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With reference to the foregoing, Premier Bowell told the Times correspondent that if it is so he knew nothing about it.

The writ for West Huron has been issued. Nomination is on the 7th and the election on the 14th of January.

Mrs. Shortis and her lawyer, George G. Foster, of Montreal, are here to-day pressing upon the members of the government for commutation of the death sentence on her son, Valentine Shortis. The cabinet has not yet dealt with the case. The feeling here to-day is that the pressure is so strong upon the government that they will be compelled to commute to imprisonment for life.

The announcement from Winnipeg that the Manitoba government does not purpose introducing legislation into the local house for the purpose of removing the educational grievances of the Roman Catholics of that province fully accords with the preconceived opinions of those here who have closely followed the course of events, or have had any inkling of the negotiations which have been in progress for some time.

Parliament has been called with the specific object of passing remedial legislation. The bill which will be presented has been drafted already.

While restraining Catholic denominational schools, there will be every possible safeguard to secure their efficiency. Certified teachers will be employed and the province will be empowered to say what text books shall be used, with the exception of history. With religious teaching, of course, the province will have nothing to do. The payment of the provincial grant will be made contingent upon the results of the annual examinations.

The department of railways and canals has received full returns of the traffic through the Canadian Soo canal, from the opening of navigation to December 6th, inclusive of the last day of navigation. The number of vessels which passed through was 1,190, of which 605 were Canadian and 585 United States. The tonnage of the Canadian vessels was 128,534, and the United States 623,092.

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Toronto, Dec. 10.—About a month ago Rosalie Gottlieb, of Richmond, Va., and George S. Maxwell, physician and inventor, were married at Washington and came to Toronto on their wedding tour. While here the newly-wedded husband became insane and was removed to the asylum. Then a report reached Mrs. Maxwell, which was shortly after confirmed, that her husband had another wife. Maxwell temporarily recovered from the attack and on being questioned by wife No. 2, calmly admitted he had another one. The shock greatly affected her and she decided to go back to Richmond, Va., which she did this afternoon. Miss Gottlieb is a typical southern beauty and her parents are wealthy. Maxwell's father is a prominent physician of Louisville, Ky.

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As soon as the report of Mr. Wallace's resignation, which appeared to have come from himself, reached here from Toronto, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who seen by the Times correspondent, said that he would have something to say about the matter when he got the resignation of Mr. Wallace, but so far he had not received it.

The news is confirmed by a press dispatch, which says: Hon. Clarke Wallace, controller of customs in the Dominion cabinet, has resigned because he cannot approve the course the government has adopted towards the Manitoba school question.

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Lord Ashchold Douglas and Father St. John have returned from the Northwest, where they have made arrangements for establishing a home in Lake Dauphin district in which to place young lads whom they intend bringing to Canada so as to give them an opportunity to go farming. Before going to the west they purchased property for a home, where they will keep boys before going to the Northwest home. They are following out Dr. Barnardo's system of immigration.

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Constantinople, Dec. 10.—The surprise in the eastern situation, consequent on the flight of Said Pasha as the British ultimatum, which was followed by the landing of British bluejackets from the British gunboat Cockatrice and the British ambassador's yacht Imogene, which caused much complication and delayed considerably the settlement of the dispute between the Powers and the Sultan as to the admission of extra guardships in to the Bosphorus, has about worn itself out, and matters are now assuming the usual aspect.

At the interview which the Russian ambassador, M. Demidoff, had with the Sultan yesterday, it is said that he gave the latter a message from the Czar insisting upon the prompt granting of permission for the passage of the extra guardships through the Dardanelles.

One fact which has leaked out has been somewhat of a surprise

AT DIRECT ISSUE.

The Manitoba government has now made clear its intention to propose no legislation in regard to the grievance of the Catholic minority, its grounds being thus set forth: "It has become perfectly clear that no concession by the legislature will be regarded as a solution of the difficulty, or as removing the alleged grievances, unless such concession admits the principle of and re-establishes state-aided separate schools. Upon the question of the re-establishment of separate schools the government will make no compromise." This may fairly be taken to mean that the government and the legislature would have been willing to concede something less than the re-establishment of separate schools, if they had seen a way left open for them to do so, but the attitude of the Dominion government and of those who professed to speak for the minority seemed to preclude any such step. Along with the statement of the Greenway government's position comes a summary of the measure which the Ottawa government will propose to parliament dealing with the matter. This bill has apparently been drafted with the help of Archbishop Langevin and of John S. Ewart, Q. C., who has been counsel for the Manitoba minority throughout the dispute; therefore it may safely be assumed to embody the smallest amount of remedy the minority and the church are willing to accept. It provides for the re-establishment of separate schools for Catholics in Manitoba, but gives the provincial government a certain amount of jurisdiction over those schools. Certificated teachers are to be employed, and the government may prescribe the textbooks, excepting that in history. The dispatch conveys the information that "the payments of the provincial grant will be made contingent upon the results of the annual examinations." From this it is to be gathered that the bill contemplates a restoration of the provincial grant to separate schools, but no clear statement is made on that point. Nor is it explained how the Dominion authority is expected to enforce the payment of such grant should the Manitoba government and legislature refuse it. We must suppose that some machinery not specified in the dispatch is provided for a contingency like this. And therein lies the chance of a lamentable conflict. From Manitoba's present attitude it does not appear probable that the province will do anything whatever towards the carrying out of this Dominion legislation; neither does it appear probable that the Dominion government can force the province into doing so. Of course there is a possibility of parliament refusing to enact the legislation to be asked for, but that does not appear at all likely. What will be the final outcome? It is hard to say, but the trouble will evidently not cease with the passage of the act to re-establish separate schools in Manitoba. It is a thousand pities the affair has been so mismanaged by the Dominion government that a compromise could not be arrived at.

MR. WALLACE'S RESIGNATION.

After shivering on the brink for quite a long period, Controller Clarke Wallace has taken the cold plunge. Perhaps it should rather be said that the government has pushed him over by the open announcement of the kind of legislation it proposes in regard to Manitoba schools. The controller's action comes a little too late to give him a reputation for heroism. He did not know what was coming was too thin to afford effective shelter. It was a matter of common knowledge that the government had pledged itself to propose the re-establishment of separate schools in Manitoba, if that was not done by the Manitoba legislature, and there were very few indeed who believed that the legislature would prove compliant. Yet in face of this, and in face of his own declarations, Mr. Wallace was a few days ago doing his best to secure the election of a candidate in North Ontario to support the government's policy. His resignation now will not help himself much, while it is sure to do the government serious injury.

THEIR DUPLICITY.

The Times is now accused of being "virtuously indignant at the way in which supporters of the government expressed themselves on that (the school) question in Antigonish." Our worthy neighbor's mental vision is again slightly at fault, for the Times displayed no indignation, virtuous or otherwise, at the way in which government supporters expressed themselves on that occasion. We did, however, point out the hypocritical tactics followed by members of the government in expressing themselves one way in Antigonish and another way in North Ontario. If the government is pledged to remedial legislation, as was said in the Nova Scotia county, why did the government candidate in North Ontario refuse to commit himself for or against remedial legislation? And why did members of the government back him up in this refusal? The reason is obvious. If Mr. McGillivray had openly said he would support the legislation to which the government is pledged, he would have had no chance of election, therefore it was decided that he should conceal his intentions in the hope that he might be snatched into parliament. Of course if he should happen to be elected tomorrow the government will at once turn around and say his election means that the people of North Ontario approve of remedial legislation, and from

that they will probably argue that the people of the whole province of Ontario are like minded. What they will say if he is defeated we could not pretend to know. In the meantime their duplicity and cowardice in connection with the two bye-elections is plain. The Colonist in the course of its laudations repeats its contention that the course followed by the Dominion government is prescribed by the constitution; that is to say, the Privy Council judgment lays on the government the duty of restoring the separate schools in Manitoba, as their draft bill provides. There are many who do not agree with this contention, and the Colonist's Conservative conferees the News-Advertiser is among the non-contenters, for it says in yesterday's issue:

"While it would be unfair to discuss Mr. Greenway's statement without more details than this brief dispatch affords, it is not improper to remark that he assumes a necessity which has not been established, so far as we have observed, or been suggested, either by the decision of the judicial committee of the Privy Council or by the communications made by the federal government to that of Manitoba. Indeed, the Privy Council distinctly stated that the re-establishment of separate schools was not a necessary result of any action that its decision might make desirable in the interest of the minority. Subject, therefore, to fuller information, it looks as though Mr. Greenway was begging the question."

The News-Advertiser is undoubtedly right. The judgment of the Privy Council did not impose on the Dominion government the duty of restoring the separate schools in Manitoba. Nor does the "constitution" prescribe any such task, though it is so glibly appealed to by hidebound government apologists on every possible occasion. The unnecessary work was undertaken by the government solely for the purpose of making party capital.

THAT PETITION.

It will be a waste of effort to keep up the agitation regarding the office of chief of the fire department. From the analysis of the signatures to the petition made by Mr. Campbell the fact is apparent that not more than a small proportion of the responsible citizens actually signed; and those who know anything of petitions are well aware that the names of a good many people were put down in the usual careless way. From the statements made in regard to this petition it appears to have been even a little more farcical than the ordinary. Mr. Campbell says that more signatures can be obtained, which is very likely true. It is at least equally certain that a number of those who signed would withdraw their names if they understood that the real purpose of the petition is the removal of the present efficient chief. Mr. Campbell will perhaps pardon us for saying that the last sentence of his letter is rather nonsensical, in view of the fact that one office is singled out for special treatment. If the people have at present no voice in the affairs of the city, how much will their position be improved by making one officer out of many elective? Do the agitators really believe that they have succeeded in concealing their animus? They must in that case have wonderful powers of self-deception.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Commencing with this date the price of a year's subscription to the Twice-a-Week Times will be \$1.50 per annum. The Twice-a-Week Times has easily led all its competitors in enterprise and popularity, and a reduction in the price of a year's subscription, such as is now announced is no inconsiderable item when that fact is remembered.

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At this season more particularly than at any other time during the year, one's thoughts are prone to turn to distant scenes, where, mayhap, the "old folks" still reside at the "old home;" and the natural thought arises, What shall be the present to send as a mark of love and esteem.

It is quite safe to assert that a large majority of the thousands of "presents" which are each year dispatched to distant friends are unwisely selected, and, though they testify to the desired degree the well-wishes of the donor, fail to bring any lasting comfort to the recipient. This can be avoided if a little wisdom is exercised in the selection of the present. We believe we are expressing an undeniable truth in asserting that all presents should be

chosen with the view of providing lasting comfort to the person on whom it is bestowed.

A point upon which all will agree is that those who occupy a sufficiently high station in one's esteem to be considered at Christmas time are certain to evince a great interest in the locality in which one may for the time reside, and if this be so, an excellent—we may say the best—present to forward would be one sure to convey some idea of the nature of the country in which one dwells and the character, habits, customs and scenes which interest its people. Such a present from those who dwell in British Columbia is found in the Twice-a-Week Times—British Columbia's best and brightest weekly—a paper which chronicles faithfully, fearlessly and completely, every occurrence of public interest, whether local or foreign. We boldly assert that a paid-up subscription to the Twice-a-Week Times is the best present—incomparably the best present—intended for absent friends, that \$1.50 can buy. Nothing would give a friend interested in the land in which you dwell—this glorious province of British Columbia—the hours of pleasure, the real happiness, that he would get from a year's subscription to the Twice-a-Week Times.

Col. Prior, M. P., writes to the morning paper to deny a statement published in a Spokane paper to the effect "that he was in some way mixed up" with Morrison and Cummings in the jumping of the Heilmann mine at Rossland. A few days ago the Col. thought it necessary to deny that he had signed the petition asking for the election of the Victoria fire chief. As to the first charge the Col. thinks there is "a little political animus in it," while his denial of the other was probably due to political expediency. But, seriously, the Col. is altogether too sensitive; he should be stolidly indifferent, like his colleague, to all such absurd stories. It does not look well to be eternally denying something; in fact it suggests a suspicion that there is a weak spot somewhere that needs covering up, as in the case of a woman who is constantly extolling her own virtues. Is Col. Prior not yet assured that his character as a citizen places him above the faintest suspicion of being capable of committing the indiscretion of signing the anti-Deasy petition of the still baser acts of a claim-jumper? The Col. ought really to cultivate a better opinion of himself. We assure him the public look upon the denial of the claim-jumping story as the greater of the two absurdities.

It seems a little improbable that the London Globe's story of Sir Charles Tupper coming over to take Premier Bovell's place can be correct. Sir Charles is now a very old man, in rather indifferent health, and he would doubtless be loath to exchange his comfortable London berth for the "straw post" of premier. On the other hand, he probably realizes that his term of office in London would be suddenly terminated if the Liberals came into office. His own indecent partisanship would be quite sufficient cause for his ejection. Then the Tories have invariably called on him for help in their difficulties; and their present situation is extremely desperate. Taking all things into consideration, it would not be so very surprising if he did consent to relieve Sir Mackenzie. At all events, there can be no two opinions as to the latter's flat failure.

Principal Jordan of the Leland Stanford University says the steelhead is a trout. The California state fish commissioners, acting on this opinion, have decided to stop fishermen from taking these fish in fresh water and selling them. The fishermen, on the other hand, contend that the steelhead is a salmon, and that it is extremely useful as a food fish. They have taken all the steps necessary to have the controversy decided by the courts. The decision cannot be foretold, but manifestly the part of common sense would be to treat the steelhead as a salmon, whether it is a salmon in a strictly scientific sense or not.

Chief Justice Meredith, in a talk with E. E. Sheppard, editor of Saturday Night, has given the quietus to all rumors of his leaving the bench to help the Conservative politicians at Ottawa. Mr. Sheppard asked the Chief Justice directly: "Is there any truth in these rumors?" The reply was: "None at all." "Then you do not intend to retire from the bench?" was the next question, to which the Chief Justice replied: "I do not." Some days ago Chief Justice Meredith's portrait was displayed at a Conservative party meeting in North Ontario, an indecent act which will surely not be repeated now that he has made this plain statement.

Montreal Herald: They have two Conservative associations in Brockville, each of which claims to be the only Sion pure. They have also two Conservative associations in Ottawa, each supporting the claims of different candidates. In Cornwall and Stormont the party is also divided against itself. When the leaders cannot agree among themselves it would be absurd to look for union among the rank and file.

The plan is now advanced that the "present manner of appointing the city officials is inconsistent with the federal principle." This is at least an attempt to give a reason for the petition for the fire department, if not a very successful one. We had supposed that civic officials everywhere throughout Canada

were appointive, not elective, and that all provincial and Dominion officials were in the same position. Are the agitators going to propose that the system be changed throughout the country to make it "consistent with the federal principle"? Or is it only the one office of chief of the Victoria fire department that needs to be changed to bring harmony out of chaos? We trust the chief will not be unduly puffed up by the great importance thus attributed to his office.

Senator Morgan appears to have a very copious flow of words and a very small conscience.

The Times congratulates the Colonist on attaining to its thirty-seventh birthday.

THE FIRE CHIEF'S OFFICE.

To the Editor: The petition recently circulated to have the office of fire chief made an elective one contains 63 more signatures than half of the total number of votes polled for Mayor last year. It contained the names of 241 people actually engaged in business in this city, 22 of whom are grocers, 18 doing business as hatters, 13 as shoemakers and carriage builders, 42 contractors, 32 signed as merchants, 12 mill men and lumber manufacturers and 234 clothiers, tailors, bakers, butchers, lawyers, doctors, boot and shoe dealers, etc., and the balance of the 1041 signatures are mechanics, gentlemen at leisure, bookkeepers, clerks, insurance men and working men, all of whom had represented themselves as being competent to qualify as fire chiefs. The signatures were taken before the 1st of November and any failure on the part of such petitioners to register cannot be attributed to those circulating the petition. Many of our ratepayers have signified their willingness to further circulate the petition with the object of ascertaining whether or not the people have any voice in the affairs of the city.

G. CAMPBELL.

THE FIRE CHIEF PETITION.

To the Editor: The present manner of appointing the city's officials is inconsistent with the federal principle in our system of government, and in other respects defective, as it makes the official independent of the people and unconcerned by the public opinion of the city, and should be so amended as to bring it into harmony with the principles of popular government. By a petition the council has an expression of public opinion upon the question. The chief of the department was elected by the people, and why was the position changed from an elective to a permanent one? It was changed without the consent of the people. The petition is a popular one and is signed by responsible citizens. It does not look well for the opponents of the petition to be eternally denying this fact. It suggests a suspicion that there is a weak spot somewhere that needs covering up. The petition is not concealed from the public and if you find it on the side of the opposition, and not the petition, have had to stand all the abuse. The citizens who support the department should have the privilege of choosing the chief.

G. CAMPBELL.

THE BANK STATEMENT.

To the Editor: In your account of the meeting of the bank creditors you say: "Of this amount \$45,000 owed by the firm had been compromised in 1893, though the books of Green, Worlock & Co. showed the firm still owing that amount." Mr. Beaver certainly could have said nothing of the kind. The facts are these: Two of the partners were released from their liability on this account on certain terms, notes being given for the amount, extending over five years. The securities of the third partner were retained. The account was kept open, so that the amount of the notes as they matured and were paid, and the securities of the third partner as they were realized, could be placed in the hands of the creditors. The assignees in accordance with these securities.

F. H. WORLOCK.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 12, 1896.

With reference to this matter the Times has to say only that it reported Mr. Beaver's statement as it was given, and the reporter could not undertake to supply any facts that were not furnished therein. Mr. Worlock was not present, and evidently speaks merely from assumption.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The full court yesterday in Royal Canadian Packing Company vs. executors of George Williscroft, made an order for the trial of an interpleader issue in case the plaintiff desires it. The garnishee must pay all the cost since the cost of the appeal. A. L. Belyea for plaintiffs and C. E. Poole, Q. C., for the garnishee.

The full court, consisting of Justices Crease, Walken and Drake are today hearing the appeal in *Manson vs. Howison*. The action was brought by the plaintiff for the rescission of a certain agreement, whereby defendant agreed to sell to plaintiff certain lands in the district of New Westminster, and for recovery of certain moneys alleged to have been paid by plaintiff to defendant. The defendant counter-claimed for specific performance of the agreement and payment of the balance due under it. Mr. Justice McCreight at the trial at New Westminster refused rescission and payment of the balance due, and also refused specific performance and the defendant appeals. A. J. McColl, Q. C., for appellant and E. P. Davis, Q. C., and Anslay Morrison for respondent.

London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from the Cape says it is reported there that the Ashantes have deposed King Prempoh, and that the war party have enthroned his mother as Queen in his stead.

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MR. ALLEN'S ADDRESS.

On the Cuban Question is Some-what Rambling, and Not Very Strong.

Labor Federation in Convention.—The End of the Coit Divorce Case.

Washington, Dec. 11.—In the senate today Vice-President Stevenson, in accordance with the rules, instructed the clerk to call the first order on the calendar, which proved to be the resolution of Mr. Allen, Populist, declaring it to be the sense of the senate that the government of the United States should recognize the Cuban revolutionists as belligerents. Mr. Allen said he supposed the resolution would be referred to the committee on foreign relations. He, however, did not allow the opportunity to pass without informing the senate that the Populist party, which was sneered at as a party of domestic grievances, stood shoulder to shoulder with the Republican and Democratic parties for the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine. Mr. Allen commented on some of Mr. Cullom's speech yesterday, and then proceeded to condemn the alliance of the money power of the east with that of England. In connection with this idea as a text, he read a contemptuously written report that Theodore Havemeyer, the retiring Austrian consul-general at New York, was to be made a baron as evidence that that gentleman was ashamed of the country of his birth. Mr. Allen evidently labored under the delusion that Mr. Havemeyer was United States consul to Austria. He also referred to American women who were marrying titled European mendicants.

New York, Dec. 11.—When the Federation of Labor delegates met today the statement was given out that the election of officers would not be reached until next week. The work of the convention is progressing slowly on account of many contested seats. A resolution was offered by T. J. Eldorin deprecating the practice of federated lodges affiliating with Knights of Labor and other similar organizations.

Buffalo, Dec. 11.—Thomas Esford, iron worker on the Elliott square building, tripped and plunged down the elevator shaft from the ninth to the second storey this afternoon. Almost every bone in his body was broken and he died in 20 minutes. He was 27 years old and unmarried.

Nantucket, Dec. 11.—A severe east gale struck this port about midnight and is now blowing forty to fifty miles an hour. The highest tide known in years accompanied the gale.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—At the chess banquet held last Sunday in honor of Harry Nelson Pillsbury, the young Brooklyn chess player, who took first prize in the international chess tournament recently held at Hastings, England, the great St. Petersburg chess player, who won fifth prize in the same tournament, President Slobodov, of the Russian chess club, in welcoming the guests, said Russia had the warmest friendship for America.

GETTING MUCH SIMPLER.

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London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Rome announces that numerous wrecks occurred during the great storms which swept over Italy. Much damage was done, especially along the coasts.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

The local markets are steady, showing no fluctuations in prices, in any direction. Fresh eggs are more numerous than is usual at this time of year, possibly on account of the very mild weather. They are being retailed at 50 cents per dozen, but this price is likely to be reduced in the near future. Large shipments of Oregon apples have been imported during the last week. They are of good quality and retail at from \$1.50 to \$1.75 per box.

100 lbs. Hanger Flour	55 00 to 52 25
Lake of the Woods Flour	52 00 to 50 00
Rainier	48 00 to 46 00
Super	48 00 to 46 00
Plains	48 00 to 46 00
Stow Flour	48 00 to 46 00
Olive	48 00 to 46 00
X. X. X.	48 00 to 46 00
Wheat per ton	\$25.00 to \$30.00
Oats per ton	20 00 to 25 00
Barley per ton	28 00 to 37 50
Middling per ton	20 00 to 25 00
Brn. per ton	25 00 to 27 00
Ground Feed per ton	25 00 to 27 00
Cracked	45 00 to 48 00
Cornmeal, per 10 lbs.	35 00 to 40 00
Oremeal, per 10 lbs.	35 00 to 40 00
Roll'd Oats, per lb.	35 00 to 40 00
Fresh Apples, local	34 00 to 40 00
Cabbages, local	34 00 to 40 00
Hay, baled, per ton	\$8 to \$10
Green Peppercorns, cured, per doz.	1 00 to 1 25
Onions, per lb.	10 00 to 12 00
Lemons (California)	10 00 to 12 00
Rennet, per lb.	20 00 to 25 00
Beans, whole, per lb.	10 00 to 12 00
Apples, Oregon, per box	\$1.50 to \$1.75
Pine Apples	10 00 to 12 00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, per gallon	10 00 to 12 00
Quinces	10 00 to 12 00
Fish, whole, per lb.	10 00 to 12 00
Smoked hosiery, per lb.	12 00 to 14 00
Essex, whole, per doz.	10 00 to 12 00
Butter, Manitoba	10 00 to 12 00
Butter, Creamery, per lb.	10 00 to 12 00
Cheese, Cheddar, per lb.	10 00 to 12 00
Hams, American, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Hams, Canadian, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Hams, Boneless, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Bacon, American, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Bacon, Boiled, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Bacon, Long clear, per lb.	15 00 to 18 00
Bacon, Canadian	15 00 to 18 00
Shonders	15 00 to 18 00
Lard	15 00 to 18 00
Sides	15 00 to 18 00
Meats—Beef, per lb.	7 to 7 1/2
Mutton	10 to 12 1/2
Veal	10 to 15
Pork, fresh	10 to 12 1/2
Pork, sides, per lb.	10 to 12 1/2
Chickens, per pair	18 to 19 1/2
Turkeys, per pair	16 to 20

FOOTBALL.

NAVY V. CIVILIANS.

The Crowtham Association football team met the Royal Arthur team at the cauteen grounds yesterday and defeated them by three goals to nil. On Saturday the navy team will meet the Victoria Rugby team at Caledonia park.

CHESS.

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GERMANIC DISABLED

The Big Ocean Liner Collides With a Coasting Steamer in the Mersey. No Lives Lost, but the Smaller Vessel Goes Down—Germanic Badly Damaged.

Liverpool, Dec. 12.—The White Star line steamer Germanic, Captain McKinstry, from Liverpool today for Queenstown and New York, collided at the mouth of the river Mersey with a Scotch coasting steamer and was obliged to return to this port badly damaged.

The disaster arose through the Germanic driving into the fore part of the steamer Cambrae, and she was wedged there till thirty passengers of the Cambrae and 23 of the crew had clambered aboard the Germanic or had been rescued in boats.

Washington, Dec. 12.—In the house today Mr. Grover went to the clerk's desk and had read that portion of the President's message relating to the results of the new tariff law now on the statute books.

The Congressmen Lapses Into Fugue, While Senator Calls Sentimental. Trunk Line Association Meeting—Federation of Labor on Sunday Closing.

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TURKISH TROUBLES

Notwithstanding the Sultan's Conciliations, Matters Are Somewhat Strained.

Said Pasha Has Returned Home "Assured" of Freedom and Safety.

Constantinople, Dec. 12.—The two incidents which have constituted the centre of sensational interest, namely the refuge of Kutchuk Said Pasha, ex-Grand Vizier in the British embassy, and the refusal of the Sultan to grant the permit for the passage through the Dardanelles of the additional guardships demanded by the Powers, are practically relegated to history through their settlement by the return of Said to his own residence, and by the final granting of the permit by the Sultan.

PHYSICIANS OF CORNWALL, ONTARIO, RECOMMEND DR. AGNEW'S CURE FOR THE HEART.

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GROW'S STATISTICS

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Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 12.—A band of dervishes, mounted on camels, raided and plundered and partially burned a village north of Wadyafa. A detachment of cavalry has been sent in pursuit.

Berna, Switzerland, Dec. 12.—M. Adolphe Luchmann, who was vice-president of the republic for 1890. He is a Radical, and his home is in Geneva.

WOOD MAY WALK TOO

And Then There Will be a Couple of Controllers With Nothing to Control.

Both Offices Will be Abolished for the Present With the Solicitor-General.

McCarthy, Wallace and Clark Will Form the "Big Three" of Ontario.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Clarke Wallace is busy packing up at his office in the department to-day and would not be seen by anyone.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—The resignation of Clarke Wallace as controller of customs, which was sent from this city yesterday morning, will undoubtedly have far-reaching political consequences.

AN EIGHTH PROVINCE

Premier Whiteway of Newfoundland on a Supposed Confederation Journey.

It is Pretty Well Understood He Will Visit Ottawa for That Purpose.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 12.—Premier Whiteway sailed to-day for Canada. The ostensible purpose of his visit is to enter his son in McGill university, but no doubt is felt here that he really goes to confer with the Dominion government about confederation and other questions.

ARMENIA AT HER LAST GASP.

Decimation by Soldiers and Starvation. Letter From Said Pasha.

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch addressed to the Associated Press, and signed by a number of Armenians of Constantinople, has been received here, it says: "Armenia is in her last gasp. The work of extermination continues. The number of people massacred reaches 100,000, and half a million of survivors have taken refuge in the forests and mountains, where they are feeding on herbs and roots. Hunger and cold have begun to make great ravages among them. In the name of humanity and Christianity save us."

THE NORTH ONTARIO VOTE.

Result of the Election So Far—All Parties Working Hard.

Braintree, Ont. Dec. 13.—Considerable interest is being manifested in the election to-day, and things are made all the more pleasant by the fine weather. A large vote is being polled, as all three parties are working hard.

EXAMINING HAYWARD'S HEAD.

It Was About the Normal Size and Shape—Small Brain.

UTAH WILL PROBABLY BE ADMITTED BY PROCLAMATION WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Washington says that the 45th state of the union will be an actuality within a few days.

ANOTHER STAR IN THE FLAG.

Utah Will Probably be Admitted by Proclamation Within a Few Days.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Miss Milla Niola, formerly an actress, but now an aeronaut, says she has traveled from Australia to the United States for the purpose of going over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

HE WILL BE JAILED

A Member of the Reichstag Has the Temerity to Speak His Mind.

London, Dec. 12.—The Times' Berlin correspondent says: Herr Bebel spoke in the Reichstag for two hours to-day. He began by remarking that when the tameness of the speech from the throne was compared with the Emperor's speech on the same day, it was easy to understand why Chancellor von Hohenlohe had been reputed to read the former by proxy.

SCHOOL QUESTION EPIDEMIC.

Spread to Minnesota, Where the Attorney-General Makes a Ruling.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 11.—The state superintendent of public instruction has received an inquiry as to whether or not the law forbade the opening of the public schools with the Lord's prayer, and asking the advice of the superintendent what course to take, when one person in the district objected to the service.

THE PROGRESS OF CHOLERA.

The Dread Disease Still Claiming Many Victims Monthly in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The issuing of the passports to pilgrims to Palestine, has been suspended owing to the disturbances there. In this city there were 73 cases of cholera and 46 deaths from that disease. In the government of Volynia from Nov. 15 to Nov. 23, there were 250 cases of cholera and 94 deaths.

THE POWER OF WEALTH.

Missionaries For Saving Women Run "One to Shield a Guilty Man."

New York, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Mitchell, an aunt of Barbara Aub, told Assistant District Attorney Townsend to-day that she had returned from the Tombs after having had a conversation with her niece, Barbara. During the conversation she said Barbara had told her that she was compelled to make the confession in the Langermann case by the people connected with the Door of Hope mission. The confession, she said, is not true.

The Trials of the San Francisco Battery Prove Satisfactory.

CED... DAY LABOR... V. CONTRACT... THE SEWERAGE COMMITTEE BRING IN A REPORT ON THE WORK DONE BY DAY LABOR.

DAY LABOR V. CONTRACT

The sewerage committee bring in a report on the work done by day labor.

This method is found to be more profitable than the contract system.

No encouragement for the proposal to make the fire chief elective.

The petition praying for an elective chief of the fire department was finally disposed of at last night's meeting of the city council.

The sewerage committee brought in a lengthy report on the work done on the sewers by day labor.

In the report they enter into a comparison between the work done in this way and by the contract system.

Mr. W. G. Eden informed the council that the questions in his previous letter remained unanswered.

Ald. Macmillan explained that Mr. Eden was discharged because he could not or would not do an ordinary man's work on the sewers.

Ald. Macmillan reported that Messrs. Eberts & Taylor had applied for their usual retaining fee until the end of December.

Mr. Taylor at a salary from November 1st, he was of the opinion that the firm should be paid a retaining fee only to that date.

Moved by Ald. Cameron, seconded by Ald. Macmillan, that the claim of Messrs. Eberts & Taylor be not entertained.

J. J. Raymond, water commissioner, reported that a fourth payment of \$19,000 had been made to Walker, King & Casey for work done at Beaver lake.

This makes a total sum of \$36,000 paid to the contractors. Mr. Raymond's report was accompanied by one from G. E. Jorgensen, engineer in charge.

Chief Deasy reported five fires during the past month. The losses amounted to \$110. Report adopted.

Tenders for printing 3,200 circulars were received at the following rates: F. R. Cusack, \$16.50; F. N. Ham, \$16.50; H. G. Waterson, \$17; C. P. Miller, \$18; Colonel, \$16. The tenders were referred to the printing committee with power to award.

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Table with columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Comparative Statement of the cost of Sewerage Work Executed by Day Labor, etc.

Contract No. 8 (McGregor & Jeeves). Cost on basis of contract, \$2,484.22. Difference in favor of contract, \$132.24. Or contract rate 5 per cent less.

Contract No. 2. Cost on basis of contract, \$3,262.21. Difference in favor of day work, \$1,041.49. Or contract rate 57.3-4 per cent greater.

Contract No. 3. Cost on basis of contract, \$2,241.03. Difference in favor of day work, \$421.21. Or contract rate 23 per cent greater.

Contract No. 5. Cost on basis of contract, \$2,391.89. Difference in favor of day work, \$71.17. Or contract rate 31.3-3 per cent greater.

Contract No. 8. Cost on basis of contract, \$1,785.80. Difference in favor of contract, \$34.62. Or contract rate 2 per cent less.

Contract No. 8. Comparative statement of cost of total work on streets above named, executed by day's work, and on basis of average price paid on contracts named.

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FOUND ALIVE IN HER COFFIN. Mrs. Markham's Narrow Escape From Being Buried Alive. Santa Cruz, Cal., Dec. 11.—Ten days ago Fred Markham, a hackman in this city, received a letter stating that his mother had died in Battle Creek, Mich.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Tuesday's Daily.

—Manager Jamieson, of the Victoria theatre, has booked the Pauline Hall opera company for a return appearance early in February.

—Mrs. Gordon Grant and Mrs. William Grant were selected as candidates for city school trustees by the local Council of Women at their meeting yesterday afternoon.

—The horticultural board will hold a series of meetings with the farmers during the winter months. The first of these will be held at Salt Spring Island on the 17th inst.

—Bishop Ferrin returned yesterday from Salt Spring Island, where on Sunday he conducted confirmation services at St. Mary's church, Fulford Harbor, and at St. Mark's.

—The gentlemen who circulated the petition asking that the office of fire chief be made elective, which was received and filed last evening, intend asking either the present or the next council to reconsider it. They will endeavor to get more signatures.

—Owing to the judgment given by Mr. Justice Crease declaring that magistrates cannot have jurisdiction under the small debts act, Magistrate Macrae will tomorrow formally adjourn the small debts court for a week without hearing any cases.

—A committee of the Fruit Growers' association meet in the office of the secretary, A. H. B. MacGowan, Vancouver, on Friday next, to arrange some scheme by which the fruit growers of the province can co-operate in shipping fruit to the various markets in the manner most advantageous for all concerned.

—The funeral of the late James Harrison took place today at 2:30 p.m., from Hanna's undertaking parlors, Douglas street. The Rev. Bishop Cridge officiated at parlor and cemetery. The pallbearers were J. G. Secord, James Dempster, Mr. Porter, J. Rowland, F. G. Brooks, John Christian.

—Mr. H. F. W. Behnsen has received a letter from Charles Burchell of Chicago, asking him to endeavor to find Alexander Stuart, who, when last heard from by his daughter, was in Seattle on his way to Victoria or Vancouver. He is about 60 years of age, six feet high and has red hair. When last heard from he was accompanied by his son.

—Prof. Odium lectured to a thoroughly appreciative audience at the Centennial Methodist church last evening. Postmaster Shakespeare occupied the chair. Prof. Odium is a pleasing and forcible speaker, and he made the most of his subject, "The Voice of Nature." At the close a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer. A collection was taken up in aid of the Columbian Methodist College, New Westminster. Prof. Odium will lecture this evening in the Metropolitan Methodist church. The admission to all his lectures is free.

—Miners and prospectors are likely to find useful the "Handbook of British Columbia Mining Laws," published by Messrs. James Brady and J. E. Brownlee. The mining law of this province, particularly that portion which applies to quartz mining, is notoriously confused and involved, and miners who have usually neither the time nor the inclination to make a close study of the various amendments and consolidations, will be apt to feel grateful for a plain statement of the enactments as they stand. The digest of the law given in the "Handbook" seems to be as clear and accurate as practical knowledge can make it. Other information of a useful character is also given in the little book.

—A more serious charge has been laid against Henry Dutton and Charles Scott, the two young men who were in the police court yesterday for breaking a window. A short time ago they each rented a gun from John Barnsley & Co., and went off on the east coast on a hunting trip. As they wished to return on the steamer Joan, they gave one gun as security for their passage money, and on their return to Victoria secured the other gun. Each were arrested last evening, Dutton just as he was about to board the steamer for San Francisco. The case was called in the police court this morning and remanded until Thursday. James Whitman was arrested to-day as a necessary witness in connection with the case.

From Wednesday's Daily.

—Mr. J. B. Gordon will attend to the business of both the Vancouver and the Victoria offices of the Bradstreet company. The head office will be in Victoria.

—In the recent municipal election at Fort Angeles Mr. C. E. Mallett, formerly of Victoria, was defeated in the race for mayor by five votes by Mr. Miger. The vote was 174 to 160.

—A number of rabbits were stolen last evening from D. Bannfield's, Edmonton road, Spring Ridge. It is surmised that the thieves were some naughty boys, who were evidently well acquainted with the place.

—The ladies of Strawberry Vale Methodist church, assisted by Messrs. Brown, Watson, Rowlands and others from Victoria, intend giving a grand concert on Thursday evening, December 19th, in Colquitz hall.

—Lieut. Col. Peters, D. A. G., has decided that his prize of \$20 for class declining cannot be presented this year, as the required number of members from No. 1 company did not compete. The prize will again be offered in 1896.

—Captain Finnis and the officers of the Royal Arthur, last evening entertained between four and five hundred guests at a farewell ball given in the sail loft of the navy yard. The loft was very prettily decorated for the occasion.

—The police yesterday succeeded in arresting one of the men who have been insulting women on the streets at night. He gave his name as Samuel Gorton,

and has already been identified by one woman. Gorton's case was remanded until to-morrow.

—Mrs. Jamieson, who eloped with Arthur Turner in 1892, passed through the city on Monday evening on her way back to San Francisco, after having spent a few days with her father at Port Angeles. It is said she intends to rejoin Turner.

—There was a large attendance at the At Home given by the Ladies' Auxiliary in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening. Those present spent the most of the evening in dancing, and the music being good and the floor in fine order, thoroughly enjoyed themselves in this way.

—The management of the Sch-Hastie Erskine Furniture company, limited, has again been assumed by Mr. Jacob Sehl, the necessary arrangements to this end having been completed yesterday. Mr. W. E. McCormack, the late manager, relinquishes his position in consequence of the new arrangement.

—William Rountree, of Highland district, was rescued from a watery grave by Officer Walford and T. Douglas last evening. Rountree, who fell from Porter's wharf in the darkness, and when found was clinging to a pile. He was carried into the electric light station, where he quickly recovered from the effects of his cold water bath.

—A protracted meeting of the board of health was held last evening, the only important business being a motion by Ald. Macmillan, seconded by Ald. Humphreys, that the medical franchise be invited to confer with the board and talk over health matters generally. The motion was defeated, the mover, second and Ald. Bragg alone voting for it.

—At the meeting of Colfax lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, held last evening, the following officers were elected: Noble Grand, Mrs. Hutchison; Vice-Grand, Mrs. Dickinson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Grant; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Dempster; Treasurer, Mrs. Phillips. These officers will be installed at the first meeting in January, when the other officers will be appointed by the Noble Grand.

—As Mrs. J. A. Parker, of 10 Perry street, was passing with her baby carriage along Government street this afternoon, a Chinaman answering to the name of Ah Sing, grabbed her purse and the baby's mittens. The Chinaman ran up Terrace Alley, closely pursued by a boy named Rayner, who saw him take the articles. At the corner of Broad and View streets the fugitive ran into the arms of Constable Anderson, who quickly took him to the police station, where a charge of stealing was laid against him.

—The Pacific Club held its annual meeting in the reading room last evening. The financial report was a very encouraging one, showing that during the year a net profit of \$200 had been made. The paying members of the club now number 74. The reports were adopted and a cordial vote of thanks extended to the retiring officers. The following were elected office-bearers for the coming year: Charles Hayward, president; Dixie H. Ross, vice-president; and William M. Wilson, A. G. McCandless, A. Holmes, George Sheiden and J. B. Giffen managers.

—Among the passengers who came down from Alaska on the steamer Whilapa was James Jackson, an educated Indian, who is personally carrying a mail, that is, letters, from Juneau to Forty-Mile, on the Yukon river. This is to be the first attempt ever made at sending the mail into the Yukon by a regular carrier throughout the year. The contract of Jackson is with the Alaska Commercial company, and his visit at this time is to secure four or five long-haired dogs to be used on the sled. Jackson is an old guide, and believes he can easily make the trip, although it is considered extremely hazardous.

—By direction of Mr. Justice Drake a meeting of the directors of the B. C. Pottery company was held in the court house yesterday afternoon to consider whether it was advisable for the liquidator to continue any pending litigation. The various creditors were represented by Messrs. Belyea, Luxton, Irving, Archer Martin, J. L. McLaughlin in person and Mr. Gordon Hunter for the liquidator. It was unanimously resolved not to go on with any legal proceedings but to distribute the assets of the company. It is not anticipated that there will be more than enough—if quite enough—funds to pay the preferred claims of the workmen, the expenses of winding up, which were considerable, being a first charge on the assets.

—If the following registrations may be regarded as any criterion, Valdez island will shortly rival Alberni as the centre of a gold excitement. On December 2nd John Griffiths and W. Armstrong staked off a claim known as the Poodle Dog, on Channel Island, Cardero channel. To-day Donald McCallum registered the War Eagle on the northeast end of Valdez island, about two miles southeast of Hall's point, Cardero channel; T. O'Brien registered the Bold Eagle on the northwest end of the War Eagle; D. Leagh registered the Great Northern, which adjoins the Bold Eagle on the northwest end; Walter Moore registered the Brown Jig, which adjoins the Great Northern on the north-west end, and Henry Rowland registered another claim—name unknown—on the southeast end of the War Eagle. The foregoing are all quartz claims, but assays have yet been made of the ore.—Nanaimo Free Press.

—Mrs. Robertson, the chief organizer of the Rathbone Sisters for the Pacific Coast, was shown around the city yesterday morning by Mrs. G. E. Moss and Mrs. Charles Bush. In the afternoon Robinson Temple, No. 30, was duly organized, and the following officers elected and installed: Most excellent chief, Mrs. George E. Moss; most excellent senior, Mrs. Charles Bush; most excellent junior, Miss L. Hall; manager of temple, Mrs. W. Wallace; M. of R. and S. M., Mrs. W. Walker; M. of finance, Miss S. Townsend; protector of temple, Miss E. E. Kirkwood; guard of outer temple, Miss D. Convey; past chief of temple, Mrs. L. Arnold; wand bearers, Mrs. A. Jackson and Mrs. G. Hunter. In the evening a reception following resolution at to-morrow evening's meeting of the council: "That the city engineer be instructed to define the street lines of Craigflower road, Victoria West, and place thereon monuments as directed by the city council." Ald. Macmillan will also ask leave to introduce a by-law to declare Craigflower road a street.

Castle Hill, Broad street, in honor of Mrs. Robertson's visit.

—William T. Marvin, for many years a successful hardware merchant of Victoria, B. C., arrived in the north yesterday and announced his intention to locate in San Francisco permanently. He will be taken in as a partner in the well known firm of Dunham, Carrigan & Co. Mr. Marvin is a nephew of ex-Senator Charles N. Pelton. His wife, who accompanies him, was formerly Miss Maye Kewen, well known in local and Sacramento society circles.—San Francisco Examiner.

—The Indian stabbing affray at Alberni, which Officer Wallis went up to investigate, proved more serious than was previously reported. Keeltoosh stabbed William Aitchison seven times. It was feared for some time that William could not survive the wounds, but he did. Through some mistake Keeltoosh got off on the first examination, but Officer Wallis went up and succeeded in having him committed for trial. While the officer was on the reserve a wolf dance was in progress. Those taking part would tear dogs to pieces with their hands and teeth.

—Although Magistrate Macrae sat in the Small Debts' Court to-day, he did not consider any cases, in view of the recent judgment of Mr. Justice Crease declaring the court unconstitutional. The magistrate simply further adjourned some of the cases that had been adjourned until to-day. There are some lawyers who believe that the judgment does not prevent the magistrate from sitting, the appeal being brought before the magistrate by a question of law damages and his remarks on the unconstitutionality of the court being simply side remarks. However, no court will be held until the government takes some action. It is understood that the soundness of the judgment will be tested. The direct point as to the constitutionality of the act was to have been argued before Judge Harrison at Nanaimo to-day.

From Thursday's Daily.

—An interesting lecture was delivered by Professor Odium to an appreciative audience at the James Bay Methodist church last evening.

—Good digestion means good appetite, but what's the use without good teeth—Use Odorama for your teeth, it not only prevents decay, but preserves them permanently.

—A meeting of the British Columbia Pharmaceutical Association will be held in Nanaimo Friday next. Messrs. Henderson, Shotbolt and Cochran will attend from Victoria.

—J. A. Ruddick, who made so many friends while having charge of the travelling dairy, has been appointed principal of the school of mining and agriculture at Kingston.

—A pleasant social dance was held at Castle Hill last night. The arrangements in honor of Mrs. Robertson, chief organizers for the Rathbone sisters Mrs. Robertson left for the Sound this morning.

—Special Advent services are being conducted in St. Saviour's church. Last evening those present listened to addresses from Bishop Perrin and Canon Paddon. Service will begin this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Fred S. Crossin, a compositor, well known here, died at Redlands, California, on the 3rd instant. He went south in search of health, but his strength and will failed him, and he died, it is said, that he only lived a short time after reaching there. The body was embalmed and sent for interment to Mount Forest, Ont., where his folks live.

—J. E. Kinsman, eldest son of John Kinsman, of Pembroke street, was married this morning to Miss Louise Leclair, daughter of Frederick Leclair of Glace Bay, C. B. Rev. Solomon Cleaver officiated. Dr. G. L. Macmillan acted as best man, and the bride was attended by Miss M. Kinsman. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsman left on the Rosalie this morning for the Sound.

—George Chadwick, chief clerk in Mr. Shotbolt's drug store, and Miss Harriet Bird were married last evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The bride was given away by her father and attended by her sister. Mr. H. A. Lilley supported the groom. After the customary party returned to the happy couple's new home on Herald street, where a pleasant evening was spent. The bride was the recipient of many presents.

—That it is a serious matter to interfere with an officer in the discharge of his duty was firmly impressed upon Robert Marwick and Thomas Halton in the police court this morning. Marwick had endeavored to prevent Officer Smith from making a seizure to make an arrest, but this he was fined \$10 or in default 21 days. Halton used abusive language to Officer Cameron, and was dealt with in the same manner as Marwick.

—Scott and Dutton, the boys charged with stealing two guns, the property of John Barnsley & Co., were in the police court this morning. They admitted having hired and afterwards pledged the guns, but said they had expected money support from their home in New York. They produced a letter alleged to have been received from Dutton's father, in which it was stated that he had sent \$600 to Scott's uncle in Los Angeles. From inquiries made it was ascertained that no man having a similar name to that of Scott gave his uncle's residence in Los Angeles. The case has been going on all day. The defendants are represented by Mr. H. E. A. Robertson.

—Becoming tired of wading through the mud on Craigflower road, several of the residents of Victoria West replaced last evening the sidewalk removed by the Rev. Mr. Ellison. Sometime ago Mr. Ellison built a fence across this road and the residents tore it down. Mr. Ellison did not venture to replace it, and it is possible that he will now let the sidewalk rest. To settle the long standing difficulty in connection with this road, Ald. Macmillan will introduce the following resolution at to-morrow evening's meeting of the council: "That the city engineer be instructed to define the street lines of Craigflower road, Victoria West, and place thereon monuments as directed by the city council." Ald. Macmillan will also ask leave to introduce a by-law to declare Craigflower road a street.

FLAGSHIP WILL GO.

Admiral Stephenson Decides to Go Out in Search of the Disabled Strathnevis.

Inspector Thomson Says That the Steamer Quadra is Not in Fit Condition.

Arrival of the Canadian-Australian Liner Miowera—Days' Shipping News.

From Tuesday's Daily.

H. M. S. Royal Arthur, flagship of the Pacific station, will go out in search of the disabled steamer Strathnevis, if that vessel has not returned to Esquimalt by Saturday. This decision was arrived at yesterday by Admiral Stephenson, and a notice to that effect was posted up on the bulletin board on the ship. Cables were tested yesterday and this morning, so that if the disabled ship is found there will be no trouble in towing her to port. She will remain out for several weeks, the men having been notified to prepare to spend Christmas at sea. She will take on 400 tons of coal.

The Dominion government steamer Quadra will not go out as reported. Capt. Gaudin, agent of marine, telegraphed to the department at Ottawa to-day that the Quadra was at present unseaworthy and he deemed it inadvisable to send her in search of the Strathnevis. Inspector Thomson made an inspection of the Quadra this morning and found the keel partially broken. She is also leaking. While she could go in search of the Strathnevis in her present condition with perfect safety, still she could render but little assistance to the disabled steamer, as in rough weather the Quadra is liable to make her leakage greater and to further damage the keel.

The tug Fearless, of San Francisco, it is said, has also gone in search of the Strathnevis.

The sheriff to-day sold five shares in the schooner Annie E. Paint. They were purchased by Mr. R. Hall for \$150.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—The Merchants' Exchange has advised that the overdue steamer Evandale has arrived at Yokohama. The steamer has been one month making the voyage.

Like all the outward bound steamers, the Empress of China, which sailed last evening, will keep a close lookout for the disabled steamer Strathnevis. The following cabin passengers went out on the Empress: Mr. and Mrs. Aral and children, Miss Blaine, Mrs. S. M. Bradbury, the Misses Bradbury, Rev. W. W. Bell, L. Bradbury, H. J. Davidson, wife and child, Mr. and Mrs. Goodson, Rt. Rev. F. R. Graves, H. Ishida, E. Johnson, S. Kurudo, G. Lowell, T. Borinura, C. E. Mrs. and Miss Shinwald, Miss Virden and Miss Woolrich.

Lansie, Mich., Dec. 9.—Jug J. B. Campbell, with her crew, was lost about twenty miles off Haven Island on Saturday morning. No particulars have been received. The Campbell is owned by B. B. Inman, of Duluth. She had lately been employed in an effort to rescue the stranded schooner Moonlight home to Duluth from that point when she was lost.

The steamer Islander was placed on the Vancouver route this morning. The Charmer will be placed on the marine ways for her annual overhauling, which will occupy several days.

Owing to having one of her paddle wheels broken by striking a floating log, the Princess Louise was laid up yesterday and the Yosemite put on the Westminister route. In consequence of the delay caused by the accident to the Louise, no mail or passengers came from the Mainland last evening.

Having very little freight for Victoria, the Canadian-Australian steamer Miowera, which arrived here at 3 o'clock this morning left immediately afterwards for Vancouver. The Victoria and United States passengers and mails were landed here. The passengers were: W. C. Wilder Jr., who has been in business in Honolulu for twenty years, and now is visiting the coast cities; Dr. V. I. Capron, and wife, who have been on a visit to the Islands, and W. J. Stoddard of this city, who has also been visiting the Islands. The Miowera had a small cargo, the principal shipment being some Australian wool for the east. The trip was an uneventful one, nothing being sighted. The passengers who went out to Vancouver were: From Sydney, J. M. Bryce, Mr. Wright, H. A. Betts, W. J. Shamp, James Berrow, S. Ryder, J. Campbell, Marks Grover and wife, J. Brabus and Miss Collier; from Honolulu: Mrs. J. S. Wair and J. A. Pelkey.

From Wednesday's Daily.

A large amount of fish has been shipped from Victoria to the eastern markets. Last evening the Kingston took out a cargo of pickled salmon, which goes to Montreal over the N. P. R. On Saturday the same boat took 58,000 pounds of halibut for the east.

The local officials of the N. P. R. vigorously deny that the steamer Rosalie is to give up the fight against the steamer Rosalie. Mr. E. E. Blackwood says that as far as he knows the company does not intend to withdraw the boat from the route, and if they did intend to do so, he thinks he would have heard something about it.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 11.—It is feared that Michael Menzies, John Faulkner and Peter Donnelly, of Boston, and J. McDonald, of Nova Scotia, four members of the crew of the schooner Ethel

Maudie, were drowned in a squall off George's Bank last Thursday. According to Captain McGinness, who put in to port to-day, the men were in two cages attending the trawls when overtaken by the storm.

Active preparations for sea are being made by the sealing schooner Catherine at Grant's wharf. Captain Fulton has already secured his white hunters and crew, and expects to get away by the first of next week. This will be the first schooner to leave for the Japanese coast.

Liverpool, Dec. 11.—A collision occurred in the river Mersey yesterday evening between the British steamer Brunswick, outward bound for Brazil, and the Cunard liner Sylvania, Captain Pritchard, which arrived here yesterday from Boston. Both are seriously damaged.

Hamburg, Dec. 11.—It is announced that the Hamburg-American Steamship company have decided to establish a regular steamer service between New York and Brazil, commencing January next.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—The schooner Elwood is missing, and is supposed to have gone down off the Alaska coast, between Cook's inlet and Glazier bay, with all hands. Her failure to arrive has passed all reasonable time, and the friends of her master, Captain Winkles, hardly have hope that he is alive.

The Norwegian steamship Gorsedd, which arrived at Port Townsend Saturday being long overdue, was still lying there yesterday. She will load a cargo of lumber for Delagoa bay, South Africa, but her charter expired before she reached Port Townsend. She is expecting recharter, however.

British ship Nineveh will load lumber at Moodyville for Sydney, and the Chilean ship Hindostan will load for Valparaiso.

A slight change has been made in regard to the departure of H. M. S. Royal Arthur in search of the disabled steamer Strathnevis. She will leave at daylight on Sunday morning instead of Saturday as stated yesterday.

From Thursday's Daily.

Despite the resolution passed at the recent meeting of the sealers' association not to send any schooners out on the West Coast this season, nearly all, if not all of the schooners will go out as usual. Mr. Munnie, manager of the recently formed Victoria Sealing Company, said to-day that some of his schooners would operate on the West Coast as usual, and it is probable many more will follow his example. They all say the West Coast cruise does not pay, but when the time comes they all get ready to go out. The schooners which go to the Japan coast with Indian crews will start earlier than usual, as so much time is lost on the West Coast. A part of the fleet will start next week, and the rest will leave shortly after Christmas. Of course the West Coast sealers will not leave until later. The boat steers and pulls have succeeded in getting a rise in wages. Last year they got 50 cents a skin, while this year they will get from 65 to 75 cents.

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PRISONERS RELEASED.

The Hawaiian Government Releases Rickard, Walker and Five Natives.

Public Favor the Release of All the Hawaiian Political Prisoners.

Kate Field Has a Severe Experience on a Trip Among the Islands.

Among those who arrived on the Miower was W. C. Wilder, jr., who will visit the principal cities on the coast. Mr. Wilder has spent the last twenty years in Honolulu, and is thoroughly posted on Hawaiian affairs. He states that everything is quiet and orderly there at present. The government is enjoying the confidence of the people, and fears no future troubles unless they are caused by filibusters from the outside.

At a meeting of the American league last month a petition signed by a number of men prominent in both political factions asking for a general amnesty to political prisoners was received. The sentiment expressed in the meeting was that the government should grant a suspension of the sentences. The resolution to this effect passed unanimously, and the petition was presented to the council of state. On the 26th the council met and considered applications for pardons from W. H. Rickard, J. F. Bowler, W. T. Seward, C. T. Gulick, J. W. Biplikane and a number of Hawaiians, the latter supplemented by a petition signed by some four hundred of that nationality. Several of the Hawaiians prayed for consideration and expressed regret for the part played by them in the late uprising.

The merits of the petitioners were discussed at length, and it was decided to pardon seven of them, including W. H. Rickard, T. B. Walker, Robert Palau, Kamama, Thomas Poole, Aleahama and Kauai. When the pardons had been read, Rickard and Walker made a few remarks, thanking the government for releasing them. They expressed deep contrition for the part taken in the late uprising, and promised fealty to the republic.

Both of the men looked well, especially Rickard, who had materially improved in health. It was generally expected that all the prisoners would be released, and there was great disappointment in some quarters because such was not done.

Those remaining in prison are Gulick, Seward, Bowler, Bob Wilcox, Biplikane and John Wise. Public sentiment appears to favor an early release of all. Thanksgiving morning witnessed the largest and best drilled military display ever seen in Honolulu. Over 500 volunteers paraded.

The United Press letter from Honolulu, dated December 2, says: "Mr. Kate Field had a severe experience in visiting the lower settlements in company with the board of health and guests. The steamer Keanouhi landed them early, but in the afternoon was unable to take them off on account of an unusual sea breaking in. The captain had been nearly drowned. The next morning the party crossed the island, twelve miles, the steamer going round fifty miles to meet them. They climbed a 2,000 feet precipice. Through anxiety at their prolonged absence, the steamer Mikahala of M. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the *Cadmo, Ind. Terr.*, Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: 'My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists, Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.'

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Stuart Eldridge, M. D., imperial health officer, Yokohama, member imperial board of health and sanitary inspector of the United States government at Yokohama, has a long letter in the *Hawaiian Gazette*, in which he states that the recent outbreak there was true cholera. It was brought by the Belgic.

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HOSPITAL BOARD.

Ladies Propose to Start a Home for Old Women.

President Davies occupied the chair at last evening's meeting of the public hospital board. The other members present being J. L. Crump, W. J. Dwyer, H. D. Helmcken, A. Wilson, Charles Hayward, W. M. Chadley, J. S. Yates, John Braden, A. C. Flumerfelt and G. H. Brown.

The first and most important item of business taken up was the following letter from Mrs. Walkem:

"For the information of the board, I beg to state that owing to the number of destitute women here, the establishment of a home for them, somewhat on the same footing as the old men's home, would seem very desirable. The scheme for its maintenance might be similar to that adopted by the Salvation Army, and thus make practical self-supporting. Could the board assist the scheme by placing the Maison de Sante at say a nominal rent at the disposal of those willing to take an active part in establishing and managing the home."

"SOPHIE E. WALKEM."

All the members spoke favorably of the scheme, and Messrs. Davies, Hayward and Wilson were appointed as a committee to confer with the ladies. The resident physician reported that the cost of the keep of patients per diem had been \$1.30 for the last month; that having the washing done in the cottage fitted up on the grounds would save five dollars in December for washing, and with a mangle and boiler facilities the cost would be still further reduced. The number of patients admitted during the month of November was 31; number treated, 65; in hospital on December 1, 32. Out of 65 patients 47 were free.

Three nurses had passed the examination and were entitled to diplomas according to the matron's report.

It was reported by the committee of the month that they had agreed to have the washing done on the premises, as both doctor and matron said it could be done more cheaply at the hospital. The committee submitted a plan of fitting up the laundry for \$195 and the committee were empowered to carry out the plan as cheaply as possible.

The special committee on finances reported that the balance of expenditure over receipts at the end of October was \$4800. The report was tabled.

Accounts for November, amounting to \$1251 were passed and the board adjourned.

HONEST HELP.

Thousands of men are suffering because they lack the courage to make known their early errors and to endeavor to remedy them. Nervous weakness, loss of manhood and the many ills due to early indiscretions, excesses or overwork can be quickly, successfully and permanently cured, if you will only let the right people know what ails you. Write to us in confidence and we will tell you, free of charge, how to get cured. I have nothing to sell, but am desirous of honestly helping you. Perfect secrecy assured. Describe your case and address with stamp: L. A. Edwards, P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont. 7.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY.

A Further Appropriation for Surveys Asked from Congress.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—In a letter sent to the house to-day, Congress is asked to appropriate \$50,000 in connection with the survey of the boundary line between Alaska and British Columbia. This amount is asked in view of the possible necessity of running definite lines of demarcation of the Upper Yukon and tributaries, and of providing for contingent surveys which may be required along the boundary in the forested localities. Secretary Olney, in the accompanying letter, says the determination and marking of the limit remains in that part which by treaty forms the boundary between Alaska and British Columbia, is not provided for by any existing treaty.

"When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the *Cadmo, Ind. Terr.*, Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: 'My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists, Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.'

CREAMERY MEETING.

Farmers Organize the Victoria District Dairying Association.

The farmers of North and South Saanich met in Colquitz hall yesterday and decided to at once proceed to organize a company, to be known as "the Victoria District Dairy Association." Mr. Edward Johns occupied the chair at the morning session and Mr. Stevens acted as secretary. During the afternoon session, which was attended by many other than delegates, a draft constitution of the association was presented by Mr. J. F. Chandler and discussed by those present. On motion of Mr. Stevens it was decided that each share should have a par value of \$5 and that not more than fifty be allotted to any one individual. The certificate of association was signed by almost every one present. The meeting was brought to a close by a vote of thanks to the chair and to the ladies of the district, who during the noon hour provided a very tempting luncheon. The site for the creamery buildings will be decided at the meeting of the association which will be called in the near future.

SAN FRANCISCO WAS SECOND.

In the Race for the Convention—St. Louis Got the "Plum."

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—The Reheld at St. Louis on June 16th next. That was the decision reached by the Republican national committee here after a spirited balloting, lasting two hours. St. Louis was first and San Francisco second in favor.

THE BANK CREDITORS

Green, Worlock & Company Trustees May Lease the Bank Building.

The Creditors Not Disposed to Sell the Property by Auction.

From Tuesday's Daily.

About 200 creditors of the estate of Green, Worlock & Co met in the Board of Trade rooms this afternoon. Postmaster Shakespeare was voted to the chair. Mr. Alex. Wilson introduced a motion to exclude the press, but it was voted down, fully three-fourths of those present voting against it.

Mr. Beaven at once began to address the creditors. He stated that the special purpose of the meeting was to consider the position of the real estate, especially in the city of Victoria. There were a good many peculiarities in the formation of the firm of Green, Worlock & Co. that had never been placed before the creditors. The books of Green, Worlock & Co. were in such a lamentable condition that it was difficult to get at the bottom of matters. The figures in those books could not be relied upon. There was a difference of \$21,000 or \$22,000 between the amount shown in the bills receivable account in the ledger and the amount shown by the notes. Other discrepancies were pointed out. Another transaction which gave rise to considerable difficulty was in connection with the real estate. The sum of \$70,000 borrowed on mortgage did not appear in the books at all. Another difficulty existed with the agreement between Mrs. Green and Mr. Worlock in the partnership that existed. Mrs. Green was to draw out of the firm as her share of profits \$300 per month. Mr. Worlock was to receive \$200 a month as profit and as manager. The balance of profits was to be divided so as to give Mrs. Green three-fourths and Mr. Worlock the remaining fourth.

The articles of agreement between Mrs. Green and Mr. Worlock were then read by Mr. Beaven, who said it was his duty to read the creditors when the Times went to press.

From Wednesday's Daily.

When the Times went to press last evening Mr. Beaven was still addressing the creditors of Green, Worlock & Co. After explaining the partnership that existed between Mrs. Green and Mr. Worlock, he proceeded to show the defects in the books after the partnership had been arranged. Every month the interest due on overdrafts was entered on the credit of profit and loss, whether the account was good or bad. By this and other means a large profit was secured on the books each month, and debited to the accounts of Mrs. Green and Mr. Worlock. Mr. Beaven read to a number of the large debtors of the estate and a list of all notes and overdrafts accounts, footing up \$250,000, was laid before the meeting. Of this amount, \$45,000 owed by one firm, had been compromised in the estate. The balance of \$205,000, which Mr. Worlock & Co. showed the creditors, still owing that amount. The \$70,000 mortgage on the bank property was then dealt with. This mortgage became due last April, but there seemed a disposition to forego it. The trustees had taken the Crown Insurance Company to allow matters to remain for the present. The buildings on the property are bringing in \$325 a month, while the payments for interest, taxes, etc., amount to \$500 a month. There was considerable difficulty experienced in renting the bank building, as those who desired to rent wanted to lease and this the trustees had not the power to give. The banking premises were set down in the books as an asset of \$170,000, and were valued now at \$120,000. The trustees had taken the liberty of offering the property for \$100,000, subject to the approval of the creditors. The assessed value of the property was \$85,000. Tenders had been received for the purchase of the property, but not enough was offered to satisfy the amounts offered. On January 1st \$2100 interest would be due on the mortgage. Mr. Beaven made a suggestion to the creditors to form a company among themselves to take over the property. It would be easy to raise \$50,000 on the property, and all that would be necessary for the company to contribute would be the difference between this sum and the price the property would bring. Of the \$12,000 cash on hand about \$10,000 was available for helping to lessen the amount of the mortgage, if that course is deemed advisable by the creditors. During the time the trustees were in office the Denman Island property had been sold at \$5 an acre, which gave \$21,670. Mr. Beaven closed by referring to the increased interest being taken by investors in the province, and he believed with the progress of mining and other industries the bank property might yet be sold at a good figure.

Mr. Thornton fell wished to know the total amount of claims proved against the estate and the amount absorbed in paying dividend No. 1.

Mr. Beaven could not answer the first question, but in answer to the second stated that it required \$20,000 to pay the dividend.

Mr. E. M. Johnson moved and P. Hickey seconded the following resolution: "Resolved that the trustees be instructed to offer for sale the real estate of Green, Worlock & Co., after due advertisement, at public auction, and sell to the highest bidder, and dispose of the other assets as soon as possible to wind up the estate without delay."

John Kinsman thought that if this resolution was carried the creditors would get nothing.

Mr. Alexander Wilson said the resolution was fatal to the interests of the creditors, when the state of trade at the present time was considered. For the first time since the failure the creditors were now able to get an explicit statement of the rotten state of affairs that existed. "Things were full of bedrock, and the future was full of promise for Victoria real estate. The suggestion of Mr. Beaven regarding the formation of a joint stock company among the creditors was a good one. Mr. Wilson represented a widow and three orphans, and he urged the creditors present and those of the other creditors by voting for the resolution.

Ald. McLellan thought it very unwise to make a perfect slaughter of the whole property at the present time. It would be much better to leave the matter in the hands of the trustees for another year. They had conducted the business well and the creditors should not be rash. Trustee Yates deemed it folly to sacrifice all to pay the mortgage, as that was practically all that had to be met at present. The trustees had nearly sold the property more than once, and could have leased it advantageously. The creditors had not the power to lease, but the creditors could give them that power.

Mr. Thornton fell moved and Mr. Kinsman seconded in amendment to Mr. Johnson's motion, that the trustees be authorized to lease the real estate for a period not exceeding five years, with the consent of the mortgagees."

The amendment was carried by a vote of 312 to 15.

Moved by George Brown, that in the opinion of this meeting the available funds should be used by the trustees in reducing the mortgage, providing an extension of time for the payment of the balance can be arranged. The motion was carried.

Moved by Alexander Wilson and seconded by J. Kinsman, that the trustees be requested to proceed with vigor the suit for the recovery of the Gypsum estate. Carried.

The question of definitely settling the amount to be paid the trustees was then brought up for discussion, but as the creditors were rapidly leaving the room, the meeting was adjourned without any action being taken.

HAYWARD IS HANGED

The Murderer Went to the Gallows With a Laugh on His Lips.

Society Rid of a Man Who Should Never Have Lived to Disgrace It.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 11.—Harry Hayward was hanged at 2:05 a.m. this morning. He made a statement of five minutes' duration, and said he hoped he would be forgiven for all the harm he had ever done.

The murderer went to the gallows with a laugh on his lips, and went down with the trap just as he uttered the words lightly: "Let her go, McGarden." The command was directed to the chief deputy. Prior to the execution the condemned man maintained the nerve which has made him famous. He took his last supper shortly after ten o'clock and was surrounded by deputies and the death watchers. Just before the death warrant was read Hayward turned to his brother, Dr. Thaddens Hayward, and said:

"You know I am a great believer in spiritualism. I will get along safely on the other side, and I will send a message to you."

At 2 o'clock Hayward listened to the reading of the death warrant. Soon after Sheriff Holmberg entered. The condemned man said earnestly: "I want to ask you a last favor, please let me pull the trap. It will save you a life long anxiety and will give me eternal satisfaction." The sheriff replied: "I cannot do it, Harry. I know my duty."

On the scaffold Hayward made an extended statement. He said, to please several pastors who had called upon him, he would say, "God forgive me for what I have done." The trap fell at 2:05 o'clock, and the wonderful vitality of the man was shown by the fact that he lived for several minutes after the trap fell. His neck was broken.

Hayward passed a wild time his second last night on earth. He got up from his pallet and shouted to the death watch that Jesus Christ was in one corner of his cell and Satan in the other. He raved frightfully, declaring he was afraid of neither. He then began to throw imaginary intruders out of his cell. It was daylight before he quieted down. Carpenters were hard at work on the gallows, and the clatter of hammers easily penetrated Harry's cell. As the first sound he said to his watch with that hoarse, mirthless laugh of his: "There he is."

It is thirty minutes after the trap was sprung County Physician Frank Burton declared that the swing figure, in which not a movement or tremor was observed, was that of a dead man. The final act in the great tragedy of life and death had been played, and the curtain had been rung down on the career of the chief actor.

The coolest man at the execution was Harry Hayward. Debonnaire as ever, what had seemed more affrontry during the jail days now became in the great dimly lighted gallows room the courage and indifference of a man who at least was not afraid to die. Not a man of the little knot of privileged spectators who had kept the long vigil in the big gray room but whose heart thumped more loudly than the one which was soon to cease its beating. Not a face but turned more chastely than his in the gruesome light.

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Society Rid of a Man Who Should Never Have Lived to Disgrace It.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 11.—Harry Hayward was hanged at 2:05 a.m. this morning. He made a statement of five minutes' duration, and said he hoped he would be forgiven for all the harm he had ever done.

The murderer went to the gallows with a laugh on his lips, and went down with the trap just as he uttered the words lightly: "Let her go, McGarden." The command was directed to the chief deputy. Prior to the execution the condemned man maintained the nerve which has made him famous. He took his last supper shortly after ten o'clock and was surrounded by deputies and the death watchers. Just before the death warrant was read Hayward turned to his brother, Dr. Thaddens Hayward, and said:

"You know I am a great believer in spiritualism. I will get along safely on the other side, and I will send a message to you."

At 2 o'clock Hayward listened to the reading of the death warrant. Soon after Sheriff Holmberg entered. The condemned man said earnestly: "I want to ask you a last favor, please let me pull the trap. It will save you a life long anxiety and will give me eternal satisfaction." The sheriff replied: "I cannot do it, Harry. I know my duty."

On the scaffold Hayward made an extended statement. He said, to please several pastors who had called upon him, he would say, "God forgive me for what I have done." The trap fell at 2:05 o'clock, and the wonderful vitality of the man was shown by the fact that he lived for several minutes after the trap fell. His neck was broken.

Hayward passed a wild time his second last night on earth. He got up from his pallet and shouted to the death watch that Jesus Christ was in one corner of his cell and Satan in the other. He raved frightfully, declaring he was afraid of neither. He then began to throw imaginary intruders out of his cell. It was daylight before he quieted down. Carpenters were hard at work on the gallows, and the clatter of hammers easily penetrated Harry's cell. As the first sound he said to his watch with that hoarse, mirthless laugh of his: "There he is."

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of you think that I am a very devil with a peculiar drawing accent on the first syllable of that word; and if you all know all my life you would think so all the more. I have dictated a statement today on all my life to Edward Goodsell and Mr. J. T. Mannix, a stenographer."

"Where's Ulina?" he went on, somewhat disconnectedly. "Ulina here? I promised to take his dog with me under my arm and make him a record. It would be as good thing for the dog. Let me see now. I certainly had something to say to Mannix, because I have always entertained the kindest feelings for him. You remind me what it was; you know I have been having trouble with my memory lately."

"You're about to meet your God, and should express here forgiveness for your brother, as you did so nobly today, with thoughts of your mother and father before you; you should act as you would have acted during the last forty-eight hours, meeting death manfully, forgiving all those toward whom you have borne any ill-will up to this time."

"Forgive him," said Harry as Mannix finished. Well, I have freely forgiven him for any imaginary wrong he thinks he has done me. He has done me no wrong; I have done him moral wrong. Father Cleary, Father Timothy and Father Christy have taken great interest in me and exerted themselves greatly about my spiritual welfare. I have the greatest respect for each of them. For John Day Smith, my lawyer, also he is a good man; a Christian as well as a lawyer. I have promised him to say something here to-night which I should probably not have said of my own accord.

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