

WHAT IS THE WATER RATE? KNOWN IN THE FUTURE?

County Should Also Provide a Portion of the Annual Loss by Depreciation, Property Committee Says—Civic Insurance.

Are the New St. Lawrence Market Piers Safe?—Experts May be Called in to Decide—Judge McDougall's Bill Stands—Mayor Gets Back at Solicitor Caswell for Gratis Opinions Outside of Law—Insurance Policies for the Second Contingent.

A business man complained to the World yesterday of the way in which the committee at the City Hall kept their appointments with business men. Several of the members of the committee had a deputation to the City Hall to meet a committee and had had to sit in the committee room for an hour while routine was dispensed with. He thought that when such a deputation waited on a committee they should be received immediately, or that when notified to attend they should be there to come an hour later, when the routine would have been dispensed with. There was no money in it for business men waiting for an hour. Business methods should be adopted in this respect, as in all others.

AT THE BOARD OF CONTROL

Experts Will Report on St. Lawrence Market Piers—Judge McDougall's Bill Thrown Out.

The meeting of the Board of Control at 3 o'clock had a long agenda paper to dispose of. G. T. R. Siding on Jefferson Avenue.

The proposed G.T.R. siding on Jefferson Avenue was advocated by Mr. Monteth and J. P. Murray, who said that so far as they were concerned they had nothing to do with the railway's interest. They thought the city ought to give the siding for the promotion of manufactures in the district.

Mr. Russell said that Mr. Arnold had objected by letter in the name of property-owners. Mr. Mayor: That is about as far as we are concerned. The Committee on Works made the recommendation in case of the property-owners not objecting.

Both sides of the matter will go on to the Council. St. Lawrence Market Piers. Walter Barwick opened the discussion about the condition of the piers in the new St. Lawrence Market. He said the Dominion Bridge Company was willing to complete the contract without any delay. But their experts had reported that the piers were not strong enough to support the roof. Enough attention did not appear to have been paid to the design of the roof. Controller Sheppard: I don't see what the design of the roof has to do with it.

Mr. Barwick: Our experts say that disaster is sure to follow if the roof is put up on these piers. What we want is that this question be settled. The Mayor: It is settled in one way or another.

Mr. Barwick: What we want is that it be settled one way or the other, and we will go on with the work. Barwick Sore on Newspapers. Mr. Sidding, the architect of the building, having submitted his plans.

The Mayor: We may think it has been settled by our own expert. Mr. Barwick: I understand from the newspapers— The Mayor: They are no authority at all. They are a lot of talk.

Mr. Barwick: They think they own the country. However, the point is this. Our experts say that these piers can only bear a pressure of from 3.5 lbs. to 4.35 lbs., when they should bear at least 20 lbs. or a maximum of 30 lbs.

The Mayor: Would you ask us to ignore the opinion of our own experts and take that of some experts unknown to us? Settle Between the Experts. Mr. Barwick: No, sir. That would not be business. What we ask you to do is to take steps to settle this difference of expert opinion. If our experts are wrong, we are willing to have the error pointed out. We will recognize any authority to which you will take the responsibility of referring the matter, and if our experts are not supported we are willing to pay the fees. What we say is that if the roof is put upon this building we believe it will fall undoubtedly. And that will be a serious matter for life and property will be sacrificed. We request you now to call your experts to get their opinion on our figures to them.

The Mayor: If there is any doubt we will certainly have our expert authority revised. Mr. Barwick: If you tell us to go ahead now, we will do so, but we will wish our hands to be cleared of all responsibility for the consequences. The Mayor: Exactly.

Mr. Barwick: We won't refer this to experts at all if you direct us to go on and build the roof on. The Mayor: Is not that what you have been ordered to do? Mr. Barwick: Certainly. But in view of the expert opinion we have we would not do it without putting the responsibility on you.

The Mayor: We appreciate the position you have taken, and I think we understand you as you wish to be understood. Controller Sheppard: In case this question does not get settled, would you intend that the delay should be added to the contract time? Mr. Barwick: That is not worth talking about. It would be settled in a few hours. I want it to be understood that we ask no extension of time.

Controller Sheppard: Did our experts pass upon the specifications on the different parts of the work upon which our tenders were accepted? Architect Sidding: The plans and specifications were submitted to Mr. Lennox and Mr. McCullum, by whom they were approved. They were then recommended to Council and Council accepted them.

Controller Sheppard: We ought to have this question dealt with in a few hours. We do not ask Mr. Lennox and Mr. Russell to take the matter up without any delay. The Mayor: Is this an engineer's work or an architect's? Mr. Russell: Not an engineer's. Controller Sheppard: I think we ought to have Mr. Russell's opinion. The Mayor: What about Mr. McCullum?

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these circumstances I have often felt that the small sum paid to the county judge for the work on the water rates, which is not really a judicial work, but when imposed upon him by the statute, is not an improper payment to make.

Mayor Calls it Incompetence. The Mayor: I think this thing ought to stop. The City Solicitor should not provide us with legal advice. He was asked for his opinion on law. I think this is a piece of incompetence in him.

Controller Sheppard: Is the county judge doing nothing for the voters' interests? The Mayor: He is not doing anything for the voters' interests. He is not doing anything for the voters' interests.

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138 Individual Policies. Controller Sheppard: The insurance should be in 138 individual policies. The Mayor: That was what we require. The Board will meet to-day at 11 and satisfy themselves that the policy is all right.

Street Car Service. With regard to Mr. Russell's new schedule for the street car service, Controller Sheppard said it was absurd that an eight-minute trailer should be used instead of a four-minute motor service. Let us have more cars.

Mr. Russell: It is a question whether they need more cars. If it is not found sufficient, we will have to look to the matter. Controller Sheppard: Better refer it back for a report on the lines we have suggested.

The other alterations were passed as recommended. The Property Committee, Works Committee and Legislation Committee were adjourned.

County's Share of Civic Pile. City Will Calculate Depreciation in Making Up the Figures—The Civic Insurance Schedule.

Two interesting discussions occurred at the meeting of the Property Committee, which was attended by Ald. Lamb, Sheppard, Dunn, London, Urquhart.

The report of the Allocation Committee on Property for 1899 on the proportionate amounts to be paid by the city and county respectively towards the cost and maintenance of the combined court house and City Hall was considered.

Ald. Lamb moved the following resolution: That the city should pay 78 per cent and the county 22 per cent of the cost of the building of the court house and City Hall.

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go forward to the County Council, which meets next week, as our answer. They will deal with it, and this committee will then have to take it up again.

Civic Insurance. The schedule of the insurance on the city property, as adopted between a sub-committee and the representative of the fire underwriters, was then taken up. The total showed an estimated value of \$1,568,857 and insurance of \$750,000, to be taken at the rate of \$1.50 as soon as the buildings have been fully completed and regularly occupied.

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A Hard Luck Case. James R. Code, barrister, writes that he has this week been sold out and despoiled of the fruits of the labor of a lifetime by the city who have the honor to represent the premises in question. The landlord, residing on the same avenue, has the honor to pay the monthly rental of \$25. Notwithstanding the fact that taxes are a first charge on land and the premises in question, worth \$200,000, he has to turn upon the street a life-long citizen, helpless, without any means of support, and who is otherwise a laborer. I have not mentioned the name of the party concerned, as I know the circumstances and characterize the act as brutal and outrageous. What does the city propose to do?

International Ticket Agents. C. G. Caldwell, secretary of the International Association of Ticket Agents, writes from Philadelphia to the Mayor asking that an invitation be given to the association to hold their annual convention of the association in Toronto. Mayor Shaw has declined the invitation, but Atlanta, Ga., was chosen.

Local Board of Health met at 3 o'clock, passed the estimates and arranged to visit the proposed site of the new hospital. Ald. Crane is chairman for 1900.

Canada's Hymn of Empire. Written by Mr. Arthur Cox, Treasurer of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Co., composed a poem, styled "Canada's Hymn of Empire." Mr. Cox sent a copy of this hymn to his friend Mortimer Du Perow at Washington, and Mr. Du Perow in return sent it to Lord Pauncefoot, the British Ambassador.

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DISPOSITION OF RUSSIAN WARSHIPS
 Large Number Are in the Far East and Six Are in the Persian Gulf.
 Moscow, Jan. 18.—The present disposition of Russian warships abroad is as follows: Artillery, ten vessels; Nagasaki, 20; Shanghai, 10; Fuzhou, six; Constantinople, 20; Persian Gulf, six; Toulon, one; La Spezia, one; Barbadoes, one; Pacific Station, 20; and the remainder are in the Baltic and the Mediterranean.
GRAND TRUNK MAN KILLED.
 The Pearson was Struck by a Train and Died in Hospital.
 Belleville, Ont., Jan. 18.—John Pearson, employe of the Grand Trunk on the table track near Trenton, was struck by a train to-day, taken as a "mistake" by the train here. He died this afternoon. He was 40 years of age, and lived in Trenton, where he leaves a widow and family.

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GERMAN PRESS MORE QUIET

Convinced That Britain Intends to be Fair, the Comments Are More Sensible.
RUSSIA ASKS FOR A REVISION
 Of Maritime Law—Portuguese Shippers Using French Instead of German Vessels.
 Berlin, Jan. 18.—The German press adopts a more quiet tone regarding the seizure of German vessels by British warships, printing with satisfaction extracts of a similar trend from London papers. Owing to the prospect of a speedy settlement, satisfactory to Germany, to-morrow's interpellation is expected to be calm and non-sensational.
 The Berliner Tageblatt is informed from St. Petersburg that the Russian government is trying to get the support of the French Cabinet for calling an international congress to revise maritime law and to justify the idea of contraband.
 The Hansa-Wagner Case.
 The owners of the Hansa-Wagner, which was stopped in South African waters on December 19th by the British gunboat Paros, and ordered to go to Port Elizabeth to be unloaded, were informed that the cargo would be released as soon as the search of her cargo had been completed, assuming that no contraband was found.

REPORT SAYS THAT BULLER HAS HAD SEVERE FIGHTING

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 but on arriving they found another force of burghers concealed there.
 Later—Six more of the Australians have returned. The rest of them were captured.
EVERY DUTCHMAN PRO-BOER.
 The London Times Correspondent Shows Up the Afrikaner Disloyalty—Schreiner's Position.
 London, Jan. 19.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Times discussing Afrikaner disloyalty says: "I believe the sympathy of every Dutchman in South Africa is with the two Republics, and that a general rising is still quite possible. However, there is nothing to implicate the Bond party as a whole in an official organized conspiracy against the Imperial Government, altho the Bond leaders have winked at or pardoned to sedition in order to preserve their popularity."
 The Pretoria Victory Needed.
 "The British failures and the appearance of the Boers on British territory have wrought rebellion, but even now, a decisive British victory would prevent its further spread."
 What Schreiner is Doing.
 This correspondent testifies to the value of the services rendered by Mr. Schreiner, the Cape Premier, who is in an embarrassing position. He speaks less highly of Mr. Hofmeyr, the real leader of the Bond party and severely condemns the Dutch press of the colony, which, he says, "is doing its utmost, with keeping on the windy side of the law, to promote rebellion and to envenom racial antagonism."

DUTCH PRESS DANGEROUS.

False News is Put Out in Cape Colony to Stir Up the Rebellion—A Lie Nailed.
 Cape Town, Jan. 19.—What the British designate as a "dastardly" lie was exposed to-day. After the battle of Modder River the entire colonial Dutch press published a story about the murder of 80 Boers by the Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders. This caused so much excitement that the Premier of Cape Colony, Mr. Schreiner, asked Gen. Methuen about the report. Gen. Methuen positively denied the story, and the Premier thereupon wrote to the editor of the Cape News, acquainting him with Gen. Methuen's denial and asking his authority for the original story.
 The editor of the News replied that his informant was the head of an important business enterprise in Cape Town, and he would not give his name. He went on to say that this gentleman received his information from an engineer-driver, who had witnessed the murder. Whereupon subsequent inquiry disclosed the name of the engineer-driver, the editor refused to do so.
 To-day the editor makes this statement: "My informant states to-day that he has heard from his original informant that what really happened was this: A party of Boers stood outside a house and fired into the advancing troops, who supposed all the Boers had left. Another company of British troops approached from behind and shot the Boers, which, as you know, was justifiable under the rules of war. I have done my best to reach the source of the original statement, but regret to say that I have been unable to succeed."
 The correspondence was published by Prime Minister Schreiner. The English say this is a fair sample of the manner in which idle reports are published by the Dutch press, for the purpose of working up feeling against the English among the colonial Dutch. The Onland and News are the worst offenders in this respect.

BOERS KILL A LITTLE GIRL.

Deliberately Shelled the Women's Larder at Mafeking With Nine-Pounder Shots.
 London, Jan. 18.—The following despatch has been received from Mafeking, under date of Jan. 3:
 "The enemy began a renewed and vigorous bombardment Jan. 1, and deliberately fired six nine-pounder shots into the women's larder, killing a little girl, and wounding two children. The strategical position is unchanged.
 "Col. Baden-Powell sent a strong protest to Commandant Symington, against shelling the women's larder.
 "Two miles killed by a shell were eaten by the Kafirs."
BOER WOMEN MUST LEAVE.
 General Gatacre Gives Fair Warning to the Boer Commandant That They Take Chances.
 Sterkstroom, Wednesday, Jan. 17.—General Gatacre has warned the Boer commandant that if their women are not removed, they must take their chance of being shot, in the event of an attack. All is quiet here.

SMALLPOX BREAKS OUT

In the Boer Camps in Natal—Orders Calling Out Rifle Associations Cancelled.
 London, Jan. 18.—The Durban correspondent of The Standard, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "The Government has cancelled the orders calling out the rifle associations for active service.
 "It is reported that smallpox has broken out in the Boer camps in Natal."
THE DISLOYAL CAPE MINISTRY.
 Only One Man Went to Meet Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener on Arrival.
 London, Jan. 18.—The Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Jan. 18, says:
 "At 10 o'clock Solomon, who went to meet Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener, informed his colleagues in the Cape Cabinet that if none of them went he would not refrain from going. All declined. Mr. Schreiner (the Premier) sent his secretary, Mr. Solomon was hoisted by the crowd, but his action is now approved. Lords Roberts and Kitchener have taken buildings for permanent offices."
HAS THE TIDE NOW TURNED?
 War Office Satisfied That the News Henceforth Will Be of a More Hopeful Character.
 London, Jan. 19.—The officials of the War Office here are satisfied that the tide has turned in Natal, and that news of a more hopeful character will be received from the front hereafter by the rule instead of the exception. The British advance in a northerly direction will be fiercely resisted is fully anticipated. The Boer force is probably superior to the British, and the despatches show the burghers occupy strong positions.
 Is Warren at Spraken? There is some doubt as to whether the Spraken occupied by Gen. Warren is identical with Spraken. If so, the British are within a few miles of Acton Homes, the scene of the carrier conflicts between Gen. White's forces and the invading Free Staters, whence there is a good road direct to Ladysmith.
 Boers Fired on Advance Guard.
 While Gen. Warren's forces were crossing the Tugela River, the Boers occupied a thickly-wooded plantation a mile north of the river, and sent several volleys into the advance guard. The British replied, and the artillery opened on a neighboring kopje. As the British pushed across the river, the Boers fired their position unobtrusively, and retired to the hills.
 The Whole British Force Crossed, Immediately after the pontoon bridge was completed the whole British force crossed, it is thought probable that a combined forward movement has since developed. In the meanwhile the naval guns on Swartkop have been persistently shelling the Boer encampments facing the kopjes occupied by Lyttelton's Brigade.
 Just a Little OE.
 London Daily Mail: The mounted section of the second Canadian contingent numbers 80 men.
 A Cousin in Toronto.
 Mr. Stair Dick-Lauder, secretary of the Albany Club, is a full cousin of Col. Dick-Cuningham, who was killed in the furious attack on Ladysmith, when the Boers were last repulsed.

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\$12.00

BULLER MUST FIGHT FIRST

Before Rumors of the Relief of Ladysmith by His Force Can Be Believed.
 London, Jan. 18.—A Cape Town special despatch, dated to-day, says it is persistently reported there that Ladysmith has been relieved.
 Where General Buller is.
 London, Jan. 18.—The rumors from Cape Town that Ladysmith is already relieved are apparently ahead of the facts. In any case, Lord Roberts, whose report was despatched this morning, was not aware of it, and his dates preclude the possibility that the troops mentioned in his despatch have so soon reached the beleaguered town.
 Prospects of Success.
 There are some discrepancies in the telegrams, the whole tenor of the news points to Gen. Buller's second advance having begun with good prospects of success, but it is generally recognized that with an enemy so resourceful as the Boers have proved themselves to be, it is idle to indulge in overconfidence. The net result, so far as we know, is that Gen. Buller occupies two commanding positions north of the Tugela River, thereby securing at least two crossings, by which he can bring up necessary reinforcements.
Fighting Must Come First.
 London, Jan. 19.—(12.30 a.m.)—At midnight the War Office announced that it had no further news for publication. When questioned with regard to the rumored British victory and the relief of Ladysmith, the officials replied that they had received no information to bear out either feature of the rumor, and were inclined to think that serious fighting must precede the relief of the town.

Men's Reefers and Skating Coats,

in plain pilot coats, beavers and friezes, cut double breasted styles, with or without silk velvet collar, heavy tweed linings, sizes 34 to 44, blue, black and grey effects, the prices were \$5, \$6 and \$7.50. On sale Saturday
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Boys' \$3.50 Reefers for \$2.00.—Double-breasted, with velvet storm collar, heavy or medium weights, in all-wool, beaver, niggerhead and nap cloths, fancy plaid linings, well tailored throughout, sizes 22 to 30. Bring the boy early.
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 Thousands of Cloth Caps, in all patterns at 25c, regular 50c.
Winter Caps Must Go.
 68 Men's Seal Wedge Caps to clear at \$4.50, regular price \$8.00.
 47 Men's Beaver Clogs to clear at \$4.00, regular \$7.00. This is almost one-half.
 10 dozen Boys' Imitation Grey and Black Lamb Caps, wedge and Dominion shapes, were 35c and 35c. Saturday 25c.
 17 dozen Fine Imitation Grey Lamb Caps to be sold at 25c, regular 35c and 60c.
 75c for 35c.—Only 12 dozen left of those beautiful Imitation Grey Lamb Caps, with corded satin linings, quilted and wadded the same as a \$4.00 cap. Come early as they will not last long, regular price is 75c. Saturday 35c.
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HOW THEY JOIN THE BOER FORCES.
 Foreigners Leave the Train and Walk Across the Transvaal Border.
 London, Jan. 18.—A correspondent of The Daily Mail at Lorenzo Marquez says: "Numerous foreigners arrive here in French vessels, they entrain at a station outside the town, and leave at a station before the Transvaal is reached. Then they walk across the border and rejoin the train. Hundreds have passed through in that way since the outbreak of the war."
ROBERT BARR ON THE BOER WAR.
 The Novelist Opens the Eyes of the Pro-Boer Sympathizers in the United States.
 New York, Jan. 18.—Robert Barr, the novelist, has arrived here from England. Speaking of the Boer war, he said: "The interest of all England, of course, centres on the Boer war, to the exclusion of everything else. The feeling there is tense, but I should not say it felt apprehension. They are angry, too, that the Boers are better armed, outclass them in artillery and other machinery of war, but in spite of the losses already sustained, England has resolved to see it through at all hazards, and personally I have no more doubt of the British conquering than I have that our troops must overcome the Filipinos."
 A Few Pointers.
 "People with pro-Boer sympathies should remember that there have been other raids than Jameson's. In 1896 and again in 1897 General O'Neill headed Fenian forces, which tried to invade Canada from this country. The Dominion Government captured O'Neill on this last raid, and imprisoned him for several months, when they let him go, altho 'they would have had a right to hang him if they had wished to. Canada never held the United States responsible for this movement, nor was it allowed to disturb the entente cordiale existing between the two countries."
 What Would Uncle Sam Do?
 "But how long do you think this country would remain quiescent and do as no question. If Canada should suddenly begin to build a chain of forts along her line of frontier, by the latest guns from Krupp and other makers, import rifles of the latest make, together with millions of rounds of ammunition, and go systematically to work to drill her population? Do you think 'Uncle Sam' would stand by? I don't. He'd probably, in very short order and in no uncertain manner, ask 'Why this armament, and with whom do you expect to fight? My territory lies to the south and north-west of you, and everywhere else the open sea. Now, to attack whom are you making such preparations?' And filling a satisfactory answer trouble would ensue. But what the Boers have done is just this very thing. Surrounded by British territory, they have made warlike preparations, and with all the talk there has been of this being a war of England's seeking, the chance of an English soldier has not as yet been set on Boer soil."
WERE LOOKING FOR A FIGHT.
 What a Member of the Canadian Contingent at Belmont Wrote on Dec. 10.
 Frank Webb of this city has received a letter from a member of the first Canadian contingent. The letter is dated from Belmont, South Africa, Dec. 10, 1899.
 We expect an engagement to-morrow. Our scouts have just returned to warn us that the enemy will be only five miles away, and 600 strong. We have to sleep in our clothing all the time, and get up in the morning at 3.
 I have been over the battle-field to-day, and found a number of dead Boers whose British were unable to bury, because of the rocky ground. They have been dead ten days. Of course, the British dead were buried, but the Boers were more numerous, and some had to be left.
 "We expect to be in at the battle of Spryfontein. We have captured four spies, as well as much goods and many cattle."
 "There are two things about the climate that are trying—the hot sun, and the scarcity of water. At some places we have had to drink muddy water.
 "After the sun goes down, it gets dark in 15 minutes. Our meals consist of hard tack, coffee and canned beef."
 "Lochaber No More."
 The words of "Lochaber No More," set to the music played by the pipers at the funeral of General Wainwright and the Highlanders killed at the battle of Magersfontein, a description of which was given in yesterday morning's World, are as follows:
 Farewell to Lochaber, and farewell, my Jean,
 Where heartsome with thee I have many day been;
 For Lochaber no more, Lochaber no more,
 We'll maybe return to Lochaber no more.
 These tears that I shed they are a' for my dear,
 And no for the dangers attending on war;
 The' here on rough seas to a far bloody shore,
 Maybe to return to Lochaber no more.
 The hurricanes rise and raise every wind,
 They'll ne'er make a tempest like that in my mind,
 The' roughest of thunder on louder waves 'twas war,
 Than naething like leaving my love on the shore.
 To leave thee behind me, my heart is fair pain'd;
 By ease that's inglorious no fame can be gain'd,
 And heavy and love's the reward of the brave,
 And I must deserve it before I can crave.
 And the glory, my Jean, manna plead my excuse,
 Since honor commands me, how can I refuse?
 Without it I ne'er can have merit for thee,
 And without thy favor I'd better not be.
 I gae thee, my lass, to win honor and fame,
 And I should luck to come gloriously hame,
 I'll bring a heart to thee with love running o'er,
 And then I'll leap thee and Lochaber no more.

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 Men's Imported Worsted Pants, in neat hair line stripes and pin checks, made from through and through worsteds, heavy weight and long wearing, they have a perfect set that defies the tailor's work to beat it, regular 2.48, only sold at \$3.50 on sale Saturday 2.48
 Men's Heavy Ribbed Cashmere Sox, Double stitched heels and toes, extremely comfortable and long-wearing, regular 30c, Saturday..... 19
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 Although the wholesale price has jumped skyward, ours are going southward. "A word to the wise, etc."
 Men's Call Lace Boots, the majority of them are Goodyear welted, the regular prices were \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50. On sale Saturday, \$1.99.
 Men's Tan Lace Boots, good grain stock, French buckram, oiled toe, sizes 8 to 10 only, boots well worth \$2.25. On sale Saturday, \$1.50.
This is Rubber Weather in Earnest.
 Men's Rubbers, made by the Granby Rubber Co. We clear them on Saturday at 65c. The price of rubber is top notchy, and we will not be able to duplicate this stock at the same figures, so come to-morrow.

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Prisoner Made a Few Passes and His Honor Calmly Said, "Twelve Years."
 New York, Jan. 18.—John D. Blanchard, 34 years old, an ex-convict, was convicted Monday of robbery in the second degree in Part II of General Sessions, and came up before Judge Foster yesterday afternoon for sentence. Blanchard said that he was a hypnotist.
 "Oh, I'll be all right," he said. "When I am brought up for sentence I'll just hypnotize the judge, and I will get out on an suspended sentence. Now, see if I don't."
 When the prisoner was arraigned Judge Foster said: "Well, Blanchard, they say you are a hypnotist."
 "That's just what I am," replied Blanchard, emphatically.
 He peered intently at the judge and made a few passes with his hands.
 Judge Foster moved his head drowsily, and Blanchard made a few more passes. The silence of the court was intense.
 Suddenly Judge Foster removed his glasses and said:
 "That'll do, Blanchard. Twelve years is the sentence. You are to be confined in Sing Sing."
 He required several moments before order was restored in court, owing to the excitement.

Macrum at Naples.

Naples, Jan. 18.—Mr. Charles E. Macrum, former U. S. Consul at Pretoria, who left Lorenzo Marquez on Dec. 18, bound for New York, landed here to-day. It is reported that he bears a letter from President Kruger to President McKinley, asking the latter to mediate between the Transvaal and Great Britain.

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A fine stock of new patterns in Marcellite quilts, for single, double or extra large bed; honeycomb specials at 75c, 85c and \$1; honeycomb, pearl hemmed, ready for use, full double bed size, \$1.25.

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For evening, street or carriage wear—made in all-wool reversible cloaking, in plain color, fancy and color. Dressing gown, an exclusive exhibit on our ground floor. See our displays of "The Kelvin" and "Inverness" Capes.

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A 1900 display on first floor, made to our order from fine cambric, showing an expert workmanship in every particular. Distinctly high class, perfect distinctness; moderate; Cambric Corset Covers, Skirts, Drawers, Gowns.

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New stock now in full display. Swiss embroideries, furnishings, edgings and insertions, in handsome lace-like designs. Special January offers in embroideries \$2, 3c and 4c.

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See the special table display of Black Dress Fabrics and Suitings. Extra values in skirt lengths, plain and fancy, in handsome lace-like designs. Dress lengths, \$2.75 to \$4.75. Special dress lengths, \$2.00, regular \$3.00. See the grand display of New Black and Colored Suitings—Cambric, Hosiery and Cheviots, in the latest styles and weights for present wear.

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In cashmere, opera flannel and other fabrics, made up in good styles, at exceptionally attractive prices.

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METHODIST SOCIAL UNION

Held their Twelfth Annual Banquet Last Night in Trinity Church.

SHEA'S THEATRE

The twelfth banquet of the Methodist Social Union was held last night in Trinity Church. The attendance was large and the evening was one of the most pleasant and profitable of any the union has yet held.

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NEWS OF THE STAGE AND PLATFORM

"The Rounders" at the Grand.

By far the cleverest comedian seen in Toronto for years in a comic opera is Harry Davenport, who sings and acts the part of Duke de Paty du Cham in "The Rounders," presented for a first time last night at the Grand. He portrays a man of the world who has tried everything and found nothing in it. He is an excellent singer and an accomplished actor. At no time in the opera does he forget the role he assumes, but he lives it with such perfection that it is refreshing to the mind to perceive him, Toronto and its best comedians, who gain their ends by horse-play and grotesque make-up, but seldom has a comedian of such strength of his cleverness, avowedly a make-up of tortoise umbles, made the hit that Harry Davenport did last night.

Max O'Rell With England.

Max O'Rell, who lectures in Massey Hall on Monday evening next on "The Little Folks of John Bull, Sandy and Pat," arrived in New York from France yesterday. He is on his way to America, to give a number of lectures by favoring the British in Rouen. During an address he delivered at Rouen, on his travels, he was constantly interrupted, and at its close was mobbed by an angry surging crowd. He felt confident of the ultimate victory of the British, and believed such a victory would be for the benefit of the world. Seats for the lecture, which will contain much of special interest at this juncture, are going very fast.

Mark Hambourg is Coming.

Musical students remember the delight with which they first heard Paderewski on his recent visit to America. Now comes another great young pianist, whose concert has been fixed into that of "The Little Folks of John Bull, Sandy and Pat," who has created a sensation wherever he has appeared. He is Mark Hambourg, who has been called the young Siegfried of the piano and the Schubert of the twentieth century. He will be heard in the concert of Friday, Feb. 9, at Association Hall, 110 St. Nicholas street, at 8 p.m. He is a pianist, and as a concertist is a supple strength, grace, speed, and a voice remarkable for its sweetness rather than its strength. Grace, speed, as the actress, strength, grace, speed, as the actress, strength, grace, speed, as the actress, strength, grace, speed, as the actress.

Mr. Blakeley's Recitals.

Mr. Arthur Blakeley, the talented organist, who gives organ recitals in the Sherbourne Methodist Church at 4 p.m. on Saturdays. These splendid recitals have been a Saturday afternoon feature in Toronto for some time past. Mr. Blakeley's program for tomorrow night is as follows: I. Gullmatt, Funeral March and Serenade; II. Mendelssohn, No. 10; III. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; IV. Wagner, Parsifal; V. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; VI. Wagner, Parsifal; VII. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; VIII. Wagner, Parsifal; IX. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; X. Wagner, Parsifal; XI. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XII. Wagner, Parsifal; XIII. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XIV. Wagner, Parsifal; XV. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XVI. Wagner, Parsifal; XVII. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XVIII. Wagner, Parsifal; XIX. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XX. Wagner, Parsifal; XXI. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XXII. Wagner, Parsifal; XXIII. Liszt, Les Maitres Chanteurs; XXIV. Wagner, Parsifal; XXV. 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MINING ON THE COAST OF B.C.

What is Being Done on Texada and Vancouver Islands and on the Mainland Shores.

VAN ANDA MINES AND SMELTER.

Scenes of bustling activity, due to the enterprise of a young American—Mr. Stecker, Alberni and Port Hughes.

Pacific Mining Lett. No. 30—Relating to mines on the coast of British Columbia and on Texada and other islands.

The Van Anda, Texada Island, Dec. 20—Most of the attention hitherto devoted to eastern mining men to British Columbia mines has been directed to the interior of the Province.

The Kootenays and the Boundary regions have been exploited, but the coast districts comparatively little has been heard.

For the reason of this state of affairs we have not far to look. It is a well-known fact that in the last place American enterprise was responsible for the birth of the mining industry in British Columbia.

Our country from Spokane and other points in the United States, recognizing the wealth that lay in the Canadian mountains, immediately over the boundary line, came over and opened up such deposits as those of the Red, War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, Cariboo and Payne, mines, and afterwards Toronto, Montreal and English capital fell into line.

The interior of British Columbia is therefore a position lying farther away from the headquarters of the energetic American pushers, the coast districts have not been brought into prominence.

But at last the United States has turned her eyes this way and the indications are that the mountains and deeply indented coast of the Province, with its outlying archipelago of islands, will shortly become fashionable.

One condition especially favorable to mining in this part of British Columbia is the abundance in the accessibility of smelters from either the mainland or the coast islands.

All ore may be carried by cheap water transportation either to the Van Anda Reduction Works on Texada Island, or to the Everett and Tacoma smelters, on the American coast line.

The Island of Texada. Two years ago the site of the town from which this letter is dated was an unbroken wilderness, so dry, as a result of American pushers, is one of the liveliest of the world's greatest oceans.

The establishment of the Van Anda Mining and smelting enterprise has resulted in a veritable wave of human industry.

In that arm of the Pacific Ocean which lies between the islands of Vancouver and the mainland, as does the coast of the United States, there are a number of islands of various shapes and sizes.

From the west coast the forested mountains of Texada rise thickly forested with fir and spruce, and it does little land favorable for agricultural purposes.

The island has a number of small streams, and is well wooded except as one of nature's storehouses of timber. Within the four or five years, however, the early prospector has disclosed the fact that there is a mineral belt of considerable proportions and much promise.

This mineralized zone is gold, silver, copper and iron, and so far as ascertained it extends for miles in length, and is of a southerly direction, and boasts similar lateral dimensions.

Favorable Mining Conditions. The country rock of this belt includes granite, porphyry and limestone, and the mineral belts occur in the same order of contact of these formations.

The leads have a general easterly and westerly trend, and for the most part are very strong and carry high values.

These general deductions are based upon the development work already done upon the deposits, which is of course only in its infancy. In addition to the gold and silver resources, Texada is remarkably well equipped with many accessories, necessary to the economical carrying out of mining and smelting operations.

It is surrounded by deep water, which allows of a free run right along the shore at almost any point. These freight and passenger steamers include six regular vessels between Van Anda wharf and Vancouver city, so that nothing of the once-week boat from Victoria and Nanaimo, and thence to the shore of large deposits of lime and iron, and the revenue of Japan and Chinamen.

The supply of timber and fresh water on the island, fills up the cup of favorable conditions that render mining and smelting easy.

In Vancouver Harbor. Vancouver, at which one takes the steamer for Texada, is situated on the main coast region, but it is a very precious infant. A mere hamlet 15 years ago, it now boasts a population of 200,000 people, a business quarter containing buildings of extensive proportions, and a number of fine residential sections that would do an eastern city proud.

Its docks, which make it an embryo Liverpool, front upon a magnificent bay, and the whole atmosphere of the place inspires the visitor with a strong desire to set out for the mysterious lands across the sea.

A Coast Voyage. The Texada steamer, which one takes at Vancouver at 9 o'clock in the morning, after getting out of the harbor, points her head northward and plunges away up the Gulf of Georgia. Past the mouth of Howe Sound, on which a number of the copper deposits have been partially prospected, the boat makes her way, and later at about two or three logistic camps on the mainland coast.

Early in the afternoon our steamer lands at an Indian village, to put on shore two priests whom we had on board. A line of fishing boats, and a crowd of men dry on the beach formed the foreground of the hamlet, and behind these a collection of log huts, and a few wooden houses of uniform design and all chimneyless, stood grouped about the dominating feature of the scene—the vine-covered Roman Catholic church. As our steamer hove to the shore, and a brass cannon, gotten down in years ago by the wreck of a Hudson Bay Company's canoe, belched forth a salute to the representatives of the

church. Soon a sharp proved dug-out, manned by several Indians, put out and the breakers, and taking the priests off the steamer, made for the land. As the same moment the Indians on the shore rushed down into the sea and, seizing the boat, carried it to the water's edge, and in a twinkling were on their way to a place of safety above tide water.

The churchmen, however, were not so fortunate. The canon boomed forth a second salute, and an Indian brass band struck an air, and the Indians, who were on the arrival of the fathers, who, during the next week, were to be the honored guests of a goodly portion of their year's earnings.

The Town of Van Anda. The shades of evening were falling, ere the Conox, our steamer, was called. Reached our destination on the island, and tied up in the deep water alongside the Van Anda Company's wharf. The wharf, which is situated on the north side of the island, is a fine structure, and is the work of the Van Anda Company's wharf. The wharf, which is situated on the north side of the island, is a fine structure, and is the work of the Van Anda Company's wharf.

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Still another property, to which my attention was called, was in Victoria, and is situated on the east side of the island.

This mining letter will serve to give the public a slight idea of the preliminary development work that is being carried on upon the islands adjacent to it.

Frank D. L. Smith, Toronto Mining Exchange.

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SCRAMBLE TO BE REOPENED. An English Company Has Bought It and Will Find Out How Matters Stand.

DEVELOPMENT OF ELECTRO-GOLD. Bully Boy Will Put in a Power Hoist and Pump—News From Rat Portage.

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SHORTS AND SELLING WHEAT

Considerable Liquidation Yesterday

on the Chicago Market.

Sentiment Seems Bearish - Corn

Broke on Selling by Loans -

Good Cash Demand for Oats -

Provisions Were Erratic-Latest

Commercial News.

Thursday Evening, Jan. 18.

Lower cables started another selling

movement in wheat at Chicago today, with

a consequent sharp decline. Closing quot-

ations were: Jan. 22 5/8, May 6 1/2, July

8 1/2.

Liverpool wheat futures are weaker to-

day, closing 8d lower than

Thursday. Corn also closed 1/4 lower than

yesterday. Flour is unchanged at 17s 6d.

Flour receipts at Montreal today, 1300

bbls; market quiet and unchanged.

The Cincinnati Price Current in its week-

ly report, states that the past week has

been mild, with some moisture, and wheat

crop conditions generally satisfactory.

Producers are taking the bulk of the corn,

and there is not much surplus. It is for

a profitable season for feeding operations.

The wheat's packing season is estimated

at 60,000, against 50,000 a year ago.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing prices at im-

portant wheat centres to-day:

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British Markets.

Liverpool, Jan. 18.-Wheat, Nor-

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exchange, with C.P. and cable news.

London was weaker, but Montreal

values were firm, with fair activity.

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