

SAID PASHA TOO CUTE.

He Cannot be Enticed From His Haven by the Most Tempting Inducements.

The Sultan Palpably Intended to Murder His Only Honest Subject.

Rumor That France and Russia Had Withdrawn is Without Foundation.

Constantinople, Dec. 6.—The most novel feature of the political situation here to-day is the step taken by Said Pasha, president of the council of state, and formerly Grand Vizier, in seeking refuge, accompanied by his son, a lad of about twelve years of age, in the British embassy. This event, however, was not unexpected. Investigation shows that the Sultan yesterday sent a special messenger to Said Pasha, who has considerable influence with the ambassadors, gained during his terms as Grand Vizier and minister for foreign affairs, cordially inviting him to occupy a chalet within the grounds of Yildiz park, a pretty building which was formerly occupied by Midhat Pasha, at one time governor-general of Syria. But being fully aware of the significance of this invitation, Said Pasha declined. This is said to have made Abdul Hamid take steps to arrest his former Grand Vizier, who is suspected by the palace police of intriguing to depose the present Sultan in favor of ex-Sultan Murad, now a prisoner in Yildiz Kiosk, who was declared by the council of ministers in 1876 king of the Ottoman empire, which led to his deposition. Abdul Hamid, it seems, believes that Said Pasha has been trying to influence the council to declare him, the Sultan, suffering from weakness of mind. This so enraged Abdul Hamid that he determined to get Said Pasha out of the way. It may not have been his plan to arrest him, but rather to tempt him to accept a plot to seize the King of Corea, by which he would at least have remained there a close prisoner for a long time to come, and some morning news of his "escape" would possibly have been circulated.

In addition to suspecting Said Pasha of desiring his deposition, the Sultan has been led to believe that the former Grand Vizier has not been in earnest in his efforts to induce the Powers to withdraw their demands for an extradition. The advisers of Abdul Hamid were not slow to intimate that the president of the council was a dangerous enemy who should be promptly deprived of the power of doing further harm. The embassy was founded on this idea, but Said Pasha was too important a person to be dragged from his residence by the police or soldiers. Somebody hit upon the idea of tempting Said Pasha once more within the gates of Yildiz Kiosk by the offer of the Vizeierate. Said Pasha was too well versed in the traditions of Yildiz Kiosk, in particular, and eastern diplomacy in general, to be caught with such bait. He sent a polite refusal when formally offered the Vizeierate again, and this led to the less than usual offer of accommodation in the famous Midhat Pasha chalet in Yildiz Park. As previously stated, the Sultan also refused this tempting offer unless the present conditions of the government were changed, and when he heard that the Sultan, moved to desperation by the intimations that palace courtiers had been obtained upon his arrest, he lost no time in placing himself under the protection of Sir Philip Currie. Then it became known that during the progress of the negotiations Said Pasha upon one occasion was detained at the palace so long that his friends, who had been apprehending something of the kind for weeks, were so fearful of his arrest that they went to the British embassy for advice.

When the Sultan was informed of the course taken by Said Pasha he was greatly incensed, and made several futile attempts to induce the fugitive to return to his home. He sent Tewfik Pasha and other ministers of the British embassy, where they had a long interview with Said Pasha, and held out all kinds of promises to him on the Sultan's behalf. But all their efforts to persuade Said Pasha to leave the embassy were of no avail. Said Pasha firmly refusing to trust himself outside his asylum. Later in the day Tewfik Pasha visited Sir Philip Currie and begged him to do his utmost to induce Said Pasha to return to his home, making use of how very familiar argument that the Sultan was the president of the council of state, and that the Sultan's presence in the population of Constantinople, and it might cause trouble of a most serious nature. But all the arguments of the Turkish minister for foreign affairs were thrown away upon Sir Philip, who, after listening quietly to all he had to say on the subject, politely told him he could not interfere in the matter. He added that Said Pasha had asked for an asylum and his request had been granted. There the matter ended so far as the British ambassador was concerned. Tewfik Pasha then returned

to the palace and reported to the Sultan his non-success. Naturally this increased the anger of Abdul Hamid, who sent his own private secretary to interview the fugitive president. The secretary spent two hours with Said Pasha, doing his utmost to persuade him to return to his residence, but it was evident that no amount of argument would change his mind, and the Sultan's secretary went away as unsuccessful as Tewfik had been.

The ambassadors then met at the residence of the French ambassador, M. Cambon, to consider the situation. The usual rumors are afloat in regard to the probability of the concert of the Powers being broken, and it is even intimated that the Sultan is now likely to come out ahead once more, in his struggle with the Powers on the guard-ship question, as there is a possibility of Russia and France withdrawing their demands. This rumor does not attract the attention it would have done had it not been for the fact that the same report has been started by palace officials a number of times during the last two weeks.

This evening the situation in the interior is still disquieting, in spite of the assurances of the Turkish government. United States Ambassador Terrell has not received a reply from the American minister in Constantinople who he wired after hearing of the outbreak. This has served to increase the anxiety felt by the United States minister and among the American missionaries here. Mr. Terrell has addressed two notes to the Porte, one demanding the dismissal, arrest and punishment of the officer commanding the Turkish troops at Marash for failing to furnish a guard for the protection of the American mission buildings there, and also demanding the punishment of the soldiers who joined the rioters in pillaging.

London, Dec. 6.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Rome, published this afternoon, says much excitement has been caused there by the statement, freely made in diplomatic circles, that Russia and France had withdrawn from the concert of Powers regarding the Turkish question, and that efforts are now being made to hold a European conference, probably at Vienna.

Paris, Dec. 6.—It is semi-officially denied that there is any truth in the story telegraphed to the Pall Mall Gazette from Rome saying that Russia and France had withdrawn from the concert of the Powers.

BRIEF CABLE NEWS

Plot to Seize the King of Corea.—Sula Dwyne, British Consul, Victoria B.C.

Lecky the Historian an M.P.—China Supplicates Russia—Anarchist's Act.

London, Dec. 6.—A special dispatch from Shanghai states that the situation in Corea is once more causing anxiety, and says it is reported that the American missionary is implicated in a plot with Li Hau Shia to seize the person of the King of Corea.

The distinguished journalist, George Augustus Sala, is dying at Brighton. His death is now but a matter of hours.

Emile Arton, the Frenchman arrested and arraigned in Bow street police court recently upon an extradition warrant charging him with complicity with Eugene Rebnach in the Panama canal frauds, was to-day arraigned again for a final hearing. Arton's lawyers asked permission to produce a witness who would prove that former ministers of France had made overtures to Arton offering him money to surrender certain papers. The testimony was not admitted and the magistrate ordered Arton to be extradited. He was allowed two weeks in which to appeal.

Southampton, Dec. 6.—As a result of the petition against the election of Mr. Chamberlain, Conservative, and Sir John Simon, Liberal-Unionist, to represent Southampton, alleging extensive bribery of voters through his agents, Mr. T. Chamberlain has been unseated.

London, Dec. 6.—At the meeting of the London bondholders of the Nicaragua railway the meeting accepted the scheme of settlement of the debt arranged between the committee of bondholders and the Nicaraguan government.

London, Dec. 6.—During the continuance of the gale in the English channel the packet service between Dover and Ostend has been suspended.

Dublin, Dec. 6.—Mr. Wm. E. H. Lecky, the historian, has been elected to the parliamentary seat for Dublin University to fill the vacancy caused by the elevation of the Rt. Hon. David B. Plunkett to the peerage. The result of the polling was: Mr. Lecky, Liberal-Unionist, 1758; Mr. Wright, Conservative, 1008. This shows a gain for the Liberal-Unionist.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 6.—A special dispatch from St. Petersburg published here to-day, says it is reported that the Chinese government has asked the government of Russia if, in the event of being requested to do so, it would send an army corps to suppress rebellion in Dzungaria. The rebels are reported to have captured Lanchu Fu, 2000 men, 30 guns and a large quantity of stores and ammunition.

Paris, Dec. 6.—A sensation was caused in the chamber of deputies to-day, by the conclusion of the budget by the minister of justice a stranger in the gallery fired a revolver. Thereupon the electric bells, which were placed all over the building after the bomb outrage perpetrated by Valliani, were rung throughout the house and the doors were instantly closed. The stranger was subsequently arrested. No body was hurt.

London, Dec. 6.—A serious conflagration, which started in the town of Mariestad yesterday, is still raging. The town has been almost wiped out of existence. Three-fourths of the inhabitants are homeless.

HINGSTON'S DUAL HOPE.

The Government Has a Reward Ready for Him if He is Sacrificed.

Lively Times at Nomination Proceedings for North Ontario Yesterday.

Mrs. Beer, the Christian Scientist Found Not Guilty—Kicked to Death.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—In anticipation of Sir William Hingston's defeat in Montreal Centre, it is said in official circles that he is to be appointed to the senate in place of Senator Murphy.

Mr. Laurier told your correspondent yesterday at Vankleek Hill that the Liberals would carry the riding.

Beaverton, Ont., Dec. 5.—Nominations for North Ontario took place here yesterday. Dr. Gillespie, Liberal; Major McGilivray, Conservative; and Farmer Brandon, Patron of Industry, were duly nominated.

After the nomination a public meeting was held at which speeches were made by each candidate. The most exciting incident of the day was a quarrel between Candidate McGilivray, and J. Lockie Wilson, one of the Patron leaders. Mr. Wilson said he had bought in Montreal, Australian mutton, brought over on a steamship subsidized by the Dominion government. This was the view in which the government sided the farmers. Mr. McGilivray indignantly denied this, and a warm dispute followed. Wilson calling on God to witness that he had bought and eaten this mutton.

The speech of the day was delivered by Dr. Colter, C.P., on behalf of candidate Gillespie, who challenged Mr. McGilivray to state his position on the Manitoba schools. The challenge was not accepted.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—George Haiker Marston, a farmer, has died, as it is supposed, from that fatal kick received from Reuben Deneen. The doctor will examine the body and an inquest will be held.

Judge Falconbridge yesterday took from the jury the charge of manslaughter preferred against Mrs. Beer, Christian Scientist, under whose treatment Percy Beck died of diphtheria. He said that no case existed. A verdict of not guilty was rendered and the prisoner was discharged.

William Proudly was thrown from a buggy at the township of Pittsburg, Frontenac county, and killed to-day.

DURRANT'S MOTION DENIED.

He Will Be Sentenced in About Ten Days, But Will Appeal.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—Judge Murphy this morning denied Theodore Durrant's motion for a new trial and ordered the prisoner back to the county jail. In ten days he will be taken to San Quentin prison, there to await sentence. Durrant will appeal to the supreme court.

SHE ROBBED HER LOVER.

An Oregon Man Who Advertised for a Wife Wishes He Hadn't.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—Miss Chita Jackson, the young woman whose story regarding what she saw and heard in the St. Nicholas drug store less than half an hour before the body of Eugene Ware, the murdered clerk, was found by Policeman O'Dea on Dec. 14, 1894, is in serious trouble. She is to be called upon to answer to a charge of grand larceny.

During the preliminary formalities consequent to the accusation she has been an occupant of one of the cells at the city prison. The man who accuses Miss Jackson of robbing him bears the name of Samuel Jackson. He lives near Klamath Falls, Oregon, and came here in search of a wife. He embodied his want in an advertisement which he inserted in a daily paper. Under the name of Emma Cleverly Miss Jackson answered the advertisement and was selected by Jackson from the applicants as the one whom he wished to marry.

While making arrangements for the wedding Emma is said to have picked Jackson's pockets and he had her arrested.

GAVE HIS SEAT TO A WOMAN. And Complications Ensued Which Led to His Being Fatally Stabbed.

had the man removed to the county hospital. In his ante-mortem statement Macklin said that he had stood up to give his seat to a woman and that the sudden starting of the car threw him against Jenkins, who became enraged and a quarrel ensued which ended as above stated.

Macklin's home is in Portsmouth, O. He has been in Chicago but a short time. Jenkins was arrested.

HAWAIIAN CABLE PROJECT. A New Measure to Be Introduced Favoring the Undertaking.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—A special to a local paper says: Senator Hale's project, which had its origin at the last session, for the establishment of a cable line between this country and Hawaii, under governmental control, is to be pushed forward again this winter, and it is believed with a chance of success. The original proposition passed the senate in the consular and diplomatic bill, but was left out in the house on account of the President's animosity, a sentiment that developed, it was alleged, out of criticism passed upon the executive in connection with the Hawaiian situation. Senator Hale has prepared a new bill which he will introduce at an early date. It is learned that the Hawaiian government, desirous of the establishment of this cable connection, has guaranteed a subsidy of \$40,000 a year. This makes the prospect of enacting the new measure more favorable than ever. It is the determination of the friends of the movement that this government shall absolutely control the project, but owing to the subsidy granted by the islands the scope of the bill will be modified in such a way as to provide for a subsidized line not built by the government, but at the disposition of the United States at both ends.

THE OLD FIRE REKINDLED. An Aged Pair, Divorced Years Ago, Are Reunited Now.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Dec. 6.—John Cowling, aged 73, and Martha Cowling, aged 74, were married last night by Rev. Mr. Hutchison. The couple were divorced several years ago, and Cowling married again. His second wife died four months ago. He and his second wife met last night at a dance, and the aged couple were re-married.

MRS. JAMESON HOME

She Has Returned to Live With Her Father Near Port Angeles, Wash.

She Endured Some Terrible Hardships—It Was Not All Romance Quite.

Port Townsend, Dec. 6.—Mrs. Lockie H. Jameson, who whom Arthur Turner two years ago eloped from Victoria, after being abandoned in Mexico and losing her newly born child by death and suffering innumerable hardships, has returned to reside for her home in Port Angeles. They crossed the straits in a small open boat, which nearly swamped, to Whatcom, where they departed to San Francisco, closely followed by the infuriated husband. After dodging around the country for a month or two, narrowly avoiding an encounter with the woman's husband, they went to the City of Mexico. Turner went to work at manual labor, and in a few months he tired of his romantic adventures and went to London, where he secured employment in a bank, leaving the unfortunate Jameson for home.

Mrs. Jameson had secured a divorce and the custody of three children, and her father, Henry Nelson, a farmer living near Port Angeles, sent for the woman. She refused to be interviewed except to mention the hardships experienced. An attempt will be made to effect a reconciliation.

BRIGHT MINING OUTLOOK. Two More Big Ore Carrying Steamers Being Built.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 6.—Contracts were signed to-day for two modern steel steamers, to be built by the Globe Iron Works, of this city. They will be 443 feet long, and similar to the one now being built by the Globe Iron Works company. Work will be commenced on the new steamers at once, which, with the one now being built, will be the largest ore carriers on the great lakes. All of the boats will be finished early next summer. Their approximate cost will be \$750,000.

MR. CHARLTON'S ESCAPE. He Has a Close Call from Death Through a Porter's Carelessness.

Tonawanda, N. Y., Dec. 6.—Mr. J. Charlton, M. P., of Toronto, and one of the lumber firm of J. & T. Charlton of Tonawanda, had a narrow escape from death on the New York Central road at noon to-day. He had just alighted at the depot from a train, when the porter of a sleeper on another train ran into him in attempting to board his car. Charlton was thrown to the ground, and the wheels of the second train, but escaped with an injury to his hip.

Women with pale, colorless faces, who feel weak and discouraged will receive both mental and bodily vigor by using Carter's Iron Pills, which are made for the blood, nerves and complexion.

THE CUBAN CAMPAIGN.

A Manifesto Just Issued by the Head of the Republican Government.

Who is Well Pleased With the Progress of the Revolution So Far.

The Insurgents Are Making Better Headway than Official Reports State.

New York, Dec. 7.—A special to the World from Havana says: The Spanish column under General Suarez Valdez met Antonio Maceo at La Reforma on December 2. La Reforma is a cattle estate in Puerto Principe province, about twenty miles from the eastern border of Santa Clara province. Maceo had united forces with Gomez on December 1. With him were the officers of the newly formed republic. The total insurgent force is estimated at 4,000, including 250 cavalry. General Valdez had the Valladolid and Cuba battalions, about seventy cavalrymen and a section of light artillery. Gomez adopted his usual tactics. He threw over the skirmish line and the fighting continued some time, General Valdez advancing until he occupied the camp used by the rebels the previous night. General Valdez followed the retreating rebels, and was joined between Jicotea and Rio Grande by a column 3,000 strong under General Alcaz, who continued the pursuit.

General Valdez in his dispatch to General Campos extols the conduct of Lieutenants Churchill and Bartes, of the British army, who were with him.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of November 18th of Captain Roscoe Rooner, who was in command of the famous Bush Zouaves, has been solved. He is now in Cuba, at the head of a band of two hundred Americans, fighting for Cuban independence, and with him is Sergeant Frank Hilligan, also a member of the Zouaves. When Rooner left St. Louis, ostensibly to visit the Atlanta exposition, it was whispered among his friends that his destination was much more remote than the metropolis of Georgia. It was known that about the same time certain leaders in the Cuban cause, with whom Captain Rooner had been in consultation, left the city.

Havana, Dec. 7.—A correspondent in Puerto Principe confirms the report of an engagement near La Reforma, which was cabled to the Associated Press on Wednesday, and which General Suarez Valdez diverted the advance of Antonio Maceo on Santa Clara. The insurgents were repulsed, their loss in killed, wounded and prisoners being reported at three hundred. The insurgent leader, Camilo Ruse, has been brought to Morro castle and sentenced to imprisonment for life.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—A dispatch from Copenhagen states that the prime minister of Denmark has repeated the orders of the government to Danish ship owners, ship masters and sailors, forbidding them to convey men or munitions of war to Cuba in Danish vessels, and threatening any violations of the order with prosecution.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—A special dispatch to the Imparcial from Santa Clara, Cuba, confirms the reports that the rebel leaders, Maceo, Gomez, Roloff and Saratin Sanchez, have united their forces, and are now leading an army whose strength is variously estimated to be from forty thousand to eighty thousand men. The intention of the rebels is to make a strong and concerted effort to invade the district of Matanzas, put a stop to agricultural work, destroy crops and inflict other damages. The correspondent asserts that the collapse of the combined insurgent army is imminent, owing to the difficulties in the way of their retreat.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—Official advice from Havana confirm the report that the Spanish troops under Generals Valdez and Naxarro have defeated the rebels under Gomez and Maceo, and that the rebels sustained serious losses and fled toward rebel headquarters. La Matilla plantation, province of Puerto Principe, Cuba, says: "Salvadoro Cisneros Batencourt, the Cuban executive, better known as the Marquis of Santa Lucia, who is here with his entire cabinet, has issued a statement. He says: "Ours is a republican form of government, based on broad democratic principles, and especially suited to the Cuban people.

"Our government was first organized by the election of four deputies from each of the five army corps, who gave the matter sound and careful attention, and decided upon all the details of the first form of organization. Upon this occasion General Gomez exhibited his true patriotism and democratic ideas, giving over, as he did, all the extraordinary powers with which he had been invested upon his first landing in the country. This single patriot act won for Gomez the unbounded respect and admiration of his fellow citizens. "The officers of the present government were chosen by the assembly

which first met for that purpose, and for the adoption of a constitution, and it is this government that has appointed as diplomatic agent our delegate plenipotentiary, Thomas Estrada Palma, who is now in the United States. He has, in turn, appointed our sub-delegates to other countries.

"Our government will last and the victory will be with us in the end. There is no chance for failure. We have the people of Cuba with us, and our treasury is by no means empty, for the large number of property owners of the island are paying taxes to us. Many Spaniards, wishing our respect and protection, are included in the list.

"I am well pleased with the progress of the revolution. When I first took up arms against the government of the Spanish regime tried to ridicule me by saying that an army of thirteen headless youths would not injure the authorities much, but one month later a Spanish stronghold, the village of Alta Garcia, was captured and laid low. The garrison of one hundred men at Elmiret was overpowered, a government contingent of one hundred men was routed at La Larga, and the Spanish garrison at San Meronimo was overturned.

"We were more powerful at the beginning of this war than we were at any period during that of 1898, while the enemy is all at sea concerning our movements and inside methods.

"Gen. Campos may have the idea he can whip us, or perhaps he will attempt to deceive the Cubans, as he did in 1878, but in each he will be wonderfully mistaken.

"Complete independence of Cuba is what we are struggling for, and on no other basis will terms of peace be arranged. If Spain would agree to withdraw her troops from the island and accept a money settlement, the amount would be paid by free Cuba, and then all would be well. Otherwise the war will continue to rage with all its attendant horrors.

"I expect that belligerent rights will be recognized by the United States and followed by every American republic. Ours is the cause of freedom, of justice and of right, and I hope at no distant day to see our flag floating in triumph over our beloved island."

MORE WAR RUBBISH

American Jingoists Will Have War With Great Britain, if Only on Paper.

There Must, According to Them, be a Fight Over the Venezuelan Boundary.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—A special to the Times-Herald from its Washington, D. C., correspondent, says: War between the United States and Great Britain is threatened. It can be averted only by surrender on the part of England. The contention over the Monroe doctrine has reached a stage which will produce the gravest anxiety on both sides of the Atlantic until the facts become known. If the American congress will support the president, and if this there can be no doubt Great Britain will soon be given the choice of surrendering or fighting. Upon authority which cannot be questioned, reads the dispatch, it is known that the government has received a cablegram from Ambassador Bayard giving briefly the contents of the note which the Marquis of Salisbury has mailed in reply to Secretary Olney's dispatch of last July. This reply is in substance a refusal to arbitrate any of the territory eastward of the Schomburgk line. Moreover, Lord Salisbury raises a new case. He now contends that the Schomburgk line was not arbitrarily run, that it was in fact located upon authentic data, and that it can be proved by the records, the treaty descriptions and the maps that it correctly represents the western limits of the territory which Great Britain acquired by cession from Holland.

Receipt of this information caused some excitement in the Washington government. Secretary Olney at once proceeded to confer with the president about it. They agreed in their opinion concerning it. This opinion was that the British premier was trifling with the merits of the question; that he was attempting to evade and delay a direct response to the principal issue then involved, and to bring on a controversy between the two governments as to historical records and topographical facts. Such controversy, the president and secretary agreed, if once entered upon might run an indefinite length.

The programme which the president and secretary now have in mind is first to ascertain the wishes of Venezuela in the premises. If Venezuela is willing to arbitrate on the Schomburgk line, then the mission of the United States is for the time being at an end. Venezuela has repeatedly refused to do this, and it is not expected she will give in now. Once being assured of Venezuela's unwillingness to submit to England's pretension, the president will submit the whole matter to congress as an early day for such action as that body sees fit to take. The correspondence will be accompanied by a message from the president explaining the situation, but probably containing no recommendations. Congress, as the only war-making power, will be left to its own determination, uninfluenced save by facts. When this moment arrives the executive will have exhausted its resources. The future course of the contention will rest with the national legislature. It is expected, however, that congress will at once authorize the president to issue an ultimatum that will cause England to back down or fight.

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A DODGE INDEED.

No dodge is too disreputable for adoption by the friends of the Bowell government in their present desperate condition. A good indication of the state of distraction to which they have been reduced is afforded by their repetition of the very stale falsehood that Mr. Laurier used the expression: "Thank God there are no Orangemen among the Liberals." Mr. Laurier has denied that he said this, and the papers which misreported him have admitted that their reports were wrong in this particular.

kindred plagues the residents of a city should constitute themselves a co-operative society, each member having the same concern for the public safety as for his own. The health regulations would in that view become a set of articles of agreement by which all must abide. If this view had been taken by all the people in Victoria there would have been fewer cases of scarlet fever in the city within the past few months, and the children's health would have been less exposed to danger. The health regulations and the health department provide the means for keeping down infection, and it is to be regretted that any inconsiderate selfishness should hinder their operation.

SMALL DEBTS COURT.

There is much to be said in favor of Mr. Marchant's contention that steps should be taken to preserve the existence of the small debts court, now threatened by the decision of the Hon. Justice Crease. One step, of course, is an appeal from that decision, and it has been generally assumed that an appeal will be taken, wherefore the comparative indifference of the public to the situation that has been created. This indifference is not a true indication of public opinion in regard to the court, which has been very generally recognized as providing necessary means for the collection of small debts.

GOVERNMENT TRICKERY.

At the Antigonish Conservative convention Mr. Chisholm, who was nominated to again oppose Mr. McIsaac, said the government was pledged to remedial legislation and could be relied upon to pass it. Ministers Tupper and Dickey were on the platform and endorsed this declaration. But in North Ontario the Conservative candidate pleads ignorance of what the government will do, and refuses to say what position he will take. His course is approved by members of the government. There never was a more shameful exhibition of cowardice and evasion than this in the part of any government or set of politicians.

FALLEN ON EVIL DAYS.

According to a late report the government has at last plucked up courage enough to think of a date for the West Huron election. This riding was the first of the lot to become vacant, but it is to be about the last to have its election; in fact the date spoken of, January 9, is a week later than that fixed for the opening of parliament. Of course everybody understands the reason for leaving West Huron to the last; there is a pretty sure prospect of the government candidate being defeated there, while in all the other districts the government majorities in 1891 were large. It is a patent fact, nevertheless, that the government is not sure of retaining any one of the six vacant seats. Even Montreal Centre, which in 1891 gave a Conservative majority of over 1200, is regarded as doubtful, and notwithstanding all the professions of confidence, the government and its friends are in reality dubious in regard to the whole lot. This is surely the worst commentary that could be written on any combination of politicians. Time was when a Conservative government could count on carrying any district at a bye-election, unless it was hopelessly Liberal in its composition. Things have changed, and now the Bowell ministry cannot feel sure of a place which formerly was overwhelmingly Conservative.

EPIDEMICS.

Nobody wants to see an epidemic of infectious disease in the city, and yet there is difficulty in inducing some people to submit to the measures which seem necessary to avoid epidemics. In dealing with smallpox, scarlet fever, and

says that in 1840 the investment of £1,908,000,000 in farm lands in Britain produced £218,000,000, giving employment to 8,400,000 hands, an average of £5 per hand. In 1870, with an increased capital of £2,287,000,000, the products were £251,000,000, and the number of hands employed 2,500,000, and the average product per hand only £97. Agriculture in Great Britain has, of course, suffered from the pressure of foreign competition, especially American, yet under all circumstances it has held its own remarkably well.

A Toronto dispatch says: Vice-President Dr. Wilson put in his resignation at last night's meeting of the Young Conservatives, on account of the declaration by President C. C. Robinson in a recent address that no resolution criticizing the policy of the Ottawa government would be entertained. He did not believe, he said, in a policy which refused to allow criticism within the ranks of the party. A resolution was moved that the resignation be not accepted, and a debate followed, several speakers sympathizing with Wilson. President Robinson finally announced he would himself resign unless Wilson's resignation was accepted, and the matter closed by this being done.

The Vernon News points out this possible consequence of the proposal to raise the property qualification of mayors and aldermen: "In many of the smaller cities of the province, such a qualification would practically shut out the great majority of the ratepayers from becoming candidates for civic office, no matter how much their mental endowment and business ability might fit them for the position." The objection is an entirely valid one. There are so many objections, though, to Ald. Williams' proposal that it has not the remotest chance of adoption, and it is hardly worth discussing.

During the past year official analysts of the Dominion have analyzed 926 samples of foods, drugs and fertilizers. Of the number 680 were genuine, 161 adulterated, and the remainder, 85, doubtful or unclassified. The most noticeable adulterations are in respect of butter, which consists of excess of water or salt, sometimes of both, indicative of carelessness rather than fraud. It is gratifying to observe that infant foods and meat extracts are generally genuine, wholesome and nutritious.

The Globe: The separate school agitation precipitated by the vacillating policy of the Ottawa ministry is a thing to be deplored by Canadians of all creeds, but it will at least have the good effect of exposing the gigantic humbug that some of the self-appointed champions of Protestantism have been practising on their admirers.

It is rather amusing to find Dr. Montague, "the Halldimund windbag," attacking Mr. Laurier's record. Perhaps the worthy political medicine thins this is an offset to the scathing criticism of himself lately offered by that vigorous Conservative, Edmund E. Sheppard.

Hamilton Spectator (Conservative): It does not seem to strike our friends of the government that they are the people who are endangering the National Policy for the sake of a few French halfbreeds up in Manitoba. There are two ways of looking at some things.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

Table listing market prices for various goods including flour, sugar, and other commodities. Columns include item names and prices per unit.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Early this morning fire was discovered in Jas. Kirk & Co.'s soap factory, when nearly 200 men were compelled to flee to save their lives. Many reached the ground by way of the fire-escape. The loss is between \$60,000 and \$75,000.

WAS A GREAT GAME

Vancouver Defeated Victoria at Rugby Football on Saturday Afternoon.

Corbett Comes Out of His Shell—The Franklin Road Race Disputat.

The annual Rugby football match between Victoria and Vancouver was played at Caledonia park on Saturday afternoon in good football weather, the ground being perhaps a trifle soft. A splendid game was witnessed by those fortunate enough to be present, and although the result was not satisfactory to the home team, winners and losers alike were deserving of credit. Turning to the personnel of the visiting team, old footballers were pleased to see and welcome C. H. Woodward back again in his place on the Vancouver team, and from the game he played it is evident he has not deteriorated by his absence from the last few games played here between the teams of the rival cities.

Vancouver kicked off from the upper end of the field at 3.15 p.m., and Schofield returned, but did not find touch, as did Woodward the next moment, and the game settled down in neutral territory. The Vancouver back division soon gave evidence of being above the average, and the spectators were treated to some very pretty combination. The Vancouver forwards, headed by Purvis, rushed the ball into the home 25, where Sargue tackled Ernest Martin before he could pass. The Victoria forwards were now settling down to work, and tackling well and smartly. Goodwin was checked by the combination of the opposing backs. At length Frank Miller essayed a drop at goal, but did not touch straight, and a touchdown only resulted. Soon after the kick-out Chance was called upon to save, which he did with a very neat kick into touch. Wollaston now became prominent, but the advantage gained was neutralized by F. Miller with a good run, spoiled at length by a forward pass.

The game at this point was of a second description, neither side gaining any material advantage, until some splendid passing by Templar (who, by the way, wanted a lot of watching) was only stopped in the nick of time by Smith. The home forwards, among whom the Crease brothers and Langley were working like Trojans, came right away with the ball at their feet, but, hard, afforded Woodward a chance of saving, which he did capably and transferred the game to the home 25, where Chance was again called upon to save with another good kick into touch.

The game was here transferred to the Vancouver 25 by a free kick allowed the home team by Sargue. Smith and Miller were spoiled by Woodward, who was very safe. The ball was now rushed to the Victoria 25, and after Sargue had got in a "corkscrew" kick into touch, Gamble saved another kick by visiting forwards right on the goal line.

The home forwards gradually worked the ball back to the 25 yard mark, where F. Miller got possession, and, dodging Petticrew, was brought down by Chance, fell across the line and scored the first point for Vancouver after a fine conversion. This success marked a turning point in the game, and the home forwards seemed to stimulate the visiting team by great exertions, and their forwards, headed by Purvis, R. Woodward and Bonit, were very quick, the first named tackling Petticrew beautifully before he could get in his kick. The visiting backs now gave an exhibition of very good combination, in which Templar, E. Martin, F. Miller and C. H. Woodward all participated, the last named being pulled up by Schofield.

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The Vancouver full back was tackled by the ball, but cleverly managed to pass it to Woodward (ever ready for an emergency), who, as usual, found touch with a long kick. Miller tackled Warren in the nick of time spoiled what promised to be a dangerous piece of passing among the Vancouver backs. Sargue intercepted a pass from Templar very neatly, and running up to the opposing full back essayed to punt over his head and gain possession again, but kicked too far, and Woodward saved what looked like being a certain score for Victoria. However, "Barney" returned to the attack and gained a lot of ground with a long punt up to the touch line, and at half time the ball was close to the Vancouver 25 line.

Miller re-started the game for Victoria, and after an exchange of kicks Petticrew was pushed into touch near the Victoria 25 line. The game was quickly transferred to the home 25, where Chance again saved splendidly with a good kick into touch, and immediately after a very ominous combined dribble of the visiting forwards, amongst whom Purvis and Woodward were prominent, was well saved by Miller, who with Chance was playing a sound defence for Victoria. Warren was now unfortunately temporarily laid out in an encounter with Austin, who was making a good run, and some of the spectators wondered invaluable assistance in supplying forced draught was instrumental in relieving the Vancouver line, worked down to the Vancouver 25, where W. Miller was tackled with the ball inside the visitors' 25. The partisans of the home team now hoped to see the score equalized, but it was not to be, and had passing was instrumental in relieving the Vancouver line. A free kick was awarded to Vancouver, where Warren, who had now resumed his place on the field, kicked into touch close to the home goal line. The Victoria forwards hurriedly rushed the ball out of danger for the moment, but immediately afterwards Woodward made a capital attempt to drop a goal from the 25 yard mark. Victoria touched down.

A FARMER'S WEALTH

Does Not Simply Consist of Broad Acres and Ready Cash.

Health Is His Fortune.

PAIN'S CELERY COMPOUND RESTORES IT WHEN LOST.

Broad acres and a good bank account do not constitute a farmer's true wealth. There are hundreds of farmers around who possess wealth in lands and gold, but who lack that true fortune and coveted possession known as good health. True manhood, vigorous health and strong nerves are Heaven's best gifts for all classes and conditions of men. It is a melancholy fact that men and women in the country, breathing the purest air, drinking from God's bubbling fountains and springs, uncontaminated by the germs of disease, are liable to the same dread diseases that come thick and fast to city people.

Nature's grand laws are continually violated everywhere, and, as a consequence, the penalties come swift and sure. These penalties consist of diseases varying in form and character. We find debility, nervousness, rheumatism, neuralgia, kidney and liver troubles, heart disease, dyspepsia, indigestion, and a variety of terrible blood diseases.

When the arrows of affliction pierce with venomous sting, the farmer and his family must seek the same healing agent that city people use with such success. Paine's Celery Compound is to-day the farmer's great health restorer and true life-giver. Its record in the rural districts of our Dominion is as bright and

Soon after the kick-out Ernest Martin intercepted a pass and ran a long way down the field and passed to Templar, who was promptly thrown into touch. Sargue brought timely relief with a good kick. A series of kicks now took place between Woodward, of Vancouver, and Miller, the home captain, the latter eventually getting some twenty yards, and Schofield directly after made a capital run, but was brought up, or rather held down by Woodward, as the way

The home team were now playing better than at any previous period of the game, and a good rush by the home forwards culminated in Smith getting right away, and on being thrown into touch passed out like a flash to Sargue, who was backing up, the latter literally forced his way over the visitors' line amid cheering. Vancouver raised an objection for the moment, as the referee had sounded his whistle. This he did on Smith being thrown into touch, but inasmuch as the latter threw the ball out at once, even as the whistle sounded, he promptly disallowed the objection. This perhaps was the smartest thing done by Smith throughout the game, and was fully appreciated by the spectators. Sargue tried to convert, but his kick, though straight, fell short.

The home forwards, headed by Sargue and Miller, now played like demons, and worked the ball right down to the Vancouver line, where Gamble got across right under the posts, but the ball was ordered back, and Purvis received it with a long kick. A few minutes only remained for play, and the Victoria backs, as if wishing to show that they did understand combination, indulged in as fine a piece of passing as was seen throughout the afternoon. It was too much for the individual participants in this last and splendid effort of the home team, but it appeared as if the whole back division took part, and the ball must have changed hands more than six times before being eventually dead close to the Vancouver line, leaving Vancouver the winners of a capitally contested game by one goal to a try.

The result of the game was undoubtedly due to the combination of the visiting backs, of whom it is hard to single out any members for individual praise, may be excused for awarding a special tribute to C. H. Woodward, who played grandly, running and tackling like a machine, and withal as safe as the proverbial church. Of the forwards Purvis, Woodward and Bonit were conspicuous, but all played well. Of the home team it was undoubtedly due to Sargue and Miller that the visiting combination was held in check as it was, and the latter was as safe as usual at centre. Sargue was badly handled by the first few minutes by the home forwards. Of Chance too little cannot be said for the way he accomplished everything he was called upon to do. He did not have much to do in the second half, but it is enough to say, perhaps, that he did everything that could be expected of a good full back. The forwards worked well and played a good game to a man, but perhaps the pick of a good lot were Langley, Wollaston and the Crease brothers. The forwards have, however, a fault which should be overcome—that of kicking too high. In this game they time and time again gained a lot of ground, but lost it all by kicking right into the hands of one of the opposing backs.

The thanks of the Vancouver team as well as of the home team are due to Hon. V. A. Stanley, who acted as referee in a perfect manner. It was not a

troustrous as it is in the thickly populated towns and cities. To so high an eminence has its credit and worth been advanced that the majority of country and city families now regularly keep one or more bottles for any emergency that may arise. Paine's Celery Compound has done more life-saving work than all other medicines combined. It has given life after the doctor failed; it has given health and vigor after years of failures with common medicines. Mr. Samuel Handman, an esteemed and well known farmer of Manvers, Ont., gives his wonderful experience with Paine's Celery Compound as follows:

"After severe sickness and suffering for a length of time, I am happy to state that I was made well by Paine's Celery Compound. To be raised up from a low and weak state inside of two weeks is a marvelous work, which nothing else but Paine's Celery Compound could have accomplished. "After using half the first bottle of the Compound I was able to dig holes for a forty rod fence, and help to build it. Before using Paine's Celery Compound I could not sleep and had no appetite; now I enjoy a good sleep and a healthful appetite. Paine's Celery Compound is worth its weight in gold to any sufferer; it is the best medicine in the world."

hard game to umpire, inasmuch as it was an essentially friendly game, but at the same time it was a match in which a deviation from strict impartiality would have perhaps altered the result.

THE WHEEL.

MR. FRANKLIN'S CASE.

It would seem, from all the facts that the referee in the recent road race at Stanley's park, were somewhat on the side of prudence in barring Mr. Franklin from competing. The referee barred Mr. Franklin from the race because he claimed that, although the C. W. A. had no control over road racing, they had over their individual members, and therefore Mr. Franklin could not compete in the race, for by his competing with Class A men he would make all the members of the C. W. A. members of Class B too.

Mr. Franklin accordingly wrote the secretary of the C. W. A. his expression of opinion, and that opinion has already been published in part. The full letter, however, which follows, places a different light on the question and shows clearly that the referee would have been in perfect order in admitting Mr. Franklin. The letter reads as follows:

Stimoe, Ont., Nov. 18, 1895. H. J. Franklin, Esq., B. C. Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of the 9th inst. I might say that I am not the proper person to apply for an official ruling on such a matter. I have no jurisdiction over racing matters, but almost any member of the C. W. A. in this part of the Dominion would be able to tell you as well as I an undictated C. W. A. exercises no jurisdiction to object if Class A and Class B men compete together in road races, so long as they observe the amateur rules. We would take no more cognizance of a road bicycle race than we do of a skate race. The referee was certainly in the right in excluding this part of the country road races in the C. W. A. in this part of the Dominion. R. Q. T. road race run in Toronto, nearly every prominent racing man of both classes took part. Yours, H. B. DONLY.

ZIM WANTED TOO MUCH.

New York, Dec. 9.—The Melbourne correspondent of the American Wheelman called that paper to-day that the great Australian wheel race, the blue ribbon event of the year, was won by Chrisp, of Tasmania, the dark horse rider. This is the race that Zimman was imported to ride in, but at the last moment he was scratched. It is given as the reason that his demands were exorbitant and the committee refused to concede to them. His entry had been made and accepted for this event, but he wanted a bonus besides, which was refused. This move, it is said, has made the American very unpopular among the Australians.

CHES.

The handicap tournament, held by the Victoria Chess Club opened on Saturday evening. The entries are as follows: Class I.—B. Williams, C. Schwengers; class II.—P. T. Johnston, B. Schwengers; class III.—R. H. Johnston, Captain Mitchell; class IV.—H. Gossard, T. Lawrie, W. Scowcroft, J. Barnard, C. E. Clarke, P. Goppel; class V.—J. Arton, class VI.—P. Wollaston, J. S. Floyd, H. Kemp. The results of the games played are as follows: C. E. Clarke won from P. T. Johnston; B. Williams won from P. T. Johnston; B. Schwengers won from P. Wollaston; and C. Schwengers won from P. Wollaston. The tournament will continue during this week.

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SOMEWHAT PREMATURE

American Politicians Talk War Before the British Reply Has Been Received.

When the Documents are Opened Some Very Wise Men May Seem Foolish.

Meantime All the Phases of an Improbable Campaign are Discussed

Washington, Dec. 7.—The feeling is very pronounced here as to what course the United States government should take in the Venezuelan matter.

It is believed that the first step in the matter will be to endorse the position taken by the state department, direct the President to still insist upon a proper settlement of the dispute and announce firmly that this country will not consent to English occupancy of the disputed territory beyond the point where she can clearly establish her right.

As much as it is to be expected that the tariff in any manner necessary. The belief of the best informed is that there will be no necessity to go any further.

England dreads unfavorable tariff legislation. A tariff induced by hostility to England growing out of England's encroachment in this hemisphere, which had aroused the resentment of the American people, would send two million Englishmen to bed without their supper.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The reply of Lord Salisbury to Secretary Olney's note of instructions to Ambassador Bayard relative to the Venezuela boundary dispute was delivered to Secretary Olney at noon.

ARRIVAL OF HERR AHLWARDT. The Notorious Jew Baiter to Preach an Anti-Hebrew Crusade in America.

New York, Dec. 8.—Hermann Ahlwardt of Berlin, the celebrated anti-Semitic agitator, arrived to-day on the steamer Sprye. He was met by several friends and taken to the Hotel Meyer, in Hoboken.

It is said Dr. Ahlwardt's mission is to start a campaign against the Hebrews, his doctrine being that they are encroaching on the wealth of the world and are a menace to the prosperity of other races.

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ley have been much alarmed over his actions of late. To-day, armed with a 38-calibre revolver, he went looking for Councilman Norton at the city hall.

HOPE FOR INGERSOLL YET. The Democrats Win in a Special Election at Louisville.

Louisville, Dec. 9.—The Democrats won out to-day in the special election in the 48th legislative district, sending A. J. Carroll to the legislature by a majority of 408 over Charles A. Blades, the Republican nominee.

The election was a hotly contested one. Carroll had refused his certificate after the November election because of the secret withdrawal of Shrieve, the Republican candidate.

THE VENEZUELA BOUNDARY. The Government Strengthening the Defences on the Line.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—A Caracas special says that after the council this morning it was decided to positively refuse to accede to any further demands of England and prepare for the defence of national territory against further incursions.

The defences have been ordered increased and troops centred on the frontier. Leaders of the opposition to Crespo are tending their services in case of war, which is now unavoidable.

It is rumored that troops on the frontier will recuperate the national territory now occupied by the English. It is semi-officially stated that already four nations have promised to aid Venezuela in the war.

A DIPLOMAT'S IDEA

Of the Settlement of the Turkish Question—A Redivision of Territory.

Also Thinks Mr. Cleveland's Course Towards Cuba is Fully Consistent.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 7.—In an interview with an Associated Press reporter today, Andrew D. White, ex-minister to Russia, gave his opinion on the Turkish-Armenian question.

There is a wide-spread demand in Armenia, arising from the reports of the Armenian outrages, that the Sultan will refer the whole matter to Congress at an early date for such action as that body may see fit to take.

Unless prevented, the Sultan would certainly escape into Asia Minor, raise the standard of Mahomet and call the faithful to a war of extermination.

This is my plan for the solution of the question: Let the Powers depose the Sultan and place on the throne some able man connected with the royal family of Russia.

Let Russia, for instance, have full swing in Armenia; give Syria to France; let England's title to Egypt be confirmed; Austria should be allowed Salonica for a Mediterranean seaport, and Italy might in return be given Trieste on the Adriatic by Austria.

Regarding the Cuban revolution the distinguished diplomatist said: "I can remember too clearly the days of our own civil war, when the United States protested vigorously against any recognition of the Southern confederacy.

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COMMENT ON CLEVELAND.

Politicians of All Shades Condemn President Cleveland for Going Gunning

On the Eve of What Threatens to be a Great National Crisis.

Movement in Venezuela for Boundary Defence—Subscriptions to Buy Guns.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—As the President is absent on a hunting trip, there is no probability that the reply of Lord Salisbury to Secretary Olney's note regarding the Venezuelan boundary dispute, in which Congress is so deeply interested, will be sent to the house this week.

Upon authority which cannot be questioned, it is learned that the contents of the note mailed by the Marquis de Salisbury to Secretary Olney is in substance a refusal to arbitrate any of the territory eastward of the Schomburg line.

Moreover, Lord Salisbury raises a new case. He now contends that the Schomburg line was not an authentic data that it can be proved by records, treaty descriptions and maps that it correctly represented the western limits of the territory when Great Britain acquired it by cession from Holland.

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London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Shanghai says news has been received here which confirms the report that the Russian secret instigators of the conspiracy of Li Hui Shing against the King of Corea, Russians who assisted in the affair have identified some of the Americans who participated in the plot.

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country. The domestic affairs of the institution will be under the control of a council in Paris. The chairman of this council is to be the American minister or his wife, and to it any breach of discipline will be reported.

The secretary of state for the state of Falcun, Manuel Cardita, writes from Coro as follows: "I take satisfaction in giving assurances of approval of the laudable and patriotic aims of this movement."

BIG FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO. Wholesale District Does Damage to the Amount of About \$300,000.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—Fire broke out in the men's furnishing goods store of Hoffman & Alexander Saturday evening and in an hour damage to the extent of \$300,000 had been inflicted.

Next to the burnt structure was the immense establishment of Levi Strauss & Co., but energetic work by the fire department prevented the spread of the flames. The building was occupied by a number of wholesale and manufacturing firms and the losses were as follows:

Hoffman & Alexander, \$200,000; insurance \$150,000; Friedman & Rogers, boots and shoes, \$40,000; insurance \$21,000; San Francisco and New York Cigar company, \$35,000; insurance \$30,000; National Saddlery company, \$15,000; insurance unknown.

THE BUILDING, WHICH WAS OWNED BY THE Clarke estate, is a total loss. It was valued at \$300,000, they insured. The origin of the fire is unknown.

EIGHT HOURS A DAY To Be Taken Up by the Great Convention of Federated Labor.

New York, Dec. 9.—The fifteenth annual convention of the American Federation of labor opened to-day and will continue for perhaps ten days. The sessions will be held in the assembly hall of the Madison street garden.

During the last year the membership of the order has increased about 100,000, by the accession of several national trade organizations and the 130 delegates will represent about 800,000 members.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—A special from Washington, D. C., says: The announcement has been made that the carrying of mails from Juneau, Alaska, to Forty-Mile Creek, on the Yukon river, has not disturbed officials in the postoffice department.

THE FREIGHT WAR CONTINUES. Southern Pacific Again Makes Alterations in Rates.

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CAMPAIGN IN CUBA

Another Victory for the Insurgents. Not Reported in Official Dispatches.

Lieut. Churchill Tires of War—He Greatly Admires Spanish Soldier.

Havana, Dec. 6.—The reports that have been current for several days...

The mutinous and baggage belonging to the forces of Maceo have been carried to the forces of the Manganiello coast...

Key West, Fla., Dec. 6.—According to advices which reach here from Havana...

Havana, Dec. 6.—The steamer Leon Trece has arrived at Guanata Namo with the battalions of Principe de Toledo...

Captain General Campos has arrived here and reports a good impression of the condition of affairs in Santa Clara.

New York, Dec. 6.—The World has the following dispatch from Havana, dated Dec. 5th:

Lieutenant Churchill, son of the late Lord Randolph Churchill, arrived here tonight from the field. He says: When I joined General Suarez Valdez...

I was much impressed by the patience, courage and, I may add, indifference shown by the Spanish infantry. The men laughed and sang under fire.

SPENCER'S ARCADE. An Addition to This Popular Establishment Completed by Ald. Bragg.

The addition to Spencer's Arcade, mentioned in the columns of the Times some weeks ago has just been completed by Ald. Bragg.

HIS STORY OF CRIME

Stone Gives Details of the Many Murders Committed With His Partner.

The Police in the Places Mentioned Take Little Stock in the Yarn.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 6.—John C. Stone, formerly a member of the Dalton gang...

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair. Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago.

NEW U. S. BATTLE SHIPS. The Navy Department is Considering Them Very Carefully.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The work of passing upon the various plans for battle ships submitted to the navy department...

Buff was a Canadian. He Threw Himself Over the Falls a Few Days Ago.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 7.—A letter received in this city, from the United States naval home, Philadelphia, establishes beyond a doubt the identity of the unfortunate man who threw himself from the Goat Island bridge...

HER ONLY POSSESSION. A Girl's Good Name Attacked, She Had Nothing Else to Live For.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 7.—From the latest information received from Canada, it is believed that the young woman who boarded a house, and whose body was found in the water...

CAMPAIGN FUNDS STOPPED. Three Quarters of a Million Dollars Not Accounted For.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Three-quarters of a million dollars have been stolen from the campaign funds of the Democratic party raised for the years 1893, 1894 and the spring of 1895.

ROYAL Baking Powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

THE TEXAS IN TROUBLE

Her Steering Gear Goes Out of Order This Time.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Another mishap has befallen the battleship Texas, which recently met with trouble through the buckling of her frames while in the dry dock at the Brooklyn navy yard.

Revival of Trade Will be Crippled if the United States Returns to a Protective Tariff.

London, Dec. 5.—The stock markets were idle to-day, but with a fairly steady tone except for a moment, which closed at the worst.

London, Dec. 5.—Speculation on the home market opened active and weak with fractional declines generally.

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It works out that way On Every Proposition. It's as Easy As Falling off a Log.

To make a Pudding with our Cleaned Currants. Our Mixed Nuts, 3 lbs. for 35 cents.

Our Sugar, 21 lbs. for \$1.00. Those Eastern Oysters at 75 cents. Bottle Port, 40c. Bottle Sherry, 40c.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO. THE OCCIDENTAL HOTEL, COR. WHARF AND JOHNSON STS., VICTORIA, B. C.

This popular and well known Hotel will re-open about November 15th under the management of W. JENSEN, its founder, with everything new and bright.

It will be conducted as in former years, aiming to make it homelike for its guests.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER'S TRIP. He Disclaims Any Political Significance Whatever In His Visit.

London, Dec. 7.—Sir Charles Tupper sailed from Liverpool to-day by the steamer Campania, and should arrive at New York before next Saturday.

Major C. T. Picton is manager of the State hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section.

Great Britain has manifested a disposition to assume one-third of the subsidy required to secure a twenty knot service between England and Canada.

Rome, Dec. 7.—Cardinal Ignazio Perillo, prefect of the congregation of indulgences and sacredness, is dead.

Paris, Dec. 7.—Gilbert Lenoir, the man who fired a revolver yesterday in the chamber of deputies, is supposed to be insane.

Their gentle action and good effect on the system really make them a perfect little pill. They please those who use them.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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FRISCO IS IN FAVOR

Her Fight for Coveted Republican Convention Alarming Eastern Competitors.

She Already Holds Nearly a Majority of the Necessary Votes.

New York, Dec. 6.—A local paper says: General James S. Clarkson, the National Republican committee man from Iowa, returned from Washington last night and was at a breakfast at the National Hotel. A collection of the Republican National committee on hand, and the meeting of the Republican committee in Washington, D. C., on December 10th, and the possible results as to the selection of a time and place were discussed. It turns out that San Francisco is to make a very sturdy fight for the convention, which will be held about June 10th. The Golden Gate city has already from fifteen to twenty-two votes of fifty-two members of the committee, and it was said last night that California could hold these votes and eventually, even if it lost the convention will be held. San Francisco gave way in 1882, and by the votes of California and the western states, elected Chicago and Cincinnati and gave the convention to Minneapolis, California has since that time, and has a similar power today, and this will be demonstrated, it was said, in the meeting of the national committee. Only four cities are putting up a fight for the convention, namely: Pittsburg, Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco. The Golden Gate city is determined to have the balance of power in determining the result. General Clarkson said last night that there was no mistake about this. He added that the scene was shifting every day and that nobody could tell the result. San Francisco all along has had a good show for the convention, but except for a few friends among the delegates there are only twelve telegraph wires over the mountains, and that the newspapers east of the Mississippi would be greatly embarrassed in receiving reports of the convention. At Minneapolis in 1892 there were twenty wires, and it is not known how many there are now. It is not known how many there are now. It is not known how many there are now.

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ITALY WILL ARBITRATE. Her Claims Against Brazil to Be Submitted to the United States.

New York, Dec. 6.—The Herald's correspondent in Rio de Janeiro sends word that the Italian minister to Brazil and the minister of foreign affairs of the republic have signed a draft of a treaty submitting the claims of Italy against Brazil to arbitration by the President of the United States. The treaty will probably be sanctioned by the governments of both countries. The Italian claims against Brazil arise from alleged outrages upon Italian subjects during the late revolution. The Herald's correspondent also telegraphs that the government has decided adversely in regard to the views presented by France as the basis of arbitration in the dispute over the territory of Amazonia. GROVER HAS GONE A GUNNING. Washington, Dec. 6.—The President left to-night on the high-speed tender Maple to recuperate from the strain he has been under in the preparation of his message to congress, on a hunting trip through the North Carolina sounds. Likely if the weather is fair the President will not return to Washington before the 12th or 14th of the month.

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BRITISH SAILORS LANDED At Constantinople To Protect the British Embassy.

London, Dec. 7.—The Chronicle publishes a dispatch from Constantinople which says that sailors from the guardships Cockatrice and Imogene have been landed to protect the British embassy. As an emergency medicine, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral takes the lead of all other remedies. For the relief and cure of cough, whooping cough, sore throat, and the dangerous pulmonary troubles to which the young are so liable, it is invaluable, being prompt to act, sure to cure.

MILK VENDORS' BY-LAW. Consideration of It Deferred Until Next Tuesday Evening.

The city council met last night to consider the by-law to license milkmen and regulate the sale of milk. The by-law was taken up clause by clause. Ald. Macmillan thought that as Ald. Williams had consented to do away with the license fee, the word license should be struck out and the word register substituted. Ald. Humphrey was of opinion that the license should pay a small license fee as well as expressmen and others. Ald. Cameron was opposed to trade licenses on principle. Ald. Wilson considered that as milkmen used the streets as much as any other dealers they should pay some fee. Ald. Macmillan moved to strike out the word license and substitute the word register. The motion was seconded by Ald. Cameron and defeated, the mover, seconder and Ald. Bragg voting for it. After having passed the first clause, Ald. Hall moved in amendment that the by-law before the council be considered to-morrow.

DURRANT IS DOOMED

Judge Murphy, After Twice Reviewing the Evidence, Agrees With the Verdict.

Durrant Defiantly Listens to His Sentence Without Twitching a Muscle.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Judge Murphy, as telegraphed yesterday, denied Theodore Durrant's motion for a new trial and ordered the prisoner back to the county jail. A large force of deputy sheriffs was necessary to aid the police in guarding the entrance to the court room. The crowd was as large as during the trial. Judge Murphy briefly overruled the motion for a new trial. He said he had twice reviewed all the testimony in the case and every ruling he had made during the trial. He had examined all the affidavits submitted and all the authorities cited. He said if he thought any injustice had been done the prisoner or any error had been made which affected his rights he would not hesitate to grant a new trial, whatever the consequences or whatever the criticism might be, but the court was satisfied that no error had been made and that Durrant's trial had been fair and impartial, that no right accorded to him had been invaded and that the jury's verdict had been in accordance with law and evidence. Durrant was then ordered to stand up. The prisoner rose, pale and seething, but impassive as ever. The judge then pronounced sentence, which was that Durrant be kept in close confinement by the sheriff in the county jail and within ten days be delivered to the warden of San Quentin state prison, there to be kept in close confinement until such day to be afterwards fixed, when he should be hanged at San Quentin until dead. Durrant heard his sentence without twitching a muscle, standing at the judge defiantly. Then he sat down, made some remark to his father, who smiled. Dickinson, for the defendant, took formal exception to the remarks of the court on the merits of the case and said he would this afternoon give formal notice of appeal to the supreme court. The court room was then cleared.

MARRIAGES MADE ON EARTH More Easily Broken Than Those Made on a Storey Higher.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 7.—Ex-Mayor Frank A. Magowan has started for Oklahoma to obtain a divorce. He will go direct to El Reno and obtain the requisite residence to enable him to bring an action in the territory. If successful he says he will return to marry Mrs. A. Barnes, whose husband is now suing her for a divorce, with ex-Mayor Magowan as co-respondent. Mr. Barnes also brought action lately against Mr. Magowan for damages for alienating his wife's affections. Mrs. Barnes is an exceptionally beautiful woman, whose maiden name was Edith Riddell. Her father, Dr. Riddell, was a well known resident of Parkdale, now incorporated in Toronto, Ont., and J. A. Barnes also was a former resident of Toronto, where he was engaged in the manufacture of rubbers, in the employ of the Kelly Rubber company, where he met and married Miss Riddell, who was then a telegraph operator. Soon afterwards he became manager for Mr. Magowan's Trenton rubber factory, and it was thus that Mr. Magowan became acquainted with and enamored of his former wife. The intimacy soon reached the ears of Mr. Barnes, with the result of the two suits mentioned. The late determination on the part of Mr. Magowan to enter the courts for relief indicates that Mrs. Barnes will interpose no defence to the suit brought by her present husband, and that she has tacitly agreed to wed the ex-mayor if both divorces are granted. Mrs. Barnes is at present in New York city with her sister and brother-in-law.

THE WARSHPES OF THE LEVANT. England Never Before Had Such a Big Fleet in Eastern Waters.

Warships of the great European powers are gathering significantly in Turkey's neighborhood. Britain's fleet, now cruising near the Levant, waiting for the return to Constantinople of the British ambassador, is by far the most formidable she has had in Eastern waters since the bombardment of Alexandria, and exceeds even that fleet in fighting force and the number of men carried. It includes nine and fifteen cruisers, with a total of about 9,000 marines and sailors available for landing purposes. This fleet, at latest advices, was composed as follows:

Table with columns: SHIPS, No. Guns, No. Men, Tons. Lists various ships like Anson, Arcturion, Arcturion, etc.

France has near the Levant its Admiral Charner, Admiral Duperré, Chanzy, Magenta, Marceau, Neptune, and Retoumbable—all battleships. Besides, there are the cruisers Cosmao, Colbert, Devastation, D'Iserville, Faucon, Frome, Formidable, Léger, Linois, Suquet and Troude.

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Durrant Defiantly Listens to His Sentence Without Twitching a Muscle.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Judge Murphy, as telegraphed yesterday, denied Theodore Durrant's motion for a new trial and ordered the prisoner back to the county jail. A large force of deputy sheriffs was necessary to aid the police in guarding the entrance to the court room. The crowd was as large as during the trial. Judge Murphy briefly overruled the motion for a new trial. He said he had twice reviewed all the testimony in the case and every ruling he had made during the trial. He had examined all the affidavits submitted and all the authorities cited. He said if he thought any injustice had been done the prisoner or any error had been made which affected his rights he would not hesitate to grant a new trial, whatever the consequences or whatever the criticism might be, but the court was satisfied that no error had been made and that Durrant's trial had been fair and impartial, that no right accorded to him had been invaded and that the jury's verdict had been in accordance with law and evidence. Durrant was then ordered to stand up. The prisoner rose, pale and seething, but impassive as ever. The judge then pronounced sentence, which was that Durrant be kept in close confinement by the sheriff in the county jail and within ten days be delivered to the warden of San Quentin state prison, there to be kept in close confinement until such day to be afterwards fixed, when he should be hanged at San Quentin until dead. Durrant heard his sentence without twitching a muscle, standing at the judge defiantly. Then he sat down, made some remark to his father, who smiled. Dickinson, for the defendant, took formal exception to the remarks of the court on the merits of the case and said he would this afternoon give formal notice of appeal to the supreme court. The court room was then cleared.

MARRIAGES MADE ON EARTH More Easily Broken Than Those Made on a Storey Higher.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 7.—Ex-Mayor Frank A. Magowan has started for Oklahoma to obtain a divorce. He will go direct to El Reno and obtain the requisite residence to enable him to bring an action in the territory. If successful he says he will return to marry Mrs. A. Barnes, whose husband is now suing her for a divorce, with ex-Mayor Magowan as co-respondent. Mr. Barnes also brought action lately against Mr. Magowan for damages for alienating his wife's affections. Mrs. Barnes is an exceptionally beautiful woman, whose maiden name was Edith Riddell. Her father, Dr. Riddell, was a well known resident of Parkdale, now incorporated in Toronto, Ont., and J. A. Barnes also was a former resident of Toronto, where he was engaged in the manufacture of rubbers, in the employ of the Kelly Rubber company, where he met and married Miss Riddell, who was then a telegraph operator. Soon afterwards he became manager for Mr. Magowan's Trenton rubber factory, and it was thus that Mr. Magowan became acquainted with and enamored of his former wife. The intimacy soon reached the ears of Mr. Barnes, with the result of the two suits mentioned. The late determination on the part of Mr. Magowan to enter the courts for relief indicates that Mrs. Barnes will interpose no defence to the suit brought by her present husband, and that she has tacitly agreed to wed the ex-mayor if both divorces are granted. Mrs. Barnes is at present in New York city with her sister and brother-in-law.

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"Quite recently a very great lady had the honor of dining with his Majesty, who, by the way, is a first Turkish sovereign who has ever admitted a Christian woman to his table. After the lady had noticed a monstrosity which had been forgotten, on one of the chairs. 'Oh,' said the Sultan, 'that is an excellent trap. It was sent to me from England, and I have caught ten mice in it to-day.'"

What was the nationality of the entrapped victims?

BRITISH SAILORS LANDED At Constantinople To Protect the British Embassy.

London, Dec. 7.—The Chronicle publishes a dispatch from Constantinople which says that sailors from the guardships Cockatrice and Imogene have been landed to protect the British embassy. As an emergency medicine, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral takes the lead of all other remedies. For the relief and cure of cough, whooping cough, sore throat, and the dangerous pulmonary troubles to which the young are so liable, it is invaluable, being prompt to act, sure to cure.

MILK VENDORS' BY-LAW. Consideration of It Deferred Until Next Tuesday Evening.

The city council met last night to consider the by-law to license milkmen and regulate the sale of milk. The by-law was taken up clause by clause. Ald. Macmillan thought that as Ald. Williams had consented to do away with the license fee, the word license should be struck out and the word register substituted. Ald. Humphrey was of opinion that the license should pay a small license fee as well as expressmen and others. Ald. Cameron was opposed to trade licenses on principle. Ald. Wilson considered that as milkmen used the streets as much as any other dealers they should pay some fee. Ald. Macmillan moved to strike out the word license and substitute the word register. The motion was seconded by Ald. Cameron and defeated, the mover, seconder and Ald. Bragg voting for it. After having passed the first clause, Ald. Hall moved in amendment that the by-law before the council be considered to-morrow.

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THE GALE STILL BLOWS. The British Isles and Around There London, Dec. 7.—The exceptionally heavy weather which has prevailed during the past week over the British Isles, continues to-day. There have been numerous small wrecks reported, and considerable damage done to shipping, but the loss of life has been small. The lightship at the mouth of the river Des Moines was blown away this morning with a crew of five men. The telegraph service in the northern portion of the country has been damaged and communication interrupted. The gale was very violent over the North Sea, and it is feared that the number of wrecks will be considerably increased. A dispatch received from Antwerp says traffic in the straits of that city is stopped and that navigation of the Scheldt is impossible. The Red Star line steamer Friesland for New York, was the only steamer able to leave port. Several ships were ashore on the Dutch coast and the German bark Libertus from Yokohama, was wrecked near Nieuwveep, only two of the crew were saved. The bodies of four members of her crew have been washed ashore.

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BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Friday's Daily.

An excellent evening was given last evening in St. John's school room. The programme as published last evening was faithfully carried out.

Regulations and form of application for the open competitive examination for the civil service of India to be held in 1896 can be seen at the office of the provincial secretary.

Hardly a seat was vacant in the Victoria theatre last evening when that popular comedy, "Charley's Aunt" was presented. The company is a good one, the leading parts being well taken.

Neils Christanson, a Victoria seal hunter, was married at Moncton, N.B., last month to Miss Bessie Williams, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Christanson left immediately for Victoria, where they will reside in future.

Majestic council, Royal Arcanum, elected the following officers last evening: Regent, W. J. Hanna; Vice-Regent, J. A. Ritchie; Orator, W. J. Dowler; Past Regent, J. Sears; Secretary, J. Holland; Collector, B. Rowan; Treasurer, W. H. Jones; Chaplain, G. J. Bagshaw; Guide, J. W. Bolder; Warden, J. A. Dow; Sentinel, R. W. Ward.

Notice of incorporation of the Fraser River Fish Curing Company, Ltd., is given in the B. C. Gazette. The trustees are Michael Costello, Charles Tetley and Adolphus Williams, of Vancouver. The capital stock is \$100,000, and the principal place of business is Vancouver. The objects of the company are a general fish packing and curing business and the making of fish oils and manure.

Pride of the Island lodge, Sons of England, elected officers on Tuesday evening as follows: President, A. Lee; Vice-president, F. Tubbs; Secretary, H. Gravin; Treasurer, W. Norman; Chaplain, A. A. Laing; Auditors, H. Jackson and A. Howell; Inside guard, C. Allen; Outside guard, H. Hancock; Committee men, C. Printer, W. Arkwright, T. C. Meads, A. Howell, F., Dykes and R. W. Shaw.

Notice of incorporation of the B. C. Pottery Company (Limited Liability), is published in the current issue of the British Columbia Gazette. The trustees are James Dunsmyr, Charles A. Vernon and Joseph Hunter of Victoria. The capital stock is \$150,000 and the principal place of business 22 1/2 Pandora street, Victoria. The object of the company is to acquire the business now carried on under the name of the B. C. Pottery Company.

A committee was appointed by the Rathbone Sisters at their meeting last evening to arrange for the reception of Mrs. Robertson, chief organizer for the Pacific coast, who will arrive from Tacoma on Tuesday next. A Rathbone temple will be organized on Tuesday afternoon at Castle Hall, and the same evening Mrs. Robertson will give an address at the Dominion Hotel. A social and dance in honor of her visit will be given on Wednesday evening in Castle Hall.

A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was organized by the young people of the First Congregational church last evening. Officers were elected for the next six months as follows: Hon. President, Rev. J. Bushell; President, T. C. Moody; Vice-President, Miss N. Scofield; Recording Secretary, R. Wilson; Treasurer, Miss P. A. Graham; and Corresponding Secretary, Miss E. Arthur. The appointment of a committee was left over until the next meeting on Sunday evening at six o'clock.

The legislative assembly of British Columbia will meet for the dispatch of business on Thursday, January 23rd. There have been some changes in the personnel of the house since last session. Hon. J. H. Turner will meet the members for the first time as premier, and Hon. E. M. Eberts will be the same as Attorney-General. Mr. G. A. Huff, will take his seat for the first time, having recently been elected for Cowichan-Alberni. Mr. D. A. Stoddart will be back in his old seat, which he lost at the last general election, but regained at the by-election.

The federal grand jury at Seattle has brought in a true bill against "Cowboy" Jake Terry. It is said that Captain Lewis Holmes, the Beaver harbor salmon cannery, contemplates establishing a cannery on the Pacific coast. Jake, along with Thomas Dixon, whom the jury also indicted, was captured on an island near Everett in September last while in the act of making a ten cent piece. Terry afterwards admitted his guilt, told the deputy marshals all they wanted to know, and promised to plead guilty if they would try and set him off with a light sentence. Terry is now at the county jail. The jury indicts him for having manufactured ten cent pieces on September 25, and with having passed them to a woman named Lillie Weimer.

At last the claims of John Rankin and Thomas Foran against the Oregon Improvement Company, growing out of the collision between the Willamette and Premier, have been settled. In the federal court at Seattle yesterday, S. H. Files, representing the Oregon Improvement Company, caused to be filed "satisfactory judgments" in the two cases. Judge Hanford gave Foran and Rankin damages against the company in the sum of \$3,500 each. After the case had gone to the circuit court of appeals and had been while discussed and argued before Judge Hanford on a number of occasions, Foran and Rankin consented to compromise if they were paid \$1,750 each, and at once. Judge Hanford allowed Receiver Smith to settle. A few days ago the money was paid over, and Rankin and Foran signed papers releasing the company.

Lieut. Colonel Prior, chairman; Surgeon George G. Dunn, president of the band committee; Captain Ross Morrison; Captain Jameson; Lieut. Hibben and Lieut. Flamer have been appointed by the officers of the B. C. G. A. as a committee to arrange for a series of concerts in aid of the band fund, it being necessary to raise \$1,000 for instruments, etc. The first concert is to be held at the Victoria theatre, the

use of which has been given free for the occasion, on the 18th inst. They will take steps to see that those requiring help are provided for during the winter months.

Antonio Almazan, the Esquimalt boatman, has purchased the three ton naphtha launch Blanche, which was brought over from Tacoma by her previous owner and captain, Jacob Johnson. The Blanche met with rough seas on her way across and had to seek shelter several times. The Blanche is a 25 foot vessel, with a four horse power engine and speed of from six to seven knots an hour.

Whiskey caused most of the trouble which was brought to light in the police court this morning. One drunk, first offence, was convicted and discharged. Jack, an Indian, who had whiskey in his possession, was fined \$25 or thirty days. Leonard Marsters, who supplied the liquor, was fined \$50, or, in default, thirty days. Marsters is a ship carpenter, who has always been looked upon as an honest, hard-working man.

Late advice from Ashcroft give particulars of a ball in that town which was brought to light in the police court this morning. It appears that on this occasion the town hall was used, the resident constable wisely choosing to attend to his duties in another part of the country rather than take chances of being locked up until the festivities were over. The drummers in town left on the first outward bound train, and taken altogether, it is claimed to have been the greatest affair in the "wild west," either in ancient or modern times.

The musical cantata Esther will be presented in Calvary Baptist church on next Wednesday by a full choir of 35 voices, including many favorites. The cantata has been in preparation for some time and a finished and successful production is promised. The cast is as follows: Queen—Mrs. Grogson, First Presbyterian (soprano); Zeresh—Miss Andrews (alto); Mordecai's Sister—Mrs. Stoddart (soprano); Maid of Honor—Miss Stoddart (soprano); King—Mr. Brown (baritone); Haman—Wm. Muir (bass); Mordecai—H. Firth (tenor); Attendant—H. A. Howell.

The funeral of Elizabeth Ormond Gray, widow of the late Hon. John Hamilton Gray, judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, took place from the residence, "Homebush," at 2:30 this afternoon, and at 3 o'clock from Christ Church Cathedral. Rev. Canon Beattie, who conducted the funeral services and Hon. Justice Crease, Walkem and Drake, Lt.-Col. Prior, W. C. Ward and E. Crow Baker acted as pall-bearers. The coffin was covered with many beautiful flowers and sent in by the friends of the deceased.

The pupils of Miss S. F. Smith, were yesterday given an examination in the theory of music. Among those present were His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Dewdney, the Mayor and Mrs. Teague, Archdeacon Scriven and Mrs. Scriven and Canon and Mrs. Paddon. Canon Paddon explained the Kransie system of teaching, and Young Jackson of Victoria and Pat Rooney of H. M. S. Royal Arthur. Captain Olive Phillips-Wolley, who acted as referee, decided in favor of Rooney.

Officers were elected as follows at the last meeting of Triumph lodge, No. 4, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W. P. C. of H. Mrs. William Allen; C. of H. Mrs. V. E. Cox; L. of H. Mrs. Laura E. Carter, son of City Tax Collector, E. C. Smith; Financial, Miss S. Meyer; Receiver, H. McDonald; Usher, Mrs. Meyer; I. W. Miss Hood, and O. W. Captain Wm. Cox. The lodge will give a grand ball on Friday evening, Dec. 14th in aid of the B. C. Benevolent Society.

Samuel B. Hoppink, of Seattle, whose wife in her application for divorce made application also for temporary alimony, in order to pay the costs of the action, has filed in the superior court an affidavit stating his financial condition and showing his inability to pay such a sum of temporary alimony as was petitioned for. In view of the statements made in the affidavit, Judge Parker, in whose court the case is, granted Mrs. Hoppink only \$30 temporary alimony.

The 25th annual banquet of the B. C. Pioneer Society will be held in the Occidental Hotel on Thursday evening next. Pioneer Jensen is making extensive preparations for the affair, and a large gathering is expected.

The commencement exercises of the Cooper Medical college of San Francisco were held in that city last week. Two young men, well known in Victoria, W. H. Powell, son of W. Powell, manager of the San Francisco branch of the Bank of British Columbia, and H. Carter, son of City Tax Collector Carter, of this city, graduated. They will both practise in California.

Alexander McKinnon, who undertook to disturb a Salvation Army meeting by loud talking in the barracks, and assaulted the caretaker, who ejected him, was fined \$10 and costs in the police court this morning. Had he been charged with disturbing the meeting he would have been more severely dealt with, the law being very strict in such matters.

Professors Whittington and Odium, of the Columbia Methodist college, New Westminster, are in the city endeavoring to secure assistance to wipe out the debt in connection with the college. Professor Whittington preached yesterday morning at the James Bay Methodist church and in the evening at the Centennial hall at the Metropolitan in the morning and at the Metropolitan in the evening. Professor Odium will deliver popular lectures during the week in the different Methodist churches of the city. He will be at the Centennial in the evening, Tuesday at the Metropolitan, Wednesday at James Bay and Thursday at Victoria West.

Protection, N. Y., Dec. 7.—A horrible deed overtook Percy Hawkes, a well-known farmer, of the village, on the W. N. Y. & P. tracks this morning. While falling himself by slipping his hurrying across the track he hit the head on the ties. The wheels of the engine decapitated him as cleanly as the guillotine and sent the head rolling down the track in advance of the locomotive.

charge, at the hall, between two and three p.m.

Mr. James Harrison, of Carey road, Lake district, died yesterday morning at St. Joseph's hospital. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from Hanna's undertaking parlors, Douglas street.

Some time ago a 16 bore shotgun was stolen from a boat on Gorge road, where Mr. Bechtel stores his sealing implements. The gun has been located in a store, having been sold. It is believed that the man who sold it bought it from some boys.

Captain Thomas Devereaux, of the Tacoma police, is dead. Captain Devereaux was one of the best known members of the Tacoma police force. He served as captain under Chief Chesney and Chief Davis, and was desk sergeant under Chief Smith for a month ago, when he resigned his position.

A meeting of the executive of the local Council of Women was held in the committee room at the city hall this afternoon. Mrs. A. H. Scaife presented a report dealing with the dissemination of impure literature among the youth of the province. At four o'clock the meeting was considering nominations for lady school trustees.

Charles F. Law has arrived in this city to visit the horse show, and is a guest at the Occidental. Mr. Law, who was commissioner for British Columbia at the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, is a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute, London, of which the Prince of Wales is president. At present he represents an English mining syndicate in British Columbia—San Francisco Call.

Margaret Morris, the woman smuggler, who was arrested at Port Townsend a few weeks ago, was indicted on Saturday by the United States grand jury for smuggling nine and one-half pounds of opium into the United States from British Columbia. Previous to Liverpool Morris made frequent trips to Seattle on the Sound boats. She was always accompanied by her 13 year old daughter.

A largely attended meeting held at Colquhoun hall to discuss postal arrangements the following resolution was passed unanimously: "That the people of Lake district, assembled at Colquhoun hall, are firmly of the opinion that a daily mail service to and from Garmham's postoffice is absolutely necessary, and that application should be made for the same to the honorable the postmaster-general of Canada without delay, and that a petition be at once circulated for signatures."

The assault-at-arms for the benefit of Prof. Robertson was largely attended. The programme was an interesting and varied one and included songs by Messrs. T. Dooley and J. Pilling. The most interesting event for those present was the six-round contest for a purse between Young Jackson of Victoria and Pat Rooney of H. M. S. Royal Arthur. Captain Olive Phillips-Wolley, who acted as referee, decided in favor of Rooney.

The steamer Staffa is discharging a cargo of Fraser river hay at Spratt's wharf.

The steamer City of Puebla arrived yesterday from San Francisco with a number of passengers and 71 tons of freight for Victoria merchants.

The British bark Lord Brassey left Hong Kong for Tacoma about 125 days ago. She has not arrived yet. Ships arriving at San Francisco and other coast towns from the Orient invariably report experiencing gales on the passage across.

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THE WAR IN ECUADOR.

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Three steamers which left Victoria yesterday will endeavor to find the N. P. R. steamship Strathnevis, which is floating around the Pacific with her propeller shaft broken. The collier Costa Rica, which arrived from Comox yesterday with coal for San Francisco, received orders to spend two days in looking for the disabled steamer. The Tacoma, of the N. P. R. line, which left at 6:30 last evening for the Orient, will keep on her regular course, it being believed that if possible Captain Pattie, of the Strathnevis, will keep in the course of the regular steamers in the hope of being picked up by them. On the other hand, Captain John Irving, of the Empress of China, believes the steamer has been taken up towards Queen Charlotte Island by the current, and he has gone there with the Danube. Most marine men believe Captain Irving's theory is right, and they expect to see the Danube come back with the big freighter. The Danube has on board a large amount of coal, having recently loaded a cargo at Comox, so that she will have lots of fuel to tow the Strathnevis to port.

Admiral Stephenson was on Saturday asked to send one of H. M. ships out to find the steamer, but he did not have one available, and did not think it advisable to send the flagship, the position of the Strathnevis being so uncertain.

Both Victoria and Puget Sound tugs will keep close watch off Cape Flattery and the west coast of the Island in the hope of sharing the salvage with some vessel that, having the Strathnevis in tow, finds the job too difficult a one.

Steamship Transit, of the Puget Sound and Central American steamship line, was reported to have passed Tacoma, bound in yesterday, for Seattle, which would make her about on time. She will be given quick dispatch and will start on a second voyage within a few days.

The steamer Staffa is discharging a cargo of Fraser river hay at Spratt's wharf.

The steamer City of Puebla arrived yesterday from San Francisco with a number of passengers and 71 tons of freight for Victoria merchants.

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MOTION TO COMMIT.

Alleged That Landsberg Fraudulently Disposed of his Property.

A motion was made before Hon. Mr. Justice Crease on Saturday by Mr. Belyea, acting for the plaintiff in the case of Gault Bros. v. Landsberg, to commit the defendant to jail. Landsberg is a roving character, but not being represented by counsel, the hearing was adjourned until next Saturday. The motion asks that Landsberg be committed to jail for twelve months for fraudulently disposing of his property with intent to defraud his creditors. After assigning Landsberg, who was proprietor of the Victoria Loan office, offered a compromise of 40 cents on the dollar. This was refused by the eastern creditors, and they have instituted proceedings to set aside the marriage settlement to Mrs. Landsberg and also a bill of sale from Landsberg to his wife as fraudulent. At a meeting of the creditors this morning Mr. G. Leiser was requested to continue to act as trustee.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Complaint Regarding the Sewage From the Hospital.

An important meeting of the municipal board of health was held this morning. Superintendent Hussey, who acts as health officer for the district, addressed the board, complaining of the sewage from Jubilee hospital running down the main on Cadboro Bay road. The matter was referred to the sewerage committee of the city council.

Mr. Alexander Henry having declined to agree to Mr. Furnival as an appraiser of the damage done at his residence, the board decided to inform Mr. Henry that he had the privilege of appointing an appraiser to act with the nominees of the city, and he could also be present.

The trustees of the Metropolitan Methodist church wrote protesting against the order of the health officer to empty the Sunday school, as it would destroy the rescuing, damage the cushions on the seats and interfere with the meetings held there during the week. The communication was referred to the health officer to report.

FLOWMEN'S CONTEST.

The Saanich plowing match will be held on Saturday next in a field belonging to Messrs. R. McClure and Red North Saanich. The committee offer the following prizes:

For professionals, \$25, \$20 and \$15. For amateurs, Nicholles & Renouf plow, \$15 and \$10.

For boys, E. G. Prior & Co., plow \$7.50 and \$5.

The entrance fees are \$5, \$3 and \$2 for professionals, amateurs and boys, respectively.

For best opening a buggy whip is offered by F. Norris. M. Miller gives a class for the runner-up in the boys class.

FULL COURT.

Cases Dealt With by the Judges at Today's Sitting.

The regular sitting of the Full Court commenced this morning with all the Judges present. The first business disposed of was two applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council.

Re Yorkshire Guarantee Company: The Full Court decided that the mortgage tax is constitutional as being a direct and not an indirect tax. From this part of the judgment the Guarantee Company appeals. The court also decided at the same time that the company was entitled to exemption from taxation upon their mortgages as personal property to the extent of the debentures issued by the company in England.

Its mortgages, and from this part of the judgment the province appeals. Hon. E. P. Davis, Q. C., for the Company, and Hon. D. M. Eberts, Q. C., for the Province.

Bainbridge vs. E. & N. Railway Company (precious metals case): Application was made by the defendants to admit their appeal to the Privy Council, security having been given by them. Appeal admitted. Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q. C., for appellants, and Hon. D. M. Eberts, Q. C., and Herbert Robertson, for respondents.

The first case argued before the Full Court was Royal Canadian Packing Co. vs. George Williscroft (now continued against his executors, Charles Kent and R. H. Hall). The plaintiffs received judgment against the defendant in the trial court. The last Mr. Justice Drake made a trustee order absolute against George Williscroft, now deceased, and the same was not intended to Oisen, and not being able to obtain legal advice, failed to appear and allowed judgment to be signed against him by default. Mr. Belyea, for the plaintiffs, raised preliminary objection that the appeal should have been made to the trial court, but the objection was overruled and the arguments went on. Hon. C. E. Pooley for the appellants.

Oh, it's sweet to be an author, and to see one's name in print. Or to be a roaring orator, using language as freely as a windmill. There's a subtle joy in knowing that you are the cause of talk. But glory lasts but a day. Ghost Won't Walk!

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KAMLOOPS.

The directors of the Kamloops Agricultural Society held a meeting on Saturday, at which E. Bostock presided, and settled accounts for the recent exhibition. All prizes to those not officers were paid in full, while the directors received 20 per cent. of their prize money.

An English party are taking a bond on three properties on Gold Hill, 11,000 feet above sea level. They will do more work during the coming three months. Before the fall in silver considerable work was done on these properties, which carry silver, lead and gold in a vein of from six to ten feet.

A case of premeditated suicide occurred near the Kamloops on November 28th. The deceased, who gave the name of T. D. Adams, came to Genie's saw mill about a month ago. He was given employment and sent into the bush. He was quiet in demeanor and worked steadily. The only peculiarity about him that was noticed was that he was very nervous at the latest news.

On Thursday morning work was done on the house of another workman and borrowed a rifle, saying that he had seen a bear or deer near the railway track. It was given him, and also a piece of string, which he had asked for, and he set off to look for them on the hill. He had gone about a mile and a half, rested the rifle on the stump of a tree, and lashed it to a sapling, then fastened the string to the trigger and passed it around the sapling, holding it in his hand, while he seated himself on the stump of a tree. He then pulled the trigger, the bullet entering the forehead and passing through the head about the size of the muzzle. Death must have been instantaneous. As he did not return that night a party set out on Friday to look for him. There was about four inches of snow on the ground, so that his tracks were easily followed, and soon the dead body was found. Adams had told no one of his antecedents, nor were any papers found among his belongings, except a piece of newspaper, whereon a letter had been begun, dated from Nanaimo. He had also been heard to speak of that place.

NEW DENVER.

The ledge. N. Demers is striking it rich on a claim known as the Promoter. He is driving a tunnel, and the claim is gradually widening out. The ore is high grade, and good things are anticipated.

The Exchange boys are progressing finely. Their pit streets is enlarging and value increasing. This property is showing remarkably well.

The owners of the Howard Fraction, on Lemon, known as the Kaliper Co., having prepared winter quarters and supplies, have gone to work for the winter.

The Kaliper, on Ten Mile creek, is now being worked, six men being employed. The ore body is improving in quality and quantity as depth is attained.

In seven days last week eight men had been taken out at the Recco and eight discharged. The mine is looking particularly good, and with a few more changes will be one of the best in the country.

The Currie, on the Galena Farm, is showing up very well. A drift has been run from the top of the hill, and is now crossing cutting the ledge. A fine body has been found at that depth. This is likely to become a property of great value.

The K. & S. train ran off the track about Three Forks on Friday last, but fortunately no one was seriously hurt. One man had his neck broken, and the passengers all came down to Three Forks and remained over night. The train was held on the track by a car or two of ore at the rear end, otherwise great damage might have been done, for nothing could have saved the engine and cars from running down the hill to Three Forks. It was got safely back on Saturday.

Last Friday a tree felled by D. McKenzie, who is employed cutting saw logs on the hill above Sandon, by some means fell down the hill instead of sideways, as was intended, and started down the hill at tremendous speed, rolling over the K. & S. railway track and down into Sandon, striking the building occupied by J. McDonald, fruit and tobacco store. It went through the back of it, entering where three men were seated at a table, smashing a box stove to pieces and pinioning a man's legs fast, but he was at once released, and has since been confined to bed. We have not heard as yet the exact injury received, but it is reported not serious.

The other men were unhurt. D. McKenzie was cut on the face, and one of the logs was cut loose and away up the hill rolled down and entered the end of the same building, smashing things up generally.

WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.) Wellington, Dec. 9.—On Friday last a reception was held in the Foresters' hall by Mr. and Mrs. Griffith, who were married on Monday, the 4th inst. Mrs. Griffith was Miss Magdalene Pringle.

At the first annual meeting of the Wellington district Horticultural, Agricultural and Industrial Society the following were the officers appointed: Hon. Presidents, James Dunsmuir and John Bryden; President, Rev. E. C. Cooper, M. A.; Vice-Presidents, Rev. T. H. Rogers, B. A.; Andrew Bryden, and D. W. Eberts, M. D.; Secretary, Captain H. A. Dillon; Treasurer, Thos. E. Bate.

We are much pleased to see on our streets again R. D. Ramsay, of the Enterprise, who has been on an extensive tour through the Alberni district.

On Wednesday last the Wellington lodge, I. O. G. T., paid a fraternal visit to Onward lodge, of Nanaimo.

A lodge of the Free Gardeners is about to be organized here. We should like to hear of any other place in the province having so many lodges in coming on Wednesday evening while coming down stairs. Mrs. Davis, of the Portland hotel, slipped and fell to the bottom, suffering injuries which will lay her up for some time.

Miss Powell, of Nanaimo, has been engaged by Messrs. Jones & Co. as book-keeper. Mr. Murdoch and Miss Anderson, of

Northfield, were married on Saturday last. The drug store of Mr. Grant Jessup is gradually getting into a proper condition for doing business. Our genial photographer, Mr. Uren, opened his new studio on the 4th inst. Mr. Uren has fitted up his new studio in modern style, and will in future be able to do work unexcelled by any artist.

On Wednesday next two of our most estimable ladies, Mrs. J. E. L. Jones and Miss Bertha Worth, will take leave of their many friends. The former goes to Chicago to visit relatives and will be absent six months or more. The latter will take up her residence with her sister in Manitoba. They will be much missed in church work.

Captain John Dillon has removed his law office from its old stand to one of the large stores in Foresters' hall.

VERNON.

(Vernon News.) Dr. D. J. LaFerty, of Calgary, came in on Monday, and has completed his arrangements to permanently locate in this city. He will enter into a partnership with Dr. Morrie.

The frame of the grain warehouse at Armstrong is now up, and that of the mill is well under way. Contractor Crowell is pushing the work through and will have the buildings complete at an early date.

Work is being pushed ahead on the Wanderer mineral claim, near Enderby, and Mr. H. W. Wright, one of the owners, who was in town last week, had with him a splendid specimen of quartz. From this claim, which compares favorably with any we have seen in this district.

Mr. W. H. Richards, who for the past two or three years has occupied the position of messenger in the Bank of Montreal, left on Saturday for England, where he will spend his Christmas holidays at his old home.

Mr. Scott, who for the past month or so has been buying hogs in this district, shipped on Saturday another carload to Vancouver. They were gathered up in the Mission valley and were purchased from Messrs. A. Lefevre, William Murray and Frank Conklin. Mr. Scott has arranged with several of the farmers near Enderby to purchase their hogs and expects to make further shipments from that point this week.

Mr. S. D. Ord with a gang of three men has commenced work on two mineral claims recently located by him a short distance down the lake on the commonage. He has some fine looking rock to show which carries copper, silver and gold, and will spend the winter getting these properties into shape.

Nothing daunted by the claim jumping episode of last week the owners—that is the original locators—of the Bon Diabole mineral claim are steadily prosecuting their development work on this property and this week will send off a shipment of ore to Vancouver for test treatment. They have every faith in the richness of their discovery and intend to hold on to the "bitter end."

Mr. F. M. Kerby, C. E., went down to Camp Hewitt on Monday's boat to survey the mineral claims Dandy, King Solomon and Meadow Lark. These claims are being developed by a Vernon company, including Messrs. W. J. Armstrong, W. T. Shardt and the original locators, Hewitt and Broth. They will do considerable work on them during this winter and the present indications point to extensive and paying leads being uncovered on all three claims.

Tenders were received on Monday for the sale of the debentures issued by the municipality of Spallumcheen in aid of the Armstrong flour mill. The debentures are for the sum of \$20,000, running for 50 years, and bearing 5 per cent. The result of the sale was extremely satisfactory, the prices realized being beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. Mr. G. A. Stinson, a Toronto broker, was the purchaser and paid the handsome sum of 110 for the block. The next highest bid was that of the Yorkshire Guarantee company, of \$35.20. By this fortunate sale the municipality gains, by way of premium, a clear \$2000. This looks as if Eastern capitalists fully realized the gilt-edged nature of British Columbia securities.

MIDWAY.

Midway Advances. Mr. Brophy, of Butte, Mont., is in looking over our camps, presumably in the interests of the Butte and Boston companies.

C. D. B. Green has recently acquired some valuable extensions on the north fork of the Kettle river.

About 25 men are now at work on and around the Cariboo mine at Camp McKinley. Some of the best average ore ever taken from the mine is being run through the mill at the present time.

R. G. Sidley has three men at work on the Anarchist claim, Camp McKinley, and intends keeping a force of men at work on the claim for the balance of the winter. At the bottom of the shaft, which is now down about thirty feet, free gold is visible in the rock. A mill test of ore taken from this claim gave very satisfactory results.

It is expected a force of men will be put to work on the claims recently bonded in the Greenwood camp—the Knob Hill and Old Ironsides.

C. D. B. Green, P. L. S., is engaged in laying out the road between Greenwood and Greenwood Camp, and Mr. R. Wood is putting men to work to cut out a sleigh road that may be made use of this winter, and which will be improved in the spring and converted into a good wagon road.

There is not much fault to be found with the country when prospectors can go out into the mountains on the 1st of December and make mineral locations. One thing greatly in their favor, and that is, so far very little snow has fallen in camps even of the highest altitude.

Complications are arising with regard to mineral locations, which will in future entail a recourse to law. It is reported that Mr. Van Ness, the person who recently purchased 50 acres from Mr. P. McCallum, adjoining Grand Forks, intends starting an opposition towsite. The Red Light ranch was supposed to have been purchased for a similar purpose, and if this is a case cut up into town lots there will be lots of very little ground left to grow onions and cabbage upon at Grand Prairie.

Mr. C. L. Thomet returned on Tuesday last from Spokane and reports that the Boundary creek mines are very much talked about there, and will certainly receive a very great deal of atten-

WELDING BY WATER.

A Process That Promises To Do Great Things in Quartz Mining.

Some months ago it was mentioned in the Inland Sentinel that a process had been discovered by which iron could be heated with the aid of electricity by merely immersing it in water. This was then a laboratory process, but since the experiment has been turned to practical account in such a way as is likely to make it of general use wherever the electric current can be obtained. The same process has been adopted to reducing refractory ores with a success that promises to revolutionize many smelting processes.

The experiment was successfully performed at the electric light power house on Wednesday evening by L. H. Dennis, now engaged in putting up the city electric system, who is an agent of the Canadian Electric Forge and Smelting Co., of Toronto. The forge consists of a vat of water, at the bottom of which lies a leaden pipe supplied with a positive current of electricity from one of the dynamoes of the electric light works. The negative wire is connected with a bar across the side of the vat, isolated from the sides, and upon it the iron source holding the object to be heated by the bar of iron rests. Contact between the negative pole and the positive through the iron tongs and the water produces the heat, which is varied by the voltage of the current used. There was not a very strong current in use on Wednesday night, but the files were heated to welding heat without difficulty and in no very great length of time. As the heat is produced by the combustion of the hydrogen of the water, no scales form on the iron, while any sulphur in it is driven off, thus making a better weld possible than the first to be used. This was the least remarkable part of the experiment. A piece of lead ore was then held in the tongs and immersed in the water, in which proper fluxes had been dissolved, and the result was that the lead was deposited in globules. Pieces of refractory copper ore were then tried, and the rock was sublimed, leaving native copper appearing on the parts of rock left. A less intense heat would deposit silver and a greater gold, should such be in the ore.

The quantity of electric current consumed is comparatively small. To prepare a horseshoe with coal at \$5 a ton ordinarily consumes 5.58 cents worth of coal—by the electric forge, with current at 15 cents per thousand watt hours, it would be 2.32 cents. William Peterson, of Niagara Falls, New York, was one of the first to use the new process in his general blacksmithing.

The process has been shown to be one of great assistance in smelting, especially that of refractory ores, and George D'Erasmus, inventor of the patented young Beech while out hunting. A fire had been through the place where the body was found, and nothing was left but a ghastly pile of blackened bones, her shoes, still in form and recognizable, and her hat for holding the berries. Coroner Abrams was notified of the discovery by the patent, and whether an inquest will be held will not be known until his return.

A landslide took place near the County school on Thursday last. The embankment at the rear of the school gave way, taking fences, outhouses and trees in its progress. The building was at once dismissed, as the building was considered unsafe, and Mr. A. Urquhart, one of the trustees, left for Victoria to consult with the education department in order to secure means to make the school house safe. It is thought probably that the recent shock of earthquake felt here had produced a rent in the hill behind the school house.

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 me in confidence and I will tell you, free of charge, how you can be cured. I have nothing to sell, but an earnest desire of honestly helping you. Perfect secrecy assured. Describe your case and address with stamp—L. A. Edwards, P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont.

MASSEY-HARRIS NOT MOVED. They Have Been Considering Establishing an American Branch, Though.

Niagara, Ont., Dec. 7.—Regarding the report from Niagara Falls, N. Y., that the Massey-Harris Agricultural Company, of Toronto, was to remove to the States and locate across the river, the Record prints a letter from the Massey-Harris Company, which says: "We beg to say that this statement is not correct. We have not decided to locate a plant in Niagara Falls, or any other States point. Permit me also to say that we have no intention of removing to the United States as has been frequently stated. At the Chicago exposition, in 1893, our implements attracted a great deal of attention; we have had numerous inquiries for them in the United States, and this is one of the reasons that led this company to consider the advisability of locating a branch at some convenient point in the United States, but no locality or site has yet been decided upon."

American News. Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 7.—Col. A. C. Hargrave, ex-president of the state senate, and one of the most distinguished lawyers in Alabama, committed suicide at his home at Pensacola, Ala., by blowing his brains out with a pistol. He had been in failing health for some time and this is believed to have temporarily unbalanced his mind. Colonel Hargrave was a brother of Bishop Hargrave, of the South Methodist church, and for many years was a prominent figure in Alabama politics.

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WELDING BY WATER.

A Process That Promises To Do Great Things in Quartz Mining.

Some months ago it was mentioned in the Inland Sentinel that a process had been discovered by which iron could be heated with the aid of electricity by merely immersing it in water. This was then a laboratory process, but since the experiment has been turned to practical account in such a way as is likely to make it of general use wherever the electric current can be obtained. The same process has been adopted to reducing refractory ores with a success that promises to revolutionize many smelting processes.

The experiment was successfully performed at the electric light power house on Wednesday evening by L. H. Dennis, now engaged in putting up the city electric system, who is an agent of the Canadian Electric Forge and Smelting Co., of Toronto. The forge consists of a vat of water, at the bottom of which lies a leaden pipe supplied with a positive current of electricity from one of the dynamoes of the electric light works. The negative wire is connected with a bar across the side of the vat, isolated from the sides, and upon it the iron source holding the object to be heated by the bar of iron rests. Contact between the negative pole and the positive through the iron tongs and the water produces the heat, which is varied by the voltage of the current used. There was not a very strong current in use on Wednesday night, but the files were heated to welding heat without difficulty and in no very great length of time. As the heat is produced by the combustion of the hydrogen of the water, no scales form on the iron, while any sulphur in it is driven off, thus making a better weld possible than the first to be used. This was the least remarkable part of the experiment. A piece of lead ore was then held in the tongs and immersed in the water, in which proper fluxes had been dissolved, and the result was that the lead was deposited in globules. Pieces of refractory copper ore were then tried, and the rock was sublimed, leaving native copper appearing on the parts of rock left. A less intense heat would deposit silver and a greater gold, should such be in the ore.

The quantity of electric current consumed is comparatively small. To prepare a horseshoe with coal at \$5 a ton ordinarily consumes 5.58 cents worth of coal—by the electric forge, with current at 15 cents per thousand watt hours, it would be 2.32 cents. William Peterson, of Niagara Falls, New York, was one of the first to use the new process in his general blacksmithing.

The process has been shown to be one of great assistance in smelting, especially that of refractory ores, and George D'Erasmus, inventor of the patented young Beech while out hunting. A fire had been through the place where the body was found, and nothing was left but a ghastly pile of blackened bones, her shoes, still in form and recognizable, and her hat for holding the berries. Coroner Abrams was notified of the discovery by the patent, and whether an inquest will be held will not be known until his return.

A landslide took place near the County school on Thursday last. The embankment at the rear of the school gave way, taking fences, outhouses and trees in its progress. The building was at once dismissed, as the building was considered unsafe, and Mr. A. Urquhart, one of the trustees, left for Victoria to consult with the education department in order to secure means to make the school house safe. It is thought probably that the recent shock of earthquake felt here had produced a rent in the hill behind the school house.

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STRATHNEVIS SAFE.

She Was Spoken by the Bark John Gamble, Which Arrived Last Night.

Drifting Helplessly Around the Pacific Ocean With Her Main Shaft Broken.

N. P. R. Steamer Tacoma Sails for the Orient—Gamble Loses Her Charter.

The big steamer Strathnevis, of the N. P. R. line, which left Victoria for Yokohama on October 13th, and for which so much uneasiness has been felt, is drifting around the Pacific Ocean with her main shaft broken. This news was brought by the bark John Gamble, which yesterday passed up to Vancouver after a long trip from Samarang. She spoke the Strathnevis on November 19th in latitude 48°40' north and longitude 146° west. All were well and had plenty of provisions. On the date spoken the Strathnevis had drifted 1600 miles, and as she does not carry much sail, it is possible she is being carried eastward by the Japan current. As it was several days after the hurricane which the Tacoma encountered, when the Gamble spoke the Strathnevis, that vessel had safely weathered the storm, if she encountered it at all. News of her arrival in Yokohama is now hourly expected.

The vessel had just about been given up as lost, the cargo of lumber which she took from the Sound, having been duplicated on the Tacoma, which sailed this afternoon. It is probable that the C. P. N. company's steamer Danube will go out tomorrow to pick up the steamer Strathnevis. A special to the Times from Vancouver says: The ship John Gamble arrived here this morning from Java with 2,000 tons of raw sugar for the British Columbia refinery. She sighted the steamer Strathnevis at 145 degrees west, 52.40 north, or about eight hundred miles west of Carmanah, on November 19th, drifting under sail with her main shaft broken. The accident happened 1,500 miles farther west. The John Gamble brings back the mail taken by the Strathnevis. The John Gamble was several days over due. She has sickness aboard, and the crew were not allowed ashore. One man died this morning. The nature of the sickness has not yet been ascertained.

Talk of sending vessels out to search for the over due steamers in the North Pacific ocean is not uncommon among shipping men here. It is believed that the United States and Canadian governments will be asked to send several steamers in search of the missing steamers Strathnevis, Gorseed and Ebrandale and the over due bark Lord Brassey. There are several British men-of-war at Esquimaut, and American cutters and cruisers on the Sound which could be used for that purpose. Inquiry at the office of the Northern Pacific Steamship company in this city today, failed to elicit any confirmation of the rumor that the company would petition the government for aid. A well known Puget Sound pilot said today: "I believe the steamer Ebrandale may have fallen in with the Strathnevis, which is undoubtedly disabled, and is trying to tow her in. That would, of course, delay the arrival of both steamers." Tacoma News.

The American bark Richard III, had a narrow escape from becoming a total wreck a few days ago. She was on her way here from Puget Sound, and off the Farallones became becalmed. The current set her in toward the rocks, and the captain, in order to save his ship, put out the kedg anchor. This only held for a few minutes, and when the line parted it seemed as if nothing could save the ship. Just at the opportune moment the tug Sea King, with another ship in tow, bore in sight. Captain Rasmussen immediately went to the assistance of the heavy laden Richard III, and towed her to a place of safety. He then came on into port with his other tow. In spite of the fact that it was a dead calm, if the bark had ever struck the rocks, she would in her heavily laden condition, have become a total wreck.—San Francisco Call.

Referring to the fact that Chinese and Japanese passengers are coming from San Francisco to Victoria to take the Oriental steamers, the Call says: "It looks as though this would draw the Pacific Mail and the Occidental and Oriental steamship lines into the fight as they will have to cut rates in order to protect themselves. The fare charged a Chinese by the two lines is \$50 and a Japanese pays \$57. By taking the steamer to Victoria, B. C., the Mongolians can better that rate by a couple of dollars."

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Three hundred and sixty-four sheep three hundred and ninety-two sacks of flour were a portion of the cargo brought over by the City of Kingston from Seattle last evening. Steamers Chehalis and Delta, running from Seattle to Hood canal points, have commenced cutting rates. The epidemic has extended to almost every passenger steamer on the Sound. A new postman has been placed on the schooner Casco at Turpe's wharf. The Casco will leave for the Japan coast about the first of the year. Sixty tons of paper were brought from the steamer last evening by the steamer City of Kingston for shipment to Australia by the steamer Mowera. Before going to Hastings to load lumber the Norwegian steamer Mathilda will take on coal at Comox. She will probably leave Esquimaut tomorrow.

THE COMMON SENSE VIEW.

What the Crazy Correspondent Could Have Discovered by Only Asking.

Assistant Postmaster W. J. Collett was asked about the telegraphic special in yesterday's Post-Intelligencer stating that the Canadian government had let a contract for carrying the mails from Juneau to Fort Miles. He said: "It was nothing unheard of for a foreign government to contract for the transmission of mails in the territory of another government, and that the case referred to might be taken to be a parallel of the contract the Dominion government now lets to carry mail matter between Victoria and Seattle. "Mr. Fred C. Gasch came to me a day or so before the last boat for Alaska left," said Mr. Collett, "and I wrote him in as a Canadian mail carrier. I did so as a notary public simply, and not as an official of this office. Mr. Gasch, who is a son of Commissioner Gasch, told me that he was only going to Alaska for two months, and his letter to me to conclude that he merely intended to carry the mail up to the mines with him and bring it back on his return. "There does not seem to me to be any doubt that the contract was made in Juneau. Juneau is in the United States, and Fort Cudahy, to which the mail is to be carried, is in British Columbia. We have no postal service up there, and the only thing I see about the letting of the contract is that it shows a bit more enterprise than our government does. We had a special postoffice at Mitchell, also near Forty Mile, and I believe there was some question as to whether the mail should go on the Silverhow. The balance will be shipped to San Francisco by the regular steamers and loaded on a sailing ship at the Bay City for the United Kingdom. The Umanila arrived here this morning and loaded 14,000 cases, which she will take down on her next regular trip. An enterprising sealing captain, who left on the Mystery, hopes to secure the pick of the Indians for his crew by arriving at Clayoquot ahead of the captains on the Maude, but he was doomed to disappointment. True, the Mystery arrived first, but only to find that the Indians were away at a potlatch at Nootka. The captain pocketed his disappointment and continued his journey to Nootka in the Maude in company with the rest of the captains, while the Mystery returned home, arriving here this morning. A Tacoma dispatch says: The Northern Pacific Steamship company has received a cablegram from Yokohama announcing the arrival of the steamer Hankow after an eighteen days' passage. On leaving here the officers were instructed to follow the route of the missing steamer Strathnevis and search for her. The cablegram states that these instructions were carried out, but no trace of the missing steamer was found. Nearly all the shipyards in the city are busily employed in getting sealing schooners ready for sea. The Borealis and the steamer Maud are on the stocks, while on Turpe's wharf are the Allie Algar and the Mascot. The Sapphire is being overhauled by Mr. Macdonald at the Rice Mills wharf. Port Townsend, Dec. 3.—The tug Magic was sold today to the Puget Sound Tugboat company, for \$12,000. The Magic has been running in opposition to the big boats, and the contest became so warm that towing rates were demoralized, and the big company concluded to buy off the troublesome craft. San Francisco, Dec. 7.—A dispatch to the Merchants' Exchange announces that the British ship Gorseed, 45 days from Seattle, to Tacoma, arrived at Port Townsend this morning. She is one of the three steamers on the Pacific loop overdue. Tugs Vancouver and Sadie towed the bark Ardmore to the wharf this morning, where she loads three thousand cases of salmon for R. P. Rithet & Co. She will probably leave for Vancouver tomorrow morning, where she will sail on the balance of her cargo of salmon. An extra shaft for the steamer Mathilda was brought around to Esquimaut this morning by the tug Sadie. The shaft was made by the Albion Iron Works. The Mathilda will leave Esquimaut this evening for Comox for coal. After a trip of a little over 100 days from Samarang, the British bark John Gamble arrived in the straits this morning at Singapore, to Tacoma, following having a cargo of raw sugar for the refinery. The sealing schooner Mascot is alongside Spratt's wharf fitting out for next season's sealing cruise. She will sail for the Japanese coast about December 20th. The N. P. R. steamship Victoria sails for the Orient tomorrow. The vessel was inspected at Tacoma and the hull and boilers were found to be in good condition. The steamer Rainbow took a quantity of stores to the naval yard, Esquimaut, this morning. They came from England by way of Halifax and the C. P. R. to Vancouver.

FLAGSHIP'S MOVEMENTS.

Will Leave for England on the 27th if the Satellite Arrives.

According to an official notice posted on the notice board on H. M. S. Royal Arthur, for the benefit of the crew, that vessel will leave for Vancouver on December 14th or 16th, and will return to Esquimaut on about the 29th. Christmas will be spent in Esquimaut, and if the Satellite arrives the flagship will leave for the south, homeward bound, probably on December 27th.

WHERE IS QUINCY?

A Mining Prospector Who Is Wanted as a Witness in Seattle.

Deputy Sheriff Cane, of Seattle, is in town looking for a man by the name of Jack, supposed to be Jack Quincy, a mining prospector, who, five years ago, worked near Los Angeles, and used to stop at Harry's saloon in that city. He is urgently requested to send his address to O. F. Wegener, P. O. Box 438, Seattle. He has circulars which Mr. Cane is circulating it says: "Jack met Harry whose name is Craemer, on August 13, 1894, in Tacoma, and gave him \$35. The next day Harry was arrested in Seattle, under suspicion of having taken the \$35 from a woman and murdered her. He has been in jail ever since, and can only be saved from hanging by producing his friend Jack Quincy, who gave him the money and can prove that Harry was in Tacoma on that day. No trouble of any kind came to me. All his expenses to Seattle and return will be paid. It will save his friend Harry's life and the happiness of his wife and three little children if Jack can be produced. Letters which were sent to Quincy in Tacoma were delivered here, so he must have been here at some time. Jack is about 5 feet 8 inches high, eyes and moustache, and is a quiet man, and does not talk much. A reward of \$100 will be paid for information that will lead to the finding of Quincy."

SALE OF FARM PROPERTY.

The Vine Farm at Pedder Bay Sold to Mr. J. Reid.

Mr. J. Reid has purchased the property at Pedder Bay known as the Vine Farm. It consists of about 500 acres and is delightfully situated at the head of the bay. This property was purchased by Leonard Perry, a young Englishman, a few years ago for \$20,000, but believing he had been duped, Perry endeavored to have the sale voided through the courts. He lost the case, and becoming disgusted, sold the place for a few thousand dollars and left the country. The property was then purchased by Mrs. Conway, of the Four Mile House, and since her death has been in charge of Mr. J. Keith Wilson, through whom the sale was made to Mr. Reid. The price is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$10,000. It is Mr. Reid's intention to purchase a steam yacht, by which he can conveniently bring the produce of the farm to market. —If you want a reliable dye that will color an even brown or black, and will please and satisfy you every time, use Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers.

GEORGE WILLIS CROFT.

His First Wife, Believing Him Dead, Married Again.

The New Westminster Columbian publishes the following story regarding Geo. Willis Croft, who recently committed suicide: He came to British Columbia, leaving behind him a wife and three children, who shortly expected to follow him to the west. He never wrote home, however, and his wife came to the conclusion that he was dead. Mrs. Willis Croft was left, without means of support, and about a year after her husband's departure, finding it absolutely necessary to do something for the support of herself and her children, she removed to the village of Southampton and opened a bakery and confectionery shop. Supported by this business, Mrs. Willis Croft was able to give her children a good education, and keep them in comfort until they were able to strike out for themselves. On reaching womanhood, the only daughter married, and by this time the two boys were doing well for themselves. Mrs. Willis Croft, who had believed herself a widow from the first year after her husband's departure, married after he had been away 18 years, during which time no hint reached her that George Willis Croft was alive. About two years ago she received the first intimation that she was not a widow when she married the second time, although, legally, she was justified in marrying long before she did. A gentleman from this city, who happened to be visiting in Southampton at this time, was requested to make inquiries as to the truth of the rumor that Mr. Willis Croft was still alive, and on his return he did so, and found the report was true. Although Mr. Willis Croft was well aware that his wife was still alive, it appears that he married again in this province. The Victoria Colonist says he obtained a divorce from his first wife years ago, but, if this was the case, the first Mrs. Willis Croft was kept in entire ignorance of the proceedings. Two months ago Mr. Willis Croft's daughter by his first wife became a widow, and, having a large family of children to support, wrote, it is stated, to her father for assistance. After receiving the letter Mr. Willis Croft endeavored to become gloomy and down-hearted, and it was probably owing to the fear that his mixed family affairs would be sullied by such a disclosure. James Willis Croft, brother of George Willis Croft, was one of the victims of the Frog Lake massacre in the Northwest rebellion, in 1885. Prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, and all ailments, guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Blue Pills. Small price. Small dose. Small pill.

THE B. C. B. G. A. SMOKER.

The Non-Commissioned Officers and Men Prove Good Entertainers.

There was a large attendance at the B. C. B. G. A. smoking concert held in the drill shed last evening. The programme was excellent, and included a song by Staff Sergeant William Muir, a vocal duet by Signalman Nokes and Sergeant Ford; a song by Captain Ross Munro; musical selection by Gunners George Lawrie and Colby; song by Gunner Wilkinson; recitation by Bombardier M. G. Spranger; song by Grant; song by Sergeant Ford; song by Sergeant H. J. Thomas; song, Signalman Nokes; quartette, Messrs. Stanley, Pades, Nokes and Colby; song, J. G. Brown; song, G. W. Williams; cornet solo, Mr. Proctor; duet, Messrs. Eades and Nokes; song, Gunner J. Spranger; song, Captain Munro, and duet, Sergeant Ford and Signalman Nokes. Refreshments were provided and the different toasts were responded to in a happy manner. The Imperial Forces was proposed by the chief of the band, and brought off from Lieut.-Colonel Rawstons, M. A., and Lieut. Gordon, R. E. The Officer commanding the B. C. B. G. A. was proposed by Major McArthur, and Lieut.-Colonel Prior responded. Major Williams presided. The B. C. B. G. A., and Lieut.-Colonel Peters replied. The arrangements for the smoker were made by the non-commissioned officers and the men of the corps.

MUOH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.

The following fire-eating dispatch from Tacoma appears in the Post-Intelligencer:

Tacoma, Dec. 4.—The Canadian government has let a contractor for the carrying of mails from Alaska to Forty Mile Creek, which is also in the territory of the United States, but which Canada is asserting claim to. It is said that for a foreign country to let a territory of another government is something that is practically unheard of in the world. It is said that the contractor is a British subject, and that the Dominion of Canada is bound to let him have the contract. The Canadian government thus executes a coup d'etat in establishing communication with the United States, and the minister having no postal service there and the minister carrying private carriers \$1 per letter for carrying the mails. This is the Canadian government's sending of a mile, is taken to mean that the country's determination to possess the disputed territory. The matter from which this great fire has kindled is such a simple every-day occurrence that it is a marvel how there could be such a mountain of such non-sensical rubbish evolved from it, and the only reason for the poetry, the postal officials here say, is ignorance. An engagement has been made with a mail carrier for one trip only, not a two monthly contract, to bring the mails over from Juneau to Port Cudahy, or Forty Mile, as it is called, which is some 22 miles on the Canadian side of the boundary, even after allowing for whatever small strip may be in dispute. It would be just as logical to raise a fuss about the arrangements the Canadian government makes for bringing the mails over from Port Townsend or from San Francisco; or the people of Canada might get alarmed because the American contractor brings the mail down here from Juneau.

THE KAVANAGH CASE.

To the Editor:—In regard to the trouble between my husband and myself, we never had trouble until six weeks after I arrived in Victoria, when Mrs. Kavanagh, sr., and myself had some words. Then she started and made trouble between Mr. Kavanagh and myself, and through her interference he forbade me attending my church or taking my child with me to church. As to my drinking it is false. I neither touch, taste nor handle liquor in any shape or form. Our whole trouble was religious. Mr. Kavanagh and his mother were good Catholics in Ireland and turned Protestant since coming to Victoria. MRS. KAVANAGH.

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LAW INTELLIGENCE.

From Friday's Daily.

Re. B. G. Pottory Company.—Mr. Justice Drake this morning delivered the following judgment herein on the summons heard before him yesterday: "Mr. Martin applied for payment to certain workmen of their claims, which by law have a priority over other accounts. At present no dividend sheet has been prepared, and there is a small balance in the hands of the liquidator. By section 91 the costs of winding up have to be paid before any dividend can be declared. I am informed that it is doubtful if there will be sufficient funds in hand to meet these liabilities. I make no order on this summons, except that the liquidator be entitled to his costs of attendance." Mr. Archer Martin for the workmen and Mr. Gordon Hunter for the plaintiff. The trial of Clark vs. Pemberton and Ward was postponed this morning, to come up again on twenty-four hours' notice. The defendants were not ready to go on because Mr. W. A. Ward, one of their witnesses, was not here. The defendants are to pay the costs of the day. Yesterday Mr. Justice Walkem dismissed the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Mrs. Hoskins of South Prairie, Wash., against the authorities of St. Ann's Convent, Victoria, for the recovery of the seven year old child, Mary Jardine. In 1888, the mother took her girl to the Sister's school at North Yakima and paid \$8 per month for board and tuition fees. In 1890 she alleges she signed some written agreement the contents of which she is ignorant, in reference to the child, and in addition gave the sisters of the school a sewing machine towards her daughter's support, since which time she has not seen her and she does not know where she is at the present time. A few days ago the mother came here, accompanied by her attorney, Mr. Garretson, of Tacoma, and applied at St. Ann's Convent for her daughter. From this time on the affidavits differ as to what happened. At any rate the mother did not find the girl, and believed she was in the convent. The Mother Superior stated on affidavit that Mary Jardine was not now and never was in the convent and what was more they knew nothing about her. It appears that the information on which the application was based given by two little girls of not more than eight years of age, who go to the convent. The sisters say the reason they refused Mrs. Hoskins admission was because she came to them with a man who was cheeky, who made nasty insinuations and imputed that they were telling the truth when they said they knew nothing about her. Mr. Fell acted for the mother, and Mr. G. H. Barnard for the Sisters of St. Ann.

SALMON RUN.

Most Prosperous and Phenomenal Run in the History of the Sound.

The most prosperous and phenomenal salmon run in the history of the Sound is the record of this season, and the end is not yet in sight. The amount of salmon taken from the waters ever of this time surpasses the oldest inhabitants. It is one of the extraordinary years one hears about but seldom witnesses, says the Seattle Press-Times.

There were 17,000 salmon in the Myers cannery dock today, bright, slick, fresh looking fellows, every one worth a dollar when he is properly cleaned, steamed and soldered up in tin cans and labelled with the Elliot Bay Packing company's fancy brand. The run has been good and fairly constant since September 1, and the amount of fish caught would more than feed a multitude. Mr. Myers is reticent about giving out figures, but those who are closely interested in fish canning and watching the shipments of tin plate to his establishment give it out that he has put up at least 70,000 cases. Mr. Myers has the distinction at this time of being the only man in the United States engaged in canning salmon. At least no canner in the country is known to be in operation outside of his.

The fish are now taken in the upper Sound, where they are still sporting by the millions. A good many have come up the streams, but the open Sound contains immense schools which are as silvery and fresh as when canning first opened. The season of 1895 will be a red letter one in the history of Myers' experience in the business.

LECTURE ON WORDS.

Rev. W. L. Clay's Part in the Sir Wm. Wallace Society's Entertainment.

Last night the Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. D., spoke before the Sir William Wallace Society on "Words." Mr. Clay, in introducing the subject, said: "If you desire of me in beginning my address to announce my text, I will take you for a little back to that maker of words, William Shakespeare, and to one of his greatest dramas, Hamlet. In the second act of that great play, Hamlet, in his assumed insanity, enters a room in the castle reading, and is addressed by Polonius, the lord chamberlain, thus: 'What do you read, my lord?' to which Hamlet gave the characteristically indelicate reply, 'Words, words, words.' A half-hour's ramble among words will not be found unprofitable. The dictionary will be a surprisingly interesting book. It should be a matter of concern to keep our utterances pure, not only in their form and diction. Speech has a sanctity all its own. It is the divine warrant of our manhood. Of all creation man alone has the use of words to express his thoughts." Mr. Clay then went on to speak shortly of the origin of language, in which, after reviewing the several theories put forth, he said: "The true answer to the inquiry how language arose is this: The Creator gave man language just as he gave him reason. They are indeed so essentially the same that the Greek language has the same word for both. From such an origin, both divine and human, that development may we not expect? And could be such a result is quite equal to the highest expectations. 'What riches,' exclaims one, 'lie hidden in the vulgar tongue of our poorest and most ignorant! What flowers of paradise lie under our feet with their beauties and their parts undistinguished and undiscerned from having been daily used in our mouths.' Emerson somewhere speaks of language as 'fossil poetry.' We are all poets enough to appreciate the poetry that is enshrined in our common words. Having spoken of the poetry of words, he then took up the morality of words, on which he said: 'Language is not only included in the poetry of the past. It is a record more enduring than brass of the morals of those who have used it. The very words which man speaks bear indelible traces of the dignity of his origin, the degradation into which he has fallen and the indestructible hope of recovery.' The history of words was next taken up briefly, Mr. Clay continuing: 'It has been said, and with truth, that more can be learned from the history of a word than from the history of a campaign. The English language is in a large measure the product of English history. It bears upon it the marks and footprints of large revolutions and political changes.' Political terms were next spoken of, and in connection Mr. Clay said: 'The ramble among words might be continued any length, but enough has been already said to indicate that vast wealth is stored up in common speech. Ours is one of the most expressive and elastic languages among men and destined to be

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