that the most important charges of a discriminatory character on grain passing through the Erie Canal, and the Erie and Ontario canals, have been materially modified, says the Journal of Commerce. This change is the result of a bill introduced in the legislature by the railroads on grain loaded direct into steamships from the railroad cars, and the bill is intended to equalize the charge, originally intended to protect the floating elevator combinations.

DELAYED IS NEARING END OF HIS TETHER

The Boer Commandant Unable to Hold Out Beyond the Middle of January.

London, Dec. 19.—The Associated Press learns that the war office has come into possession of a cipher telegram, purporting to have been sent by the Boer commandant Delarey, stating that he could not hold out longer than January 15th, according to the correspondent of the Times at Pretoria this morning, Delarey is believed to be fifty miles north of Klerksdorp with about 400 men.

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IMPORTANT CHANGE

Tax on Grain Imposed by Railway Companies at New York May Be Abolished.

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DISCUSSION, LITTLE RESULTS

COUNCIL RESEMBLED DEBATING SOCIETY

Advocators of the "Solid Six" Attempted to Block Resolution by Flight, But Failed.

That was left of the "solid six." Mr. Yates, Beckwith, Brydon and...

MARRIED

WILLIAMS-HARVEY—At Vancouver, Dec. 17th, Walter P. Penwill and...

BIRTHS

TON—At Vancouver, on Dec. 16th, wife of J. K. Patton, of a daughter...

FOR SALE

SPORTSMEN, FARMERS, HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS.

The most improved gun, breech loader, set gun, \$24 per doz., or \$2.50...

Worship the Mayor, Chairman Victoria Celebration Committee, 1901.

W. S. GORE, Commissioner of Lands & Works Department.

Notice to Contractor

the streets, bridges and sewers committee of September 10th, the committee...

Ald. Williams said he would support the motion, providing the engineer...

Ald. Cameron wanted his resolution providing that the unopened tenders...

Ald. Kinsman looked at the matter differently. That the committee proposed...

The resolution was then put and an extraordinary thing happened. While...

The "solid six," Aids, Cooley, Brydon and Yates, left the room, and Ald. Beckwith...

"But you're no quorum," said the alderman as he reached for the door...

Nevertheless the motion was declared passed, and the council adjourned.

RUXTON-JAMES.

A Pretty Wedding of Two Young Victorians.

A happy event took place at the residence of the bride's mother, 88 Quadra...

The bride wore a white cashmere and satin dress decked out with...

The groom wore a dark suit, and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. H....

The reception was given at the residence of the bride's mother, and...

The bride and groom were accompanied by their parents and other relatives...

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HOSPITAL BOARD'S MONTHLY SESSION

MISS GORDON HANDS IN HER RESIGNATION

A Brief Meeting of the Directors Held Last Evening—Arrangements For Christmas Cheer.

The regular monthly meeting of the Jubilee hospital board was held in the board of trade rooms last evening.

The report of the resident health officer showed 53 patients admitted during the month, 99 treated, total days stay 1,446, average number of patients 46.3.

The steward reported the supplies were being delivered satisfactorily.

The finance committee's report, which was the next business to be considered, showed accounts for the month amounting to \$2,839.06.

The salaries for the month, amounting to \$768.30, were ordered paid.

The secretary read the minutes of the meeting of the board, which were approved.

The secretary next read the house committee's report, which recommended that the present system of awarding medals be continued during the year 1902.

The secretary then read the report of the committee on the electric light bill for November, which was rather high.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD. Ventilation and Heating of High School Occupancy Attention of Members Last Night.

A special meeting of the school board was held last night, Dr. Hall presiding.

Dr. Hall, one of the recently appointed members, telegraphed his inclination of the hard.

W. Scowcroft, of the B. C. Protestant Orphanage, drew the attention of the board to the advisability of appointing a teacher at the Home, thus relieving the pressure on the North Ward school.

The superintendent, in commenting on the communication, said that there was one room which had only twenty seats, so that no increase of the staff would be necessary.

The usual provision was made for the attendance of the trustees at the closing exercises of the different schools on invitation from the respective principals.

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PROBABLE CAUSE OF LIGHT

SHE MAY HAVE BEEN CAST UPON THE SHORE

Lookout Being Kept for the Baldwin Zeigler Expedition—The Shinoano Maru's Valuable Cargo.

Probably some further clue to the disappearance of the collier Mateawan will be obtained on the return of the steamer Queen City from her long trip along the island coast.

The steamer sails to-morrow night for Cape Scott, and her officers will be the lookout for wreckage that has doubtless been carried ashore by the drift of the ocean currents.

It was decided to pay an honorarium of \$150 to Wm. Henderson for adjudging the crew, which might still have been saved if those aboard had remained with her.

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