

Mr. McCall's Valedictory

Disgraced President of New York Life Resigns the Position.

Appreciates His Own Errors More Than His Creditors Could.

Successor a Retired Merchant and Philanthropist of New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—John A. McCall today resigned the presidency of the New York Life Insurance Company and Alexander E. Orr was appointed in his place at the salary of \$100,000 a year. Mr. McCall's salary was \$100,000.

SITUATION AT SHANGHAI.

Troubles Subside and Two-thirds of British Patrols Withdraw.

Shanghai, Jan. 4.—The situation here is normal. Two-thirds of the bluejackets who have been patrolling the foreign concessions re-embarked today, pending the final settlement of the mixed court session.

THEATRICAL STRIKE BREAKERS.

New York, Jan. 4.—At the Metropolitan opera house tonight was staged that chorus numbering one hundred men and women was being rehearsed to take the place of the chorus which went out on strike last night. The strikers demand recognition of the union and increase in salaries from \$15 to \$25 a week.

KILLED BY MACHINERY.

Roseland, Jan. 4.—William Goodine, an employee of the China Creek Lumber Company, today while oiling the shaft his clothing caught in a set screw and he was sent whirling around the shaft. He suffered frightful injuries, his leg being broken and his head crushed, but was still living when the machinery was stopped and he fell to the floor.

HE'S PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER.

Effect of Mayor McClellan's Break with Tammany.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Pennsylvania Democratic leaders applaud the appointments of Mayor McClellan of New York here. It is said that Col. J. M. Guffey, member of the Democratic national committee, has advised his friends that the action of Mayor McClellan has put him in line for the Democratic candidacy for president in 1908.

ELOPED WITH AN AGED MAN.

Rome, Jan. 4.—A great sensation has been caused by the elopement of a daughter of Count Lutero di Teverolo, 19 years old with Giovanni Corrao, who is 63 years old. Both belong to the most ancient of the nobility. Count Corrao was arrested by the police.

A CAD REBUKED.

Brigadier-General Grant Fittingly Reverses to a Most Unseemly Incident.

New York, Jan. 3.—For requesting an under officer to change his seat at a theatre, First Lieutenant Taylor of the artillery is reduced in rank twelve numbers. He was tried by court martial last week, and the verdict was announced today. The offense was committed at a theatre in New London, Conn., where a sergeant of Taylor's company, who was in uniform, vacated a seat at the request of Lieutenant Taylor.

PRETTY COUNTRY WEDDING.

Marriage at South Saanich of J. H. Downey and Marion Camp.

A very pretty country wedding was held at St. Stephen church, South Saanich, last Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The contracting parties were J. H. Downey of North Saanich and Marion Edith, only daughter of the late John and Mrs. Camp of Saanichton, the bride being escorted by her father, Mr. G. W. Anderson, Sr., of Lake district.

ASK FOR RESPITE.

Council for Condemned New York Lawyer Wishes to Appeal.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Gov. Higgins was requested today to grant a respite to Albert T. Patrick who is under sentence to be executed during the week of January 22, for the murder of an aged millwright, Wan. M. Rice, of New York city. The request was made by counsel for Patrick in order to give them time to perfect an appeal to the supreme court of the United States. Governor Higgins has not yet decided what he will do.

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Adjutant of the Fifth Regiment Joins the Reserve of Officers.

Attempt Will Be Made to Re-arrange Affairs of York County Loan.

Senator Church Dies Suddenly on 71st Anniversary of Birth.

OTTAWA, Jan. 4.—Major D. B. McComan, of the Fifth, is transferred to the reserve of officers with the rank of captain.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—James Ricknell has given notice that he will apply to the legislature for an act to reorganize the affairs of the York County Loan & Savings Co. and to give effect to a scheme for the reconstruction of the company and to incorporate a company for such purpose.

PETITIONS DISMISSED.

Petitions against the return of W. T. Felford, Liberal, for North Grey, and Col. Tisdale, Conservative, for Norfolk, were dismissed this morning, no evidence having been offered on either side.

ANOTHER BANK MERGER.

It is understood that another big financial merger is likely to be consummated, viz., the absorption of the Metropolitan bank by the Bank of Montreal.

BRITISH CHARGE WANTS EXPLANATION.

Demands Meaning of Letter of Rojstevsky to a Newspaper.

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United States Government Will Buy Schooners.

The story that the United States government is to buy out the Canadian sealing interests, which are centred at Victoria, is again revived in a Washington dispatch which states that not only has Secretary Root settled the question of the Great Lakes fisheries with Great Britain but he is also on the eve of settling all questions between the United States and Canada, excepting that of reciprocity.

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Eastern Railroads Decide to Continue Practice of Complimentaries.

COLUMBIA, Jan. 4.—Announcement was officially made today that the agreement made by the railway and the central traffic association, to absolutely abolish passes is essentially brief, and the meeting at Chicago yesterday to hear the reports of the respective committees on the matter of passes was practically without result, insofar as getting all the lines to abolish passes. Trunk lines like the Pennsylvania, the Baltimore and Ohio and the Norfolk and Western, stood together, but the little lines demanded that they be allowed to use their own option regarding passes to the newspapers. This was granted and a dozen sub-committees were appointed to hear cases in the central traffic division where passes may be allowed. The trunk lines are, however, actually annulling the agreement abolishing passes. Today the Big Four and the Baltimore and Ohio announced that they have inflexible books for the newspapers if they want them instead of cash advertising.

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Explosion in the Virginia Coal Fields Results in Many Deaths.

Rescue Parties Take Up Work But Are Driven Back by the Gas.

No Hopes for Any Survivors of the Outbreak Owing to Gases.

BLUESFIELD, W. Va., Jan. 4.—Twenty-one miners were killed in an explosion of gas in the shaft of the Cooper Mine Company at Cosdale, W. Va., at noon today. Up to midnight only one body had been recovered. Immediately following the explosion, which was heard for several miles, rescue parties set to work to explore the wrecked shaft.

Cosdale is a mining town situated on the line of the Norfolk & Western Railway and is 15 miles west of Bluefield. The mining cars and most of the property used in the mine, are supposed to have been blown to pieces. At 5:30 p. m. the body of one of the miners was discovered some hundred feet away from the mine entry, so mutilated that it is unrecognizable. All hope of recovering alive the miners entombed by the explosion was shattered.

The Pouring Forth of Gases. If the 21 men were not killed instantly by the explosion it is believed that they would have succumbed to the great accumulation of gas since the explosion. Great crowds were attracted by the disaster and a large rescue party was soon at work. An effort is being made to force the gases ahead so that the rescuers might enter the shaft. This will require some twelve or fifteen hours.

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Conference on Moroccan Affairs

No Fear of Disagreement if Open Door Is Germany's Only Demand.

Sensational Reports of Possible Rupture With France Are Discredited.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—"So long as Germany confines her demands at the conference to opening Morocco to foreign trade on an equal basis, there will be no difference of opinion at Algiers," said an official of the foreign office to the Associated Press today.

While the officials here decline to comment on the cable announcement that the United States stands uncommitted on the question of policing the Moroccan frontier, some disappointment is expressed in other circles because it had been expected that the United States would endorse the position of France. This point seems to be the only one on which a disagreement is probable in Great Britain do not consider the Franco-German situation as serious. It is true that the reports emanating from France had a slight effect on the stock markets, but this was only temporary. The British government is going on with the arrangements for the Moroccan conference, and while it is admitted that Germany may raise questions which will cause irritation, it is not believed that this will prevent the conference from arriving at a final and satisfactory settlement. It is certain that Great Britain desires this, and while her action will be in accord with France, she will exert herself to prevent any approach to a rupture.

If Germany's proposals regarding the protection of her trade do not interfere with a fair field for the trade of all countries, she is not likely to meet with any opposition from Great Britain. While the correspondents in Berlin and Paris are sending lengthy despatches outlining the views of their respective capitals, the London papers make no comment on the Moroccan situation.

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Returns Published of Immigration Statistics for the Last Fiscal Year.

Vacant Portfolio Will Not Be Awarded Until After the State Funeral.

Paying teller of Canadian Bank of Commerce suicides at Winnipeg.

OTTAWA, Jan. 2.—After a spirited contest, Mayor Ellis was re-elected today for the second year.

New Year's day love of the governor general was very largely attended. His excellency was surrounded by Premier Laurier and the members of the cabinet.

Immigration Returns According to the official statement, the total number of immigrants who were inspected on entering Canada during the last fiscal year was 123,891.

The vacant portfolio British Columbia is going to make a big bid to secure the vacant portfolio for Senator Templeman.

St. John, Jan. 2.—All the composers, pressmen and stereotypers of the evening Times quit work yesterday in consequence of the dismissal of a machine operator.

Port William, Ont., Jan. 2.—As evidence of the rapid development and commercial importance of this town it may be stated that six foreign banks are already established here and another will open a branch in the near future.

Winnipeg, Jan. 2.—Robert G. McCosh paying teller in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself in the head.

C. P. R. Land Sales During the month of December, 52,125 acres were sold by the land department of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Winnipeg's Building Record Buildings erected in Winnipeg last year 4,122 at a total cost of \$10,846,290.

SNOW IN NEW MEXICO. Unusually Heavy Fall Covers Entire Area of Territory.

Albuquerque, Jan. 2.—After twelve hours of snowfall, one of the heaviest snows for many years now covers the whole of New Mexico.

MURDERER'S THIRD TRIAL. Slayer of Governor Goebell of Kentucky Again Sentenced.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The supreme court of the United States today affirmed the decision of the Kentucky court of appeals in the case of James B. Howard vs. the State of Kentucky.

PHILADELPHIA BOODLERS. Former Official on Trial to Answer Two Hundred Counts.

Philadelphia, Jan. 2.—John W. Hill, former chief of the filtration bureau, was placed on trial here today before Judge Aldrich in the criminal court, charged with forgery and falsification of the records of the filtration bureau.

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Fiscal Reform Would Be First Question Dealt With by Unionists.

Conservative Leader Enters Into Campaign With All Old-Time Spirit.

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During the year some extensive fens of timber lands have been made.

They too, in a few years, will make way for the logging railway, timber is logged off the water.

Of course, timber which is now a scarce commodity in the lumber trade is being destroyed by fire.

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A Report on the Farming Interests

Some Notes of the Progress Made During Year Just Closed.

Annual Statistics Compiled by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

Although the annual statistics

There are a great many people

There is great improvement

Grain was considerably injured

Road crops generally short

Fruits.—Mr. Van Dusen, judge

Beef cattle have done exceedingly

Dairy cattle show a marked

Horses.—The weather during

Sheep.—Production limited

Improvements are evident

The improvement everywhere

Pass of Melfort May Have Had Insufficient Men to Handle It.

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The true Cause and the true Cure.

How and why "Fruit-a-dives" completely eradicate this disease from the system.

Catarrh means inflammation.

Ordinary catarrh is inflammation of the nose cavity opening into the throat.

Because indigestion means an irritated stomach.

The only way to cure Catarrh is to cure the cause of catarrh.

Indigestion must be improved—inflammation in stomach soothed—blood purified—and the liver strengthened.

will always cure Catarrh of the throat and nose because these cure indigestion—sweeten the stomach—and eradicate all impurities from the blood by its stimulating and invigorating action on liver, bowels, kidneys and skin.

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Send a box of 50 boxes for \$2.50. Best price on receipt of price, if your drugist should not have them.

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YEAR'S PROGRESS IN BOUNDARY

An Interesting Resume Compiled by The Boundary Creek Times.

"A year of plenty" was 1905, so far as a country was concerned.

It was also a year of substantial development from a mining point of view.

Those interested in the mining development of the Boundary fondly anticipated the year 1905.

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The Great Field Marshal to be of the General Staff.

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Despondent Because of Approaching Discharge Led to the Act.

Winnipeg, Jan. 2.—Overcome

The Act Was Premeditated

TRUJILLOUS SAN DOMINGO.

Rebels About to Besiege City and Decisive Engagement Expected.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, Jan. 2.—A

London, Jan. 2.—A despatch

It is evident that the growth

WORKINGMEN ATTACK DRAGONS

Riga, Jan. 2.—(Livonia Russia)—

On the Petrovich branch of the

NEW YORK ASSEMBLY.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 2.—James

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This time she had the ill luck to lose by drowning her third engineer...

Deceased was endeavoring to go ashore when he met his death...

A Treatise on Poultry Shows

An Instructive Article Contributed by Expert Who Will Be Here Shortly.

The poultry exhibition has become a powerful factor in the growth and development of the poultry interest in this country.

The multiplication of poultry breeders and of the birds themselves...

Breeding for beauty is a high and worthy end...

The fancier in helping the poultry exhibition is but helping himself...

GOOD LUCK FOR 1906.

(Written for The Colonist) Fellow citizen be patient and bear me to the end...

Once a friend of mine told me, what has impressed me ever since...

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The newspapers are not affected by this strike, since the eight-hour day has been the rule in these offices for some time.

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New Officers of Trades' Council

First of Year's General Meeting of Local Labor Body Last Evening.

A Review of Events During Year Presented by President Coldwell.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The Victoria Trades and Labor Council held its first 1906 meeting last evening, President Coldwell in the chair, there being a large attendance of delegates. The annual address of the retiring president, G. A. Coldwell, was as follows:

To the Officers and Members of Victoria Trades and Labor Council:
Brethren—I sincerely trust that each and all the delegates who are present tonight realize the importance of the year 1906 to the workers of this province and I may say, of the whole Dominion. The first session of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada on the Pacific Coast will be held in this city on September 1st, and upon the following officers and members will devolve the duty of preparing for Labor Day—also to be celebrated in our city this fall—and the entertainment of our Eastern and other delegates. It is of the utmost importance that these matters be taken up at once, and ways and means discussed for the carrying out of these events in a manner which will reflect the highest credit both to the council and the city, whose well known reputation for hospitality extends to the world over.

Affiliation with Congress—It is my duty in this connection to refer to the very kind and courteous treatment accorded the executive of the council in their interviews with the various unions with regard to affiliating with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, and pointed out the advantages as soon as it was pointed out to them. Other unions have yet to be seen, however, and I would suggest that this matter be given immediate attention by the new officers.

Organization—This is too important a matter to delay too long, and I believe of the new executive were to take the matter up at once with Mr. F. C. Draper, secretary Dominion Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, and pointed out the advantages as soon as it was pointed out to them. Other unions have yet to be seen, however, and I would suggest that this matter be given immediate attention by the new officers.

Financials—While our financial balance is not as good as it was last year, I am sure you will all agree that the money expended has been in the best interest of the council and of organized labor in general, and the real benefit and results will be returned in the very near future.

Tuberculosis—It is to be regretted that the attention of all to the fact that Dr. Fagan will address the next meeting of the council on this subject, which is of vast importance to us all, and would earnestly request that all delegates be present to turn out in full force. Dr. Fagan has made a special study of this disease, and his address will prove not only interesting but instructive.

Attendance—While the attendance of delegates has not been the best, I hope that in view of the importance of the work to be accomplished this year, it will be necessary to request the delegates to attend with regularity. There will be enough important business before the council to keep all delegates busy.

In conclusion, I wish to thank each and all the officers for the courteous treatment which I have had the honor of being presented.

G. A. COLDWELL.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the president, and consideration of the address recommended to the incoming executive.

The financial secretary, C. Sivertz, presented his annual report. A yearly report was also made by the treasurer, Mr. Johnson. Both were received and the officers tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

Delegates Piper and Gilligan reported on behalf of the library that the commissioner had, at the request of the Trades and Labor Council's representatives, been in the public library a number of times and a splendid lot of books on technical subjects and mechanics. No library on the Pacific Coast contained any better, and all workingmen were urged to request to avail themselves of the advantages within their reach.

J. A. Baynton.
The officers-elect made short speeches, which were well received and contained much practical advice that will prove invaluable to the unions in general.

MARINE NEWS

(From Thursday's Daily.)
R. S. Empress of Japan, Capt. Pybus, arrived yesterday morning from Japan and China after a stormy passage with 21 minor passengers and 21 minor crew members.

The steamer Empress of Japan, which left Yokohama for Victoria, was expected to reach San Francisco, but had not been reported, it being the intention of the Japanese line to rush the steamer to the coast to land it in New York in advance of the Empress.

The passengers included A. Vignon, French diplomat, belonging to the legation of France at Peking, Mr. W. Bernich, a German merchant from Shanghai, bound to Bremen to purchase the machinery for a large glass factory which Chinese capitalists proposed to erect in Shanghai.

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City of Puebla Has Not Arrived

Making Slow Progress and is Expected to Reach San Francisco Tomorrow.

Charles Nelson's Ineffectual Attempt to Tow the Derelict Steamer.

Steamer City of Puebla is expected to reach San Francisco tomorrow in tow of the steamer Chehalis, a small steamer schooner of 420 tons, whose owners will earn much salvage as a result of the tow.

The steamer Queen, which reached port early yesterday morning from San Francisco, had been informed of the predicament of the Puebla by Capt. Preble of the Charles Nelson, who spoke the Queen and Capt. Cousins accordingly kept a close lookout for the derelict steamer.

Thinking the steamer might have been blown seaward he altered his course further from the land, but did not sight the Puebla. The steamer Terje Viken, a Norwegian collier which had rough weather on her northbound trip, arrived last night on route to Ladysmith four days from San Francisco, without bringing any word of the steamer.

R. F. Rihet & Co., local agents of the steamer, last night received the following telegram from the Pacific Coast Steamship office at San Francisco: "Last information we have of the steamer City of Puebla was that she was spoken in tow of the steam schooner Chehalis on Sunday at 8:30 p.m., twenty miles southwest of west of the Columbia, all well. As the vessel with tow is not making over five miles an hour she is now near Cape Blanco. The weather is fine. A tug is leaving here to assist. The circumstances are not such as tend to cause anxiety. It is impossible for the Chehalis and her tow to reach here before Friday morning. Expect reports from here to-morrow. Will wire when we receive them."

The Charles Nelson which spoke the derelict but failed to keep her, was in San Francisco. On Saturday last the steamer Charles Nelson when on route to the City of Puebla rolling in the sea with distress signals flying from her masts.

The Nelson spoke out words of distress and knew that her sea companion was in dire trouble, but the heavy sea and blowing gale rendered it impossible for the Nelson to do much. Capt. Preble of the Nelson went as close to the Puebla as possible and attempted to pass lines to the drifting vessel. Before the Nelson could get under way with her tow the lines parted and the heavy sea running prevented the Nelson from giving further aid to the steamer.

The two steamers narrowly escaped collision, and falling to assist the broken down liner the Nelson proceeded. When the Puebla was last seen by the Nelson she was under sufficient sea to give her steering way, and she will probably be able to weather the storm, which must have enveloped her Saturday and Sunday.

According to the statement of Capt. Preble, of the Nelson, the City of Puebla was about 10 miles off the Columbia river bar when his vessel approached.

"When the steamer Chas. Nelson arrived at San Francisco Tuesday, she reported having had the derelict steamer City of Puebla in tow, but was unable to hold her."

"I did my best to earn about \$50,000 salvage money," said Captain Preble, "and save the lives of the Puebla's passengers and crew. We were in the mountains and every one went over me, so I was in danger of going to the bottom myself."

"The passengers crowded the rail in spite of the storm to encourage us, but at last the strain was too much for them. They were in the boiler and look to ourselves. We were in more danger of being crushed than of being something terrible, and each time we got a line aboard her I thought it would be the last."

"After we left her and had made repairs we sighted the steamer Whittier and the steamer Queen and told both captains of the derelict. I think one of them will surely find her and tow her into port. If the Whittier gets there first she will get that salvage."

The City of Puebla sailed from Victoria on Friday last for San Francisco. The steamer, which belongs to the Pacific Coast Steamship company, is an iron steamer of 1881 built by Cramp & Sons. She is 320 1/2 feet long, 38 1/2 feet beam, and 20 feet 3 inches deep. Her commander is Japanese, an experienced navigator on the Pacific coast waters.

Victoria passengers on the Puebla were: J. H. McLachlan, of Postoffice Savings Bank; H. H. Gray, of the United States naval officer, Miss Theresa Morrison, a missionary and W. W. Miller, G. Mayerson, F. Galby, M. Woodley, A. E. and Master Spooner.

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Beaten But Not Conquered

Russian Workmen's Council Confess Government Was Too Strong.

Regrets Loss of Best Leaders But Will Continue Bitter Propaganda.

Agitators Will Devote Special Attention to the Army and Navy.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—A general meeting of the workmen's council and delegates of all the Russian organizations has been held in session secretly since last night, perfecting their future program for the coming year.

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JANUARY!

The Month of Quick Clearances

These Sales continue again today and every day this month with vast quantities of merchandise re-priced every day to make the sale of increasing interest. We can't stop to give lengthy descriptions of many of the lines in this sale, but we can assure you that everything offered during this month is of the same high standard of quality which the David Spencer Company insists upon, and goods are simply marked at a lower price than what they sold for in the usual way.

Be Sure and See Tomorrow Morning's List On Sale Friday

\$0.50 For Brussels Carpet Squares; also 3x3; value \$18.75.
\$13.75 For Brussels Carpet Squares; also 3x3; value \$13.75.
\$14.50 For Brussels Carpet Squares; also 3x3; value \$10.50.

Tapestry Carpet Squares \$3.50 to \$13.50

5 Pieces Only, Wool Carpet 1 yard wide. 50c a yard

75c For Japanese Rugs; value \$1.25.
\$1.25 For Japanese Rugs; value \$1.75.
\$5.50 For Japanese Rugs; value \$10.00.

Oilcloths and Linoleums 20c, 35c and 50c a yard

12 1-2c A pair for Men's Scotch Knit Wool Socks; value 25c.
45c A pair for Men's English Wool Golf Hose; value \$1.00.
65c Each for Men's Fancy Top Shirts; value \$1.00 and \$1.25.
25c For Boys' Soft Bottom Shirts; value 50c.
\$1.85 For Men's Sweaters; value \$2.00.
\$8.75 Each for Solid Leather Suit Cases.

Women's Wool Underwear On Sale Today Wonderful Values

ENGLISH NATURAL WOOL COMBINATIONS (WOMEN'S) ANKLE LENGTHS AND LONG SLEEVES, ALL SIZES. 10 Suits in the \$4.50 and \$5.00 grades. January Sale price \$2.75. 25 Suits in the Indian Cashmere Natural Combinations, all sizes; price \$4.50 and \$5.00. January Sale Price \$2.75.

WHITE WOOL COMBINATIONS, unshrinkable, English make, shapely; prices \$3.50 to \$5.00. 50 Suits. January Sale Price \$2.75.

BLACK RIBBED COMBINATIONS 5 to \$2.00. January Sale Price \$1.50. Long sleeves and ankle length.

PINK COMBINATIONS, silk and wool ribbed; 3 only at \$4.50. January Sale Price \$2.75.

NATURAL WOOL DRAWERS (Women's) - Indian Cashmere, English make, 18 pairs; price \$2.50 to \$3.00, according to size. January Sale Price \$1.75.

WHITE CASHMERE DRAWERS, heavy make; price \$2.50 to \$4.50, 14 pairs. January Sale Price \$1.90.

WOMEN'S NATURAL VESTS, English make, 18 only, all sizes; price \$2.50. January Sale Price \$1.50.

Dominion News Notes

Mayor of Ottawa Institutes for Bill Against Ex-Alderman.

Lord Strathcona Again Tackles Up Question of Trouble With Preston.

Campaign of Instruction Seed Grain Commences at Brandon.

OTTAWA, Jan. 8.—Mayor Elliott filed a suit in the high court against ex-Alderman G. Black for certain alleged statements made during the campaign for the mayoralty. Mr. Black claims \$5,000 damages. Mr. Elliott has accepted service of writ and will defend the application. Meanwhile they ask the public investigation before a judge be ordered by the city council to witness the trial, and if guilty of a breach of trust or misconduct in connection with the question of the property of the Ottawa Corporation, that the Black will pay all the expenses of an investigation.

Lord Strathcona was in town today, and the government again in connection with the trouble which arisen between W. T. R. Preston, Mr. Griffith, secretary to the high commissioner's office.

Preference to South Africa. Negotiations are in progress view to securing a wider preferential Canadian goods in South Africa. The preference arrangement proposed, which would allow duty to be applied to articles on which duties are imposed, for the past year a Chinese paid the poll tax of \$500 two cases transportation company had to pay the value of the goods, and the Chinese were being held in bond to escape from their duty. Sixty-four Chinese entered last year, either as merchants or as laborers.

A Thief Electrocuted. Montreal, Jan. 8.—Nobert Lamoignon, a carpenter, was found lying dead on the floor of a room in a hotel. He had been electrocuted in a room in a hotel. He had been electrocuted in a room in a hotel.

Killed by Electric Car. Toronto, Jan. 8.—A man, Inspector of New York, was struck killed by an electric car Saturday was 63 years of age. He was struck by an electric car Saturday.

London, Jan. 8.—Western Company, liquidators for Elgin company, have issued a statement showing the value of the assets to be \$370,000. Of this, \$100,000 has been realized and paid to the creditors. The total value of the assets is \$370,000.

Winnipeg. Winnipeg, Jan. 8.—Hon. W. H. Ross, minister of public works, this evening. He states that the legislature of the province of Ontario will be convened on January 10th. The fire caught in a mysterious way from a box store although promptly discovered and extinguished.

Homesteaders Droop Dead. Saskatoon, Sask., Jan. 8.—Jones, an aged homesteader, died from Kansas dropped dead in the snow. He was 80 years of age.

Union Plumbers Strike. Calgary, Jan. 8.—Union plumbers on strike here today to their schedule of 45 cents per hour. Campaign of instruction was started here today under the auspices of the Dominion government's railways. Lecturers with the exception of the entire Northwest were present.

Mountain Lumbermen Meeting. Nelson, Jan. 8.—The Mountain Lumbermen's Association held its annual meeting here today, with the local and representative attendance over the interior. The delegates from Vancouver were also present.

Men's Shoes. Today the day for Patent Leathers and Vic Kid Shoes. 300 pairs of bright new \$5.00 shoes. Today \$2.50 pair.

Women's Slippers. The Croquet Shoes at \$3.00. Every pair in stock, January Sale Price \$2.50. 50 pairs of the Heavy City Boots go on sale today, \$2.50 pair.

Women's Slippers. \$2.00 value at \$1.00 pair (100 pairs only).

Fatal Row at Dance. Brandon, Ont., Jan. 8.—Alec Brantford, who was shot on the Eve at Fairfield Plains by Joe