Toronto, 1st December, 1897.

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ROBERT CUNNINGHAM. Alice Arm, B. C.

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Dated this 10th day of October, 1897

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ennet Lake, B. C., Nov. 4th, 1897. OTICE is hereby given that 60 days after late the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of ands and Works for permission to purhase 160 acres of land situated on the oth Arm of Teelin Lake and on the west side of the Arm or Slough thereof, mencing at the southeast corner pos C. E. Thomas' claim, thence south 40 ains along the west shore of the said rm or Slough thereof, thence west 40 hains, thence north 40 chains to C. E. omas' line, thence east 40 chains to JOHN ALEXANDER HINTON.

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CHARLES EDWARD THOMAS Victoria, B. C., 13th Oct., 1897. oc19-2m

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SPAIN AND CUBA.

Some Reassuring Criticism of Existing Conditions.

New York, Dec. 20 .- A letter written by one of the foremost diplomats of Spain and one more or less in the entire onfidence of the government and therefore in a position to speak officially, destroyed some of the arguments that have been used time after time during the past few days by those in opposition to the Liberal ministry, says the Madrid

correspondent of the Herald. Speaking of this ministry, the writer points out irrefutably that M. L. Kin-ley's message cannot be construed as attacking the honor of the Spanish army, like to make the public believe. In the second place. Gen. Weyler was not recalled owing to pressure from the United the express wish of the Oneen Regent his recall had been decided upon during the late Premier Canovas' ifetime. In the third place, the nation as a whole appears to be more strongly in favor of the government than has been the case in Spain for a long time. Everyone is eager to have done with the Cuban question, and at this very moment the city is decorated and illuminated as a sign of rejoicing over the estabishment of peace in the Philippine Islands, while on every hand you hear wishes that the next bill of good news

will be of a lasting peace in Cuba. DIED IN THE DOUGH DISH:

New York, Dec. 20 .- The Herald says: Circumstances pointing to a murder of unusual horror were recently brought to the attention of Distrinct Attorney Olcott and Captain McCluskey, of the detective bureau, the alleged victim of the case having been Peter Doggett, 30 years old, who, if his relatives are justified in their stories, was thrown into the dough-mixing vat at 427 West Fifteenth street on August 28th last and literally cut to pieces.

DIPLOMATIC UNDERSTANDING. Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 20.-The Brazilian and Italian government have signed an agreement settling the incident of the killing of the Italians at Spiritus Sancto last month. Italy admits that there was no cause for diplomatic intervention.

NOT BORN TO DROWN.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.-The schooner er Mayflower, Captain Olsen, has arrived, fifteen days from Coquille river. The vessel had 112,000 feet of lumber as a cargo when she started, but when she reached here she was 10,000 feet short. A seaman was at one time carried over the side of the schooner, but was caught by a wave and was carried back on board again.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

London, Dec. 20 .- A dispatch from Christiania to the Daily Chronicle says the political situation since the failure united committee on foreign affairs has become critical, and it is feared that Sweden wil seek an occasion for armed intervention in Norway.

DUTIES ON PIGS AND PRODUCTS Paris, Dec. 20.—The chamber of deputies to-day passed a bill increasing the customs duties on pigs, pig products and lard. The bill fixed a duty on hogs at 12 francs; on sucking pigs at 3 francs; on hog products at 50 francs and on lard

at 35 francs per hundred kilos. AUTONOMY DISCOURAGEMENTS. Madrid, Dec. 20.-Lieut.-Gen. Marin, captain-general of Puerto Rico, is about to resign owing to the impossibility of a While every person cannot have an S. S. Spearrier, who, it is thought, extret reconciliation of the different parties in abundant head of hair, it is possible, with committed suicide or was murdered and the suici

Wu Ying Fang, Diplomatic Representative in the United States, on the Port Arthur Episode.

Germany's Policy is a Matter of Much Speculation at Washington.

New York, Dec. 20 .- A special to the Herald from Washington says: Minister Wu Ying Fang, the diplomaic representative of China in this counry, expressed the opinion that the reeported occupancy of Port Arthur by a from Havana confirm the report of the

fleet, granted by the Peking government, He said the Russian squadron in Asiatic waters was granted permission last year to winter at Kiao Chau, and the Russian ships remained there during the winter, but as soon as warm weather set in they resumed their manoeuvers in the Pacific ocean. For the convenience of the Russian officers the Chinese government sent interpreters to Kiao Chau and made every effort to make them comfortable.

In view of the German occupancy of Kiao Chau it was impossible to permit Russian ships to return to that port and the minister therefore believes the Russian admiral asked and received permis sion to winter his ships at Port Arthur. It is said Russian vessels cannot winter at Vladivostock during the winter owing to the ice. The minister said he thought the Germans would eventually retire from Kiao Chau. So far as known in. Russia there is no intention on the part of the Chinese government to seek the exercise of the good offices of this government with a view to securing the

withdrawal of Germany. Minister Wu is extremely anxious that American interests shall be extended in China. Two or three American syndicates are now seeking concessions in the Celestial Kingdom, but he is desirous that more shall reach out for Chinese trade and thus promote commercial relations between the Peking and Washington governments. The United States he says, has not ulterior motives with reference to the empire. It does not want Chinese territory and the development of its interests in the kingdon would naturally increase and strengthen the concern of this government in the welfare of its associate friends. It is understood the minister is considering the advisability of suggesting to his government that the President be asked to authorize the employment by the Chinese of army and navy officers of (1.1) United States to train the army and navy of China. At present English offire employed for the navy and German officers for the army, but the gov-

ernments which these gentlemen represent are both grasping for Chinese territory. The policy which Germany is pursuing in the Pacific is a matter of much speculation in Washington. It is generally believed that the Emperor has simply been influenced by his desire to secure the passage by the reichstag of the bill to increase the German navy. It was said at the navy department that Germany is expending \$9,000,000 during the year 1897-98 for vessels under construction. One battleship and two gunboats have been authorized but work has not yet been commenced upon them. Two vessels under construction include two first class battleships, one armored cruiser, five protected cruisers, one torpedo boat destroyer and eight torpedo

boats. The report that Germany proposes to seize Hawaii and Samoa is regarded as ridiculous by administration officials. Germany has little interest, as compared other nations, in the Hawaiian islands. It is admitted that her interests

in Samoa are large. The last administration was willing to denounce the treatp of June 14, 1889, between the United States, Great Britain and Germany. Mr. Olney informed the German ambassador here that "The treaty is unfavorable to the United States and is one which should be modified or altogether abrogated."

President McKinley proposes that the United States shall retain its grip on Samoa and will agree to no proposition which contemplates the turning over of the share of this government in Samoa to either Germany or Great Britain.

TRAIN ROBBERS LOCATED. Chicago, Dec. 20.-It is believed by the authorities that they have located the robbers who held up the Northern Pacific train near Moorhead in October, and one of the alleged robbers is now in the county jail in this city. It is reported he worked in Moorhead long enough to familiarize himself with the situation and engage the help of some local men, who, however, weakened later. It is reported that the prisoner has made a

complete confession. LAMP CHIMNEYS IN DEMAND. Pittsburg, Dec. 20.-Notices have been posted in the majority of the lamp chimney factories of the country that instead of the usual two weeks' shutdown, there will only be one day of idleness (Christmas) during the holidays this year. The extra work means thousands of dollars in the aggregate to the workmen in wages.

GRAIN SPECULATOR SUICIDES. Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 20.-E. F. Moon drinking committed suicide to-day by carbolic acid. Moon was for many years a very wealthy merchant here, but lost his money in grain speculations.

While every person cannot have an the islands with a view of establishing care and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer, thrown into the river on Thursday autonomy.

CABLE NEWS.

London, Dec. 21.-Saturday, Dec. 25th (Christmas Day), Monday Dec. 27, and the Monday following (Jan. 3rd) will be observed here as holidays.

Madrid, Dec. 21.-Serious strike disorders have ocurred at Morenzo, where a band of strikers attacked a band of non-strikers. Several persons were wounded and gendarmes are patrolling the streets.

Berlin, Dec. 21.-Princess Hohenlohe, wife of the imperial chancellor 's dead. She had been suffering from inflammation of the lungs. The princess was born February 16, 1829; married Februarp 16, 1847, to Prince Von Hohenlohe Sshillingsfurst, and had four children, three sons and a daughter.

Madrid, Dec. 21.—Official dispatches

Russian squadron would prove to be but execution of Lt.-Col. Joaquin Ruiz. The a temporary convenience to the Czar's Ouern Regent has cabled an expression Queen Regent has cabled an expression of sympathy to the family of the deceased officer.

Sir Halliday Macartney, the English secretary of the Chinese embassy, was asked to-day if Russia's possession of Port Arthur would be temporary, and he replied that this plea was usually made a pretext for occupation.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE. New Policy of Ontario With Reference to Timber Limits.

Toronto, Dec. 20.-Undoubtedly the leading feature of to-day in Eastern Canada was the announcement this afternoon in the Ontario legislature by commissioner of crown lands Gibson, of the new policy of the provincial government with reference to the timber limits.

The government has yielded to the pressure of the large majority of lumbermen and of overwhelming public opin-ion, and has decided to put what will be termed a manufacturing clause in the timber regulations, the effect of which will be to compel the sawing within the province of all logs taken from crown timber lands. This legislation will certainly cause considerable comment in the United States and probably some excitement.

THE MURDERED ACTOR.

Great Interest Shown in the Funeral of William Terriss.

London, Dec. 21.-The funeral of Wm. Terriss, the actor, took place to-day at Brompton cemetery. There was an immense crowd of people. The principal mourners were the two sons of the deceased, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hicks, and Messrs. Cattie, Sir Henry Irving, the Charles Wyndham and Mr. George Crossmith.

The funeral procession was composed 100 carriages On arrival at the cemetery it was found that 50,000 people had assembled there. All the leading theatribe produced by violent seizures of tercal people in London were among those ritory." present. It was the most remarkable demonstration of sympathy in recent

CRUISERS FOR JAPAN. Two Under Construction in the United States Ready for Launching.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.-The Janese legation has been informed that the two new cruisers which Japan is having built in this country are so well along towards completion as to be launched within the next few weeks. The cruiser at Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia, has been christened "Kasagi Kan" and launching will occur on January 20th. The cruiser at the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, is named "Chi Tose;" launching in February. The cruisers are alike in all respects, having a tonnage of 5,000 each. The contracts call for a speed of 22 knots per hour.

FROM THE CAPITAL

Major Perry, of the N. W. M. P. to be Stationed at Victoria.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.-Major Perry, of the Northwest Mounted Police, will be sent to Skagway immediately with a large supply of provisions and dogs, and after seeing them over the passes he will return to Victoria, where he will be stationed to superintend Yukon parties at that point.

REV. DR. DAVID A. DAY IS DEAD. Baltimore, Dec. 20 .- The body of the Rev. Dr. David A. Day, the distinguishmissionary of the Lutheran church, who has served at Muylenburg Mission, on the west coast of Africa for nearly twenty-five years and who died on the steamship Lucania last Friday, one day out from New York, was brought here yesterday.

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For Sale by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co. DRAGGED THE SUSQUEHANNA.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 20.-Experienced nen dragged the Susquehanna river all day yesterday for the body of Rev. S. S. Spearrier, who, it is thought, either

PEACE OR WAR?

China is Asking This Question Regarding Her Relations With Germany.

Russian Influence Paramount-The Situation at Kiao Chau Bay is Unchanged.

Pekin, Dec. 22.-The China government have granted Russia permission to winter a squadron at Port Arthur. Great Britain demands a quid pro quo if concessions have been made to other powers. It has been suggested that the Japanese and British occupy Wei-Hai-Wei jointly.

The situation at Kiao Chau bay is unchanged. Germany remains unyielding and Chinese counsels are divided as to whether there should be peace or war with Germany.

China regards Russia as her only friend, and is asking her advice alone. British influence is nil, having suffered greatly through the failure of the loan negotiations.

China is now negotiating a loan with Russia. The latter demands the dismissal of the British railroad engineers in North China, and it is probable that the demand will be granted.

The German drill instructors will be dismissed at the expiration of their contracts and be replaced by Russians. Russian officers have already been appointed to drill the armies in North China.

It is believed that Port Arthur and Kiao Chou Bay were promised to Russia by a secret treaty. St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—In a strongly

anti-British article to-day the Novosti

"In consequence of the pretension of England to compensate herself for the Russian occupation of Port Arthur by the acquisition of Port Hamilton or Lazareff, and in view of the possibility of the disturbing action of Japan, Europe stands on the brink of grave diplomatic complications. It is therefore well to recall that the reinforcement of the German squadron in the Pacific perbalance of power between the three powers on the one hand, and Great Britain and Japan on the other, such as might

In conclusion the Novosti expresses the hope that the isolation of Great Britain in regard to the other European powers will paralyze her action sufficiently to permit the preservation of peace from the dangers threatening at the pre-

sent moment. London, Der. 21.-According to special dispatches received from Shanghai, the British Squadron will make a demonstration at Chee Foo, on the north coast of the Shan Tung promontory, as warning. It is supposed that Great Britain intends to oppose the division of China without consulting her. It is reported that Russia has offered China a loan to pay off the war indemnity. It is believed, says the dispatch, that Japan and England are acting in concert to reserve China from disintegration, favoring the idea of a protector-

ate over Central China, with a capital at Nanking. A German-Chinese commission has been arranged, according to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Mail, to settle the boundary of the occupied district at Kiao Chau, and it is evident, therefore, that the occupation will be permanant. The same despatch says it s rumered in Shanghai that the British intend to occupy Talienwan, south of

Port Arthur, in order to guard the gulf

or Pechili. The Daily Mail's correspondent at Tokio says there is no excitement there over the news from Port Arthur. The press is calm and the public is indifferent. It is rumored also, the despatch force has come overland from Siberia. Berlin, Dec. 21.-The Cologne Gazette embarrassed the government to-day by declaring that the other powers would soon follow the example of Germany and Russia now that the partitition of papers have expressed opinions in a similar strain. It has been hinted that Prince Henry's destination is another point then Kiao Chau and that he will receive the supreme command of the China seas. The Nord Deutsch Allgemeine Zeitung hastened to issue a de-

nial of these assumptions, declaring that they were not warranted by facts. Berlin, Dec. 21.-The Cologne Gazette maintains the accuracy of its statement vesterday that the Russian occupation of Port Arthur was connected with the visit there of the British warship Daphne, about a week ago. As a proof it points out that there were neither Russian ships nor Russian consul at Port Arthur at the time the Daphne visited the harbor, and it argues that Russia could only have learned of the visit there from Chinese complaints.

To the aged, with their poor appetite feeble circulation and impoverished blood Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a boon beyond price. Its effect is to check the ravages of time by invigorating every organ, nerve and tissue of the body. See Ayer's almanac for the new year.

NEW RELIGIOUS SECT. Establishment of an Independent Pol-

ish Catholic Church in America.

Chicago, Dec. 20 .- The Times-Herald says:

Polish Catholic seceders from the Roman Church, who have organized the independent "Polish Catholic Church of America,' with three parishes located in Chicago, recived Bishop Anthony Kozlowski, leader in the revolt, as the spiritual, head of the church in America on Sunday with impressive rites. The new prelate has just returned from Europe, where he went by appointment from his people to receive ordination as a bishop. As he could not secure recognition from the Holy See and was consecrated by a bishop of the Catholic Christian church of Switzerland , there was said to be doubt as to the welcome awaiting him. This proved to be unfounded. The priest's old parish received him back with open arms and great enthusiasm at his course of action. By this act a new sect is formaly established in America which occupies the anomalous position of recognizing the Roman Pontiff of the Occident: of subscribing to the Roman Catholic faith as based on the foundation of the Apostles, the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments, the traditions of the fathers, the Athanasian creed and the Council of Trent, except such decrees as touch upon the Roman jurisdiction and hierarchy-all those, yet affirming as complete liberty in local self-government as the investiment of growing.

The priest spoke on "American Reformation," and predicted that it will rapidly absorb most of the Polish-American Catholics into its fellowship. About 17,000 communicants are claimed by the three parishes in Chicago, after but four years of existence. The movement has spread into a dozen other cities. Bishop Kozlowski now stands at the head of this sect in America. Because of the significance of the prelate's return to the people whom he led into the independent movements, yesterday was celebrated as both a patriotic and religious holiday by many thousands

property titles in the local parish or-

of Poles in this city. After solemn high mass had ben celebrated by Bishop Kozlowski, he made a report of his mission to Switzerland. He produced the document attesting his ordination, which was read in Latin by Rev. Paul Poloch and was interpreted first in Polish and then in English. This parchment is regarded by the priesthood of the new church as ample proof of legitimate ordination. There was no attempt to convey the impression that Pope Leo

Dr. Poloch says the new Polish church now in communion with all the independent Catholic churches of Europe, comprising the "Federation of Utrecht," formed 30 years ago, with 4,000,000 communicants.

The siutation is the outgrowth of the dissensions which rent St. Stanilaus and St. Hedwige Roman Catholic parishes four years ago. Those who now constitute the Independent Polish Church left the mother church under the leadership of Father Kozlowski, and for awhile clamored for the appointment of a Polish Bishop, to have charge of their spiritual affairs independently of Archbishop Fehan. They failed to get any recognition, however, and the new organization resulted.

STEAMER'S SHAFT BROKEN. Liverpool, Dec. 20.—British steamer Floridian, Capt. Bullock, from New Orleans December 1st. to this port, has arrived here and reports having passed on December 16th, in latitude 50, longitude 22 the British steamer Appomattox, from London for Newport News. She

signalled that her shaft was broken. The British steamer Virginia was preparing to take the Appomattox in tow. SUNDAY IN MEXICO CITY. City of Mexico, Dec. 20.-The bull fight yesterday afternoon was largely attended. Ten horses were killed and six bulls. Mazzantini was in his usual good

form and the other performers acquitted themse'ves to the satisfaction of the public Mr. Bryan attended diving service at the Union Evangelical church and was also the guest of President Diaz at the distribution of prizes to the Mexican exalleges, that a large Russian military hibitors at the Chicago and Atlanta ex-

positions. GERMAN FLEET'S DESTINATION. Washington, Dec. 20.—The assertions that the German fleet, under Prince Henry, will go to Somoa and Hawaii, China had actually commenced. Other thus creating a menacing situation for the United States, are ridiculed in official circles. When the reports were called to the attenton of the German representatives they laughed heartily at the idea. Nothing of the kind has ever been considered. The German fleet will go to China via Suez canal and its destination is kiao Chou bay.

"My Life Despaired of."

These are the words of Mrs. William Burton, of Dartmore, Ont., after doctors had prescribed and she had taken every known heart remedy. Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gave relief in almost shorter time than it takes to tell it-it worked a wonderful cure in a case of long standing, and to-day she "I am a well woman." Dr. Agsays: new's Cure for the Heart has no case recorded against it where it did not give relief inside of thirty minutes. For Sale by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

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



BEET SUGAR MEN OPPOSE HAWAII.

Ames, Neb., Dec. 18.-The American Sugar Growers' Society has prepared a petition to congress asking that body not to be hasty in taking action on the question of annexing Hawaii. It has issued a manifesto in which it proclaims to the country that the annexation will seriously cripple, if not utterly ruin, the rapidly increasing industry of sugar beet

Washington, Dec. 18 .- The total output of sugar from the Hawaiian islands for the year just closed, according to the figures of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, is put down as 248,567 tons, as against 248,555 tons last year.

KITE FLYING THEORIES. New York, Dec. 30.—Wm. A. Elldy, of Bayonne, N. J., well known as an expert in constructing and flying kites and in aerial photography, has just completed series of experiments which he thinks prove that his kites may be made of the utmost value to meteorologists and navi-

He believes that he has established the fact that the pull of his kites on their. trings actually measures the velocity of the wind and he thinks that the wind velocity over a wide region is practically the same at a not very great height above the ground, where the effect of the irregularities of the earth's surface upon the atmospheric movements

CONFUSION IN CHILE.

Valparaiso, Dec. 20 .- Politics in Chile mits Bussia, France and Germany to had given his sanction to the new Polish are sadly mixed. Since the resignation effectively prevent the disturbance of the movement in the wording of the docucoalition of the government Liberals, the Conservatives and the Balmacedists, there have been several a new one, but all efforts in this direction have gone for naught. The coalition of the three parties was based on an agreement to give to each party two members in the cabinet. Senor Ismael Tocornal undertook to form a new ministry and failed because of the refusal of the government Liberals to abide by the agreement; they have been willing to give only one member of the cabinet each to Balmacedists and Conservatives. Then Senor Pedro Montt undertook to form a ministry, but was persona hon grata to certain political leaders; therefore he failed. Senor Montt was bitterly attacked by the press, and President Errazuriz was criticized harshly by even his own organizations for choosing him. Scheming against the interests of the country was charged and the president was accused of betraying his party. The president has had several conferences with the leaders of the three parties, but so far as can be learned he has arrived at no decision as to whom he will

select to form his ministry. A big mass meeting of workingmen was held here to protest against the government's policy or refusal of all offers build more railway cars and locomo tives at home. The speakers demanded that such work be done in order to give employment to those who need it to support themselves and families. A re-

solution embodying the sense of the TORONTO TOPICS.

News of the Walsh Party-Extra Police

for the Yukon. Toronto, Dec. 20 .- The Globe prints a letter from Dufferin Patullo, secretary to Major Walsh, which was dated from White Rapids, Nov. 8th. The letter gives details of the trip from Lake Bennett, and also announces two regulations by Major Walsh. One is that no man will be allowed to pass Tagish Post without a supply of six months' provisions, which will in all probability save many lives. The second is an increase of the duty on whisky from 50 cents to two dollars per gallon, liquor only to be brought in bulk, case or barrel, and only the best Canadian brands will be allowed to pass at all.

The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says much surprise is occasioned by the publication by United States Commissioner Foster of his correspondence with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as it was confidential and had not been declared closed.

The Globe announces that the force of police in the Yukon will be increased from 90 to 250, of which 100 will be stationed at Dawson, the balance at Selkirk, Tagish, Dalton Trail and one or two other points. The first detachment of 30 will be sent up at New Year's, the others following rapidly thereafter. Fifty dogs will also be sent up, making 130 in all which the government will then have in the Yukon. The additional police will he taken largely from Rerina district. It is hinted that the police may be withdrawn altogether from district and the militia system extended to meet the situation.

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What the Colonist meant to say when

it began that tortuous rigmarole about Mr. Kellie's action, which appears this morning, only a clairvoyant could tell; the fact remains however, that whatever it was the Colonist did not say it. But the public got full value; for out of the heap of verbal debris we pick most valnable things about Mahomet's coffin, the Zodiac, ginger, heavenly and political orbits, quotations from foreign languages-misfits, of course, the Colonist is always true to itself there—we have in Russia from Memel to St. Lawrence what the mass of the British people re and a l'outrance; and besides the fore- Bay. going very desirable job-lots of ideas there are several other very excellent cases of mixed metaphor (Colonist's own Sunday morning brand), twisted similes botched allegories, big words, or "langwidge," as the Colonist very properly calls it, and-very little sense or able, however; we didn't expect any sense royalty on all gold mined at the Klonor argument, so were not disappointed. entious man—and pruning away the example of the opinion prevalent among granting preferential trade to Canada gressions we find that Mr. Kellie, by people, it will bear a little notice. The however, from Mr. Kellie's past record having the effect of "taking the ginger," to use the Colonist's elegant phraseology fifth and imposed a tax of 20 per cent. (we always like to quote an undoubted on the product and confiscates every authority on "langwidge" and literary other mine." The writer, like most of style), out or Mr. Kellie's recent repudia- those who have filled the American newstion of the Turner government, it simply papers with their wailings lately, is very proves that Mr. Kellie, recognizing the ill-informed. It would be superfluous to fact that nothing like justice was to be refute those statements, but we cannot hoped for from the oligarchy, did the only refrain from quoting the peroration of thing a man of spirit could do-renounced that remarkable letter, for it strikes a his allegiance at once. "Mr. Kellie's let- very significant note which should not ter would be a lot (sic) more interesting pass unheeded by Canadians: had he prefaced it with a sketch of his political career," says the refined and cultured Colonist. No doubt; and it would likely have been much nearer the truth then the willow-pattern biography the this morning.

THE ORIENTAL CLOUD. In reviewing the general political situ-

upon which part of the globe the inevi-

table war-storm would burst, we ven-

clouds. Our article preceded Germany's

occupation of Kiao-Chau Bay by some

days; we lay no claim to supernatural powers of foresight, but from the dispatches published in the Times last evening it would appear as if our prediction diverse in their interests. Four his like: years ago neither Russia nor Germany cared to meddle with China. The that, and now there can be no disguising the meaning of the Eastern trouble. The Flowery Land is doomed to dismemberment among those powerful one instance-Kuldja-from any spot ness for duty he could not pay in cash. where a Russian soldier has set foot. And what has Russia been doing the past five years with particular reference Turkestan and the Central Asian territor- delivered by Hon. G. W. Ross, minister tain woke up one fine morning to find ing of the British Empire League in into an appanage of the Russian empire. with Hon. Mr. Ross that preferential The excuse was the Trans-Siberian trade with Great Britain would be a railway, which required cutposts of soldiers to guard it; these outposts will never be withdrawn. Russia works by a method of her own-unseen, secret, steady, slow; never turning back, never turning aside. What Russia aims at is Asia, from the Arctic Ocean to Point de a dream of empire greater than ever en- result in the opening up of Canadian re-Hannibal, Caesar or Napoleon. Some could accomplish. It would not only finitely. The incoming tide cannot be brushed back to ozean, and the advance of Russia has been as steady and resist-

Great significance is to be attached to the manifest unwillingness of the Chin-products as Canada can supply in large ese to allow the British warships to ex- quantities, such as dairy produce, fish, amine Fort Arthur harbor. This armes timber, fruits, vegetables and so on, is that Russian diplomacy and intrime far superior to those which now come to have conquered the Peking government the British market from European counand that China is clready under the tries. Among the probabilities of this domination of Russia as regards her for- great increase of traffic between the eign relations. Kino-Chau Bay, in the United Kingdom and Cauada would be Tellow Sen, almost opposite Seoul, the and it might possibly save the Austracapital of Korea, and it is not unlikely lian-Canadian cable from going into that there or thereabouts the dispute foreign hands. Railway development

ports, and if the United States sees fit after it is all over and China is dismemand many great changes been made, we believe that Russia will remain the dominant power in the Orient and will til nothing remains to absorb and all is United Kingdom. It remains to be seen

THE GOLD TAX.

A correspondent of the New York Commercial-Advertiser favors that journal with a lengthy communication respecting the Canadian tax on Yukon argument. We are far from unreason- products—the threatened impost of a dike. The letter contains much more The Colonist pretends to sketch Mr. indignation and eloquence than reverence Kellie's career—the history of a consci- for truth, but as it may be taken as an able to argument, and may see that by meaningless abuse and the aimless di- a very large section of the American the Colonist's own statement, is to be writer refers to the tax as monstrous, as admired for his independence. So far, robbery and as taking advantage of the defenceless, and says that "Canada has reduced the length of the mines by one-

"And vet Canada seeks amicable relations with the United States. We doubt We opine a day will come, not distent, when these relations will not be so very amicable. Canada has proceeded in this business with a high-handed Colonist tries its readers' nerves with imperiousness that forcibly reminds us of the throne across the water, where men are wont to debase themselves in the abjectness of their protestations. We positively decline to consider Canada's imperiousness. This continent has place for free men only."

ation a few days ago, and speculating As we said, we merely quoted the letter to show the sort of feeling that is becoming once more very prevalent in the tured to pick out the Orient as the re-States; it is only one of the hundreds stand up for his honest convictions. The gion most seriously affected and most we have noticed lately, and by no means likely to see the breaking of the thunder something to do with inducing Hon. Ed- ance." ward Blake to drop the remark he did the other night at a public meeting in Toronto, and upon which we commented. It is as well to quote the remarks upon ed his renunciation of the Turner govwere about to receive early veri- the foregoing letter by the editor of the ernment and all its works, says: "The fication. The foreign nations now Commercial-Advertiser; they are in the electorate which chose a supporter of in the Orient are wonderfully nature of a rebuke to the fire-eater and the government to represent them

"But what are you going to do about whole military world looked with suspicion upon the Chinese empire, and as we regulate our other industries with tariffs and things Canadians do as an honest man, to give them and to himself as an honest man, to give them and to settlement. thought that Gordon's estimate of the not like. These exactions do not discrim- portunity of doing so, which he can Chinese immigration is a vexed ques-Chinese was correct. Japan ended all inate against Americans. They apply to all alike, and Canadians are protesting against them. Probably they will be modified, but the matter will be settled there, not here.'

No doubt this correspondent was one nations, which are pretty much alike in of those who was going to "chaw up" one particular-where they plant their the Canadian customs official who should feet they remain. Russia, the real pre- dare to stop him at the boundary, and ponderating influence in the Orient, has who found it more convenient to chop never been known to withdraw except in | up firewood to work off his indebted-

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

Last week we published a verbatim reto the Orient? Exactly what she did in port of a speech on preferential trade ies ten or twelve years ago, when Bri- of education for Ontario, before a meetthe Russians at the gates of Herat Toronto. Hon. Mr. Ross's arguments and hungrily gazing across the Hindu were brilliant and his array of facts and Kush into coveted India. Quietly, sure- figures showed that he had made a most ly, irresistibly, Russia has been convert- careful study of the subject, for they coving the Chinese province of Manchuria ered the ground very fully. We believe splendid thing for Canada, and we also believe with him that the whole question rests with the British people-will they grant it for the reasons so ably set forth by Hon. Mr. Ross or for any other reason? Preferential trade between Canultimate dominion over the whole of great improvement of the Dominion's commercial and industrial conditions. It Galle; from Kamschatka to Bab-el-Man- would bring a great additional amount deb, from the Urals to Singapore. It is of British capital into the country and tered the imagination of Alexander, sources in a way that no other means think Russia is after Korea-no, it is produce a much closer relationship with Asia. That is the tremendous fact. the mother country, but would be a And she will never rest until she has, distinctly strengthening element in the by guile or force, achieved her end. In imperial tie. A stimulus would be given the event of a quarrel amongst the na- to all branches of Canadian trade, and tions now tearing at the carcass of no doubt one important result would be China it is certain that Russia would a greatly increased immigration of defight with enormous odds in her favor. sirable settlers. The last-mentioned con-Germany would not be able to hold her tingency would be a natural consequence own; Great Britain combining with Ja- of the multiplication of ocean steamships pan, or France, or all three uniting, plying between Canada and Great Brimight "stand-off" Russia, but not de- tain, and the drop in rates of passage that would be sure to follow healthy competition. Great Britain would very probably find that the goods supplied by Canada were fully worth the sacrifice that she would be called upon to make. for we believe that the quality of such Shan Tung peninsula, lies across, the an ocean cable under all-British control.

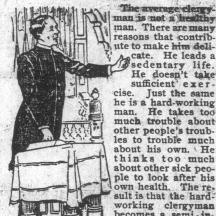
will be fought out. Japan could not very would also be greatly stimulated, and no well refrain from taking part in a strug- great stretch of the imagination is regle almost within hearing of her own quired to see a rival to the C. P. R. brought from the east to British Columto have a hand in the fracas, specula- bia by way of the Saskatchewan wheattions upon the upshot are vain. But | fields, and northern Alberta. Then, doubtless the neglected Oriental trade of Canada would receive the necessary impetus, and Japan be added to Canada's short list of big customers. These are only a few of the things which would be likely to result from preferencontinue the process of absorption untial trade between Canada and the think about it. What it means to them, temporarily at least, is, as Hon. Mr. Ross frankly admits, a slight increase of the cost of their food supplies. While tives may weigh with them and induce them to grant it for the sake of stronger imperial bonds between the mother country and Canada. The British industrial lasses are about as unsentimental as any going, but they are always amenthe ultimate results may be greatly to the benefit of their own country and the empire generally.

MR. KELLIE'S TRIUMPH.

Comment is hardly needed upon the interesting dispatch which the Times' correspondent at Revelstoke sends us today and which will be found in another solumn Mr Kellie true to his word. has met his constituents at the earliest possible opportunity and the result must be as highly gratifying to him as it is once and for all the government organs that predicted Mr. Kellie's constituents would not approve his course. Out of of the appointment to which objection was taken. Mr. Kellie is now the representative of a constituency unanimously in opposition to the Turner ministry, but which elected him as a supporter. Mr. Kellie, therefore, is not the only conscientious man in the riding. The electors of the district have taken house a gentleman courageous enough to only question now is: "Who among the so violent as most of them. Such expres- dwindling band of government support-

The Reversione Herald, the paper in which Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P., publishshould have a right to say whether they now prefer to be represented by a of rates. The Liberals also declare their it? Canada has a right to regulate her member of the opposition, and it is Mr. now only do by resigning." Mr. Kellie in his letter distinctly says, that if. his supporters are not pleased with his action he will resign. His supporters will be ill-advised if they compel Mr. Kellie to resign at the present juncture of affairs. But the feeling against the Turner ministry is now very strong in Mr. Kellie's district.

The Vancouver Wor-r-r-ld, commenting upon the opinion uttered by Mr. G. Taylor, M.P., that "whisky is the poor man's luxury," says there are many people in Vancouver who hold that whisky is a necessity. We can readily believe that on the Wor-r-rld's authority; for we know where a nip of it neat was badly needed a short time ago for the consolation the craythure brings to disgruntled "pollytishuns." Perhaps the Wor-r-r-ld knows the place and the people we mean.



man. There are many reasons that contribute to make him delisedentary life. He doesn't take sufficient exer-Just the same he is a hard-working man. He takes too much trouble about other people's troub-les to trouble much about his own. He thinks too much about other sick peo-ple to look after his own health. The re-

working clergyman becomes a semi-invalid early in life There is no necessity for this. A clergy-man adds nothing to his usefulness, but greatly detracts from it, by neglecting his health. If a man, be he clergyman or layman, will resort to the right remedy just as soon as he feels out of sorts, and knows that he is a little bilious, or that his liver is torpid, or his digestion is out of order, he will reor his digestion is designed and add much to his usefulness and many years to his life.

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"Eight years ago I was taken with what my doctor called liver complaint." writes N. E. Kendrick, Esq., of Campton, Grafton Co., New Hampshire. "I began doctoring for it, taking sarsaparillas and other medicines. Last February I had a bilious attack: and I could not sit up long enough to eat. 116 gan taking Dr. Pierce's medicines. I have tak 1 one bottle of Golden Medical Discovery' and one vial of Pleasant Peliets." I find no other medicine equal to yours in helping me."

MINISTRY.

Toronto Globe's Powerful Arraignment of the Turner Ministry.

What This Province Has Suffered and Lost Since Present Government Came Into Power.

The following article upon the history of the Turner government is from the editorial columns of the Toronto Globe. A few days ago we published a telenot over-sanguine that the British in- graphic excerpt from this article, but dustrial classes will submit to this there | the arraignment of the government by is always a chance that patriotic mo- the Globe is so just and so powerful that we reproduce the whole article that our readers may see in what light provincial affairs are viewed by the eastern press. The article is headed "A Ministerial Failure," and is as follows: British Columbia has suffered from a nost unfortunate provincial regime, and it is to be hoped the electors will see

the advantage of making a change when the opportunity arrives. The ministry seems to have been afflicted with a violent desire to give away, on every pretext, the mineral and forest wealth which should serve the purposes of public revenue for generations to come. Great mineral wealth has been alienated indiscriminately, and the real developers of the future will be paying rents and royalties to the fortunate recipients instead of to the whole people. he Cassiar Central railway grants are but an illustration, perhaps the most s:riking, of ministerial disregard for pub satisfactory to all who are for good gov- lie interests. By it Mr. Herschel Cohen. ernment in this province. It silences a gentleman from London, England. will be in a position to levy a royalty on the output of a large section of mining land. But there are charges more serious in one sense than incompetency against the three hundred persons who crowded the present ministry. Mr. J. H. Turner, hall, only six hands went up in favor premier, and Mr. C. E. Pooley, president of the council, figure as the leading men in a mining company that has issued a rospectus and is seeking to sell shares in London. In that prospectus it is actually set forth that there will be advantages for the shareholders in the 'unique connection" between the con pany and the provincial ministry. This thuse of a high position could not escape the British press. The Times, Truth, the a course they will have no cause to re Statist, the Financial News and other gret, and they are to be congratulated leading journals strongly condemned the for having as their representative in the upprecedented use of official authority Rossland Mining Operator Charged and the unblushing declaration of it The status of British Columbia, and, fact, of the whole Dominion, must have suffered through that most questionable method of selling mining shares. sions of public opinion, no doubt, had ers will be the next to fling off allegi. The Liberals of the province have for mulated a platform which declares against the leading lines of policy which have given the existing ministry such unenviable distinction. It condemns the alienation of public lands to railway speculators, and proposes to restrict the holding of large areas. Grants to railway corporations for aid in construction are favored only in the principle of invistments in the railways, the govern-

> tion in the province os i wherever the Orientals gather in large numbers. There is a strong cpinion in favor of their exclusion, but there is a corporate influence dominating the ministry in support of the importation of such labor. The Liberals have declared positively against it. The land grant to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway is old guard. another instance of generosity with the people's property. The terms of the grant gave the company their land in alternate sections on opposite sides of the line, a section given the company to be opposite a section retained by province. Without consulting the legislature the ministry by order in council altered the terms so as to give the company a large 'area of territory extending on both sides of the line. The tax on mortgages is merely an instance of incompetence. It has had the natural result of increasing the burdens of the borrower and is condemned as an wnwise revenue measure by the Liberals. The un-Liberal requirement of a deposit from candidates for the legislature and the inequalities of representation for the counties are matters of reform. The requirement of minors' license fees from wage earners in the mines is a sample of the mistaken means of revenue generally adopted after the reckless alienation of public resources, and is condemned in the Liberal platform.

ment to secure its interest by the control

intention to investigate the status of ex-

isting grants, to the end that as much of the remaining land as possible be offered

But this ministry can show itself resourceful on occasion. It is building a house of assembly, which, of course could not be finished within measurable distance of the time specified. A blass plate has been provided setting forth to future generations the completion of the work under Lieut .- Governor Dewdney. When it became evident that Mr. Dewdney's term would expire long before the blass plate could fill its mission there was a situation which might have puzzled an ordinary administration. But the rulers of Britadministration. But the rulers of Brit-ish Columbia rose to the occasion by torium building on North and Holmes holding a "formal opening" before completion. The opening was indeed, formal, for it consisted in the distribution of letters announcing that the Lieut.-Governor would be at home in the building at a certain day. They did not state on what particular rafter or joist the vice-regal party would perch, whether they would cling to a ladder or balance on a window sill. The formal opening was an unqualified success, and the workmen on the building never suspected that it was under way. In this record of absurdity, incompetence and worse there is a lesson which the electors of Ontario should take well to heart. Whether in Dominion or provincial affairs, Conservative rule has bee marked by the reckless alienation of the public domain. Immense wealth in timber and minerals can be in that way squandered in a single month. An order in council or vote forced by a party majority may entail irreparable injury. The mistake of a single election may bring the very material penitence of heavy taxation for years. The lesson is

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With Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

Carlos Warfield Married-Trouble in Quebec Reported to Have Been Cleared Up.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.-Robert Stevenson, president of the Granite Creek Mining Company, of British Columbia, appeareded in the police court here this morning, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. Miss Christie, of Ottawa, from whom he got a gold Last night A. G. Smith, the comwatch and diamond ring for seven pany's secretary, was confionted with shares in his company, laid the charge.

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Caros Warfield, manager to August | sure aboard at Vera Cruz. It was con-Heinze, of Rossland, B. C., was married signed to European firms, in transit via to Mis Whitney at Prescott to-day. It is stated on good authority that the trouble in Quebec has been cleared up vanished into the city with their bag by the premier to the satisfaction of the The unanimous award of the Behring him.

and Putnam, has been handed to Sir Julian Pauncefote and Secretary Sherman. signees, and the trucks had been line The amount is not stated. Sir William Van Horne was here today and had an interview with several into the treasure room. There was

the C.P.R. getting entrance into Ross-The premier returned to the capital from Quebec this morning. The council is in session this afternoon with almost a full attendance of ministers. The anreement for the date of the meeting

of parliament and the final arrangements in connection with the Yukon trade are The postal revenue continues to grow the November returns showing an increase of \$70,000 over the same month

last year. Lieut.-Governor Mowat, who has been closing up private affairs here, has left for Toronto. Many friends were present at the station to see him off.

The new minister of justice propose to personally examine into each capital case before reporting to council whether or not the law should take its course. Hertofore the chief clerk of the depart ment has reviewed the evidence and judges reports on capital cases.

FIRE AT KANSAS CITY. The Big Auditorium Building Probably Entirely Destroyed.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 21.-Fire broke streets, which contains the bigges theatre in Kansas City and one of the biggest hotels. The fire originated in the servants' quarters on the sixth floor of the hotel. Though great excitement pre-vailed among the guests of the hotel, no one was hurt in the panic which followed the alarm of fire. All escaped At 2:30 the fire is still burning fiercely. The east wall threatens to fall any mo ment. Spectators have been driven back from the streets, and part of the root has collapsed.

HEAVY SNOW STORMS. Nebraska Is Completely Covered Under a White Mantle.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 20.-Another heavy snow storm is prevailing in this seen and Turpentine for a severe attack state. During the last ten hours a of bronchitis. I got better from the great quantity of snow has fallen, time of taking the first dose. Having which, added to the 15 inches already a family of roung children, my doctor's on the surface, will make one of the bills have annually come to a considergreat quantity of snow has fallen, on the surface, will make one of the able sum. 11 believe a bottle of Dr. heaviest in the state's history. Out in Chase's Syrup occasionally will aid me heavy taxation for years. The lesson is obvious and should be thoroughly learned.

30° inches: Stock on the ranges are reducing them very materially. W. R. ALGE of the ported in splendid condition.

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Ottawa, Dec. 23.-The arbitra pointed to enquire into the losse Canadian sealers through being by United States cruisers in Sea, have awarded the sum 000 as compensation.

In 1894 the Canadian government fered to accept \$450,000, while t ed States offered \$400,000. Aft a compromise was reached both governments for the an \$425,000. A bill was presented grass for this sum, but it was In February, 1896, a convention tered into between Great Brit the United States with a view the liability of the United S any injury which the Canadian might have sustained. The mat therefore efferred to two comm Justice King, of the Suprem Canada, and Judge Putnam United States. The two comm met at Victoria last winter, snor parliament had prorogued, and h evidence in the cases. The was heard at Hulifux. Ho Peters, of Prince Edward Island had E. V. Bodwell associated v appeared as Canadian counsel, Charles Hibbert Tupper represe sealers. Sir Charles acted in tion with the Canadian gove counsel. Each government de pay the expenses of its own sioner. All contingent and expenses of the commissioners paid by the two governments moities.

The amount awarded to Gr tain under the convention on a any claim, must be paid by th ment of the United States w months after the award has be The decision of the arbitrators accepted as final. In cases in commissioners failed to agr transmit to each government a port setting out in detail the which they differ, and any su ences will have to be referred to pire appointed by the two gov jointly. In the case of a disag the president of the Swiss

tion will name an umpire. There are in the present av reserved cases. They are the B mond for \$5,000, and the \$1.000 The amount of the claims

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A representative of the Tin viewed a number of the loca men regarding the foregoing and all expressed dissatisfacti amount of the award. The su upon by the commissionerss considered entirely inadequa the dispatch indicates, this is amount of the award. Had Leen added to the amount s sum would have been more sa

WILL MEET FEBRUARY

Date for the Summoning of -News of Major Wals

Ottawa, Dec. 23.-At a the cabinet yesterday, it was to summon parliament for the of business on February 3rd. A letter has been received jor Walsh, dated 12th of which confirms the drowning man, of Seattle. Major Walsh wrote was on Sam's river. He got three months' provisions. Official advices have been rec Victoria that the owners of the vessels Ariel and Wilie McGo ed by a Russian cruiser in signified their readiness to offer of the Russian governme tlement of their claims. The tendered by the government Petersburg as compensation wa This is somewhat below the s two claims, nevertheless the have notified the government acceptance of the amount tend also that they agree to accept ion of the amount to be made Louis Davies, minister of mari Eight laborers from Hull and who had been working on the Nest Pass railroad returned hor and entered suit for damages as Canadian Pacific railway com signing off all claims against pany and contractors. The they were actually forced to their claims. They hold th agreement made by a man in not valid, so also is their agree to sue the C.P.R. not valid, as

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I used your Dr. Chase's Syrup of Lin seen and Turpentine for a severe attack of bronchitis. I got better from the time of taking the first dose. Having family of young children, my doctor bills have annually come to a con able sum, f.I. believe a bottle Chase's Syrup occasionally will aid me n reducing them very materially. Halifax, N.S. , Insurance Agent.

WILL GET \$464,000

Behring Sea Arbitrators Have Award-This Sum to the Victoria Sealers.

Local Sealing Men Dissatisfied-Expected That Interest Would Have Been Allowed.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.-The arbitrators appointed to enquire into the losses of the world, and combined with these qualities Canadian sealers through being seized by United States cruisers in Behring Sea, have awarded the sum of \$464,-000 as compensation.

In 1894 the Canadian government offered to accept \$450,000, while the United States offered \$400,000. Afterwards compromise was reached between \$425,000. A bill was presented to con- and graceful allusions which we expect grass for this sum, but it was rejected. In February, 1896, a convention was enthe liability of the United States for ator, a silver-tongued speaker, who any injury which the Canadian sealers voice lends to itself all the moods of the therefore efferred to two commissioners, Justice King, of the Suprem Court of being spectacular, of playing to the galmet at Victoria last winter, snortly after glare of the footlights to the parliament had prorogued, and heard the evidence in the cases. The argument was heard at Hulifax. Hon. Fred play them, and who, by their encourage-Peters, of Prince Edward Island, who ment, lend an inspiration to the man had E. V. Bodwell associated with him, who thrills them? It is to the Dominion appeared as Canadian counsel, and Sir of Canada—a dominion larger than the united States—Sir Wilfrid Laurier talks, Charles Hibbert Tupper represented the sealers. Sir Charles acted in conjunction with the Canadian government's not deficient in the virtue of audacity. counsel. Each government decided to It is audacity of the type which made pay the expenses of its own commissioner. All contingent and incidental expenses of the commissioners are to be paid by the two governments in equal

The amount awarded to Great Britain under the convention on account of any claim, must be paid by the government of the United States within six months after the award has been made. The decision of the arbitrators must be accepted as final. In cases in which the commissioners failed to agree, they transmit to each government a joint report setting out in detail the points on which they differ, and any such differences will have to be referred to an uni pire appointed by the two government's jointly. In the case of a disagreement, the president of the Swiss confederation will name an umpire.

There are in the present award two reserved cases. They are the Black Diamond for \$5,000, and the Ada for \$1,000.

The amount of the claims submitted to the Behring Sea Claims Commission at Victoria was \$857,000.

A representative of the Times interviewed a number of the local sealing men regarding the foregoing dispatch and all expressed dissatisfaction at the amount of the award. The sum agreed upon by the commissioners-\$464,000considered entirely inadequate, if, as the dispatch indicates, this is the total amount of the award. Had interest been added to the amount stated, the sum would have been more satisfactory

WILL MEET FEBRUARY 3RD.

Date for the Summoning of Parliament -News of Major Walsh.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.-At a meeting o the cabinet vesterday, it was decided to summon parliament for the dispatch business on February 3rd.

A letter has been received from Ma-Walsh, dated 12th of November, which confirms the drowning of Freeman, of Seattle. Major Walsh when he wrote was on Sam's river. He had then got three months' provisions.

Official advices have been received from Victoria that the owners of the sealing vessels Ariel and Wilie McGowan, seized by a Russian cruiser in 1892, have signified their readiness to accept the offer of the Russian government in settlement of their claims. The amount tendered by the government of St. Petersburg as compensation was \$40,080. This is somewhat below the sum of the two claims, nevertheless the owners have notified the government of their acceptance of the amount tendered, and also that they agree to accept the division of the amount to be made by Sir

Louis Davies, minister of marine. Eight laborers from Hull and Ottawa, who had been working on the Crow's Nest Pass railroad returned home to-day and entered suit for damages against the Canadian Pacific railway company, after signing off all claims against the company and contractors. The men say were actually forced to sign off their claims. They hold that as an greement made by a man in prison is valid, so also is their agreement not sue the C.P.R. not valid, as they were ually prisoners while at Crow's Nest Pass. There was no other way for them to come except over the C.P.R. line and

they had no money. A PLUCKY STATION AGENT. Redding, Cal., Dec. 22.-Two masked men attempted to rob the Southern Pacific Company's station at Keswick last night, but they were driven off by Station Agent Shuchman, who shot one of the robbers, who died soon afterwards.

The other made his escape. GOLD DUST AND NUGGETS. St. Paul, Dec. 22. The general pas senger department of the Great Northern railroad received yesterday a consignment of gold dust and maggets from the Seattle chamber of compaered, the total weight being twenty-seven pounds eleven ounces, valued at \$6,364

SIR WILFRID LAURIGIE

A Frenchman born under the British

flag, a devotee of the Church of Rome,

holding the highest honors under a Pro-

testant sovereign at first glance appears to be anomaly, and, en passant, it shows what a wondeful structure is the British empire, which makes no distinction of either race or religion. Because he is a Frenchman, living in Greater Britain, Sir Wilfrid Laurier combines the best characteristics of both races. He has the practical, hard-headed shrewdness of the Anglo-Saxon, the same capacity for governing which has made English rule on both sides of the Atlantic the admiration of the civilized he has the French elan, the audacity, the emotional quickness voicing itself in moving oratory which one may find among the French, but which the English, more stolid in thought and speech, lack. The oratory of English public men is like the leaders of English newspapers-solid, impressive, because of their thorough knowledge, teeming with facts and figures, but without grace, both governments for the amount of ponderous, and missing in those light and welcome. It is said that Mr. Gladstone is the only man who has ever made a budget speech interesting, but tered into between Great Britain and Mr. Gladstone stands alone among Engthe United States with a view of fixing lish orators. Sir Wilfrid is a born or might have sustained. The matter was speaker, and whose presence heightens cused of loving a coup de theatre, of Canada, and Judge Putnam for the leries. But what orator doesn't. What United States. The two commissioners orator does not look beyond the narrow great gallery, filled with men and women whose emotions are very near the surface, who are not afraid to disnot to the mere handful sitting in the house of commons. I have said he is the Earl of Beaconsfield the idol of his countrymen; the audacity which made him buy a controlling interest in the Suez canal from the Khedive of Egypt. thus at one operation checkmating France and turning a deal worthy of Mr. Pierpont Morgan; the audacity which sent a British fleet to the Dardanelles until Russia sued for peace. It was this same quality of audacity in Mr. Blaine, which endeared him to his countrymen. Undoubtedly audacity is a virtue every statesman ought to pos

sess.-Washington Post.

The Board of Trade Has Taken Up the Complaint of British Columbian Merchants.

Passes Strong Resolution Urging Government to Protect Canadian Interests in the Yukon.

Toronto, Dec. 22.-The Toronto Board of British Columbia Board, that Canadian subject to vexatious regulations on the part of the United States customs authorities and has adopted resolutions calling on the government to communicate with the United States government, and declaring in the event of that government not taking immediate steps as may lead to fair regulations via the port of Dyea government of Canada should at once take steps to close all Canadian ports of entry for trade entering the Yukon district from the Pacific Coast, excepting Glenora or Port Cudahy.

TEACHERS CALLED DOWN. Iron Mountain, Mich., Dec. 22.-The school board of this city has decided that many of the teachers are giving too much attention to affairs of society and has called a halt in the form of a resolution that was adopted, requesting teachers to refrain from attending dances, parties and other social entertainments held upon evenings preceding days upon which school is to be in session.

A MARRIED SCHOOL GIRL

St. Louis, Dec. 22.-Recently Miss girl, eloped with Sam Frazier, and they were married. At the time she was a pupil in the high school of this city. Mrs. Frazier continued going to school as usual until to-day, when School Superintendent Soldan informed her that, being a married woman, she could no longer continue as a pupil. She may appeal to the law, as she insists on completing her studies.

PEARFUL DYNAMITE EXPLOSION New York, Dec. 22.-An eight pound dynamite cartridge exploded in the rear of the Arbuckle coffee building in Brooklyn last night. Nearly 5000 panes of glass in the neighborhood were shattered and that the explosion was not attended by loss of life is remarkable. The explosion was heard twenty blocks away. The dynamite cartridge was to have been used in blasting a huge rock that had obstructed an artesian drill.

Count M. M. Tolstoi has made another donation to the city of Odessa. A few years ago he gave 35,000 rubles for establishing a special diphtheria ward in the municipal hospital. He has now given a sum of 12,500 rubles for supplying this ward with heating and other ap

THREATENED TO KILL.

London Dec. 22.-Charles Helmbold son of the late Dr. Helmbold, of New York, has been locked up and is awaiting trial at Bow street police station on charge of threatening to kill United States Consul General Osborne.

Dr. A. M. Watson, of Alberni, who has been earing for the crew of the Cleveland, since their rescue, is a guest at the New England.

MURDER AND ROBBERY. St. Louis, Dec. 22.-Jacob Wienard, aged 69, was found dead in his kitchen

bandkerchief, bound and choked to death by twisting a string around his neck. The house had been ransacked from top to bottom. From West Coast.

A DEMOCRATIC VICTORY. Meridian, Conn., Dec. 22.-The city election held here yesterday resulted in a Democratic victory. A. Ives, the Demo cratic candidate for mayor, defeated his Republican opponent, A. Lane, by about

A \$10,000 EXPRESS STEAL Columbia, S. C., Dec. 22.-A package containing \$10,000 was stolen from the Southern Express office in this city some time between Sunday morning and Monday morning. Employees of the local office are suspected.

A TRIFLE STARTLING

Curious Suggestion Thrown Out by Senator Wolcott at a Meeting in New York.

Proposal to Exchange New England Territory for Concessions in Western Canada.

New York, Dec. 2.-The ninety-second annual festival of the New England Society in the city of New York was held Delmonico's to-night. Four hundred members of the society and their friends, including many distinguished of Colorado.

In the course of his speech Senator Wolcott said: "The value of New England as a factor of our national progress has long been universally recognized, and it would seem as if there could be no new illustration of the fact. Within the past few weeks, however, I have been made to realize her potency as a source of possible national aggrandizement. A gentleman, English, I believe, but of extensive Canadian experience and associations, and of importanse in the Canadian world, talked to me on the recent efforts of that government to se care direct ocean facilities with England during the winter as well as in the summer months. He passed, after a little, to the great mineral and agricultural wealth of that portion of the Dominion which adjoins the northwestern section of our own country, and then made a remarkable suggestion. He said that while it may be premature now to discuss the subject, he had no doubt that an agreement would eventually be reached whereby in return for a large and valuable tract of rich territory adjacent to our far west seaport, we should give facilities for approaches through the state of Maine and possibly a slice of northern New Hamp-

shire and Vermont, While the propesition was at first trifle startling, yet it took but a moment to realize the chastening influence, perhaps not wholly unneeded, which such a transfer might exert upon the down East section of our country; it would goods going into the Yukon district are secure automatically the very reciprocity the new tariff act contemplated, for it would give Canada the Dingley features of the Dingley bill, and it was also a sure thing that if Canada took those Maine Yankees, to say nothing of a few from New Hampshire, she would boot, and so for the moment the plan

had its features. 'As one came to think seriously on the subject, however, and I am repeating to you a suggestion literally made to me, there arose instinctively that feeling, which we all cherish, of equal appreciation and devotion to every inch of American soil, a realization of what, it would mean to this people to face the possibility of changing by the shadow of an hair, the contour of these states, or the sacrifice of a chip of its native gran-

ite, however barren. "Not only does this sentiment prevail throughout the land, but we seem at times to be developing an inclination to our united aggressiveness, and we are in Gertrude W. Lewis, a 16-year-old school danger of furnishing a national illustration of the typical Irishman and his wife who enjoyed quarreling with each other better than any other diversion in the world, barring one, and that was joining hands to quarrel with somebody

> LOVE'S MASTERPIECE. Sunbeams Reveal a Face Long Hidden Among the Arches.

A century since, in the north of France, stood an old cathedral, upon the arch of which was sculptured a face of wondrous beauty. It was long hidden until one day the sun's light, striking through a slanted window, revealed its matchless features. And ever after, year by year, upon the days when for a brief hour it was thus illuminated, crowds came and waited eagerly to catch but a glimpse of that face. It had a strange history. When the catherdal was being built an old man, broken down with the weight of years and cares, came and besought the architect to let him work upon it. Out of pity for his age, but fearful lest his failing sight and trembling touch might mar some fair design, the master set him to work in the shadows of the vaulted roof. One day they found the old man asleep

in death, the tools of his craft laid in order beside him, and the cunning of his right hand gone, his face upturned to this other marvelous face which he had wrought there the face of one whom he had loved and lost in his early manhood. And when the artists and sculptors from all parts of the cathedral came and looked upon that face they said: "This is the grandest work of all; love wrought this!"-Humanitarian.

Hawthorn Greaves, of England, and A. ones Robinson, of Nelson, B.C., are guests

yesterday. He had been gagged with a Dominion Government Steamer Quadra and Steamer Willapa Back

> Chief Officer Durfee Tells of His Crew's Sufferings in the Open Boat.

It Is the Metallic Boat, in Which Capt. Hall Had Lost Confidence, That Is Missing.

All hope for the safety of the eight men who left the steamer Cleveland in the second officer's boat was abandoned upon the arrival last evening of the Dominion government steamer Quadra and ater in the night of the steamer Willapa. The Quadra cruised as far north as Hesgrot, where the third officer's boat was found, her officers making a thorough search, but not a vestige of the missing boat or the men who set sail in her could be found. The Willapa went still further north, as far as Kyuquot, and all along the coast made inquiries of the Indians and settlers, but her search was unrewarded. The boat was undoubtedly overwhelmed by the sea and the occupants drowned.

The Quadra brought down the survivors of the disaster, with the exception of Capt. Hall. Third Officer Melvin and one or two others who were well enough to remain and could be of assistance in lightering the cargo and helping men were present. The principal in the attempt which is to be made to speeches of the evening were those of float the steamer. The Maude is receiv-Governor Black and Senator Wolcott, ing the cargo, and when it is all out Capt. Walbran, of the Quadra, does not think the owners will have any trouble in floating her. There is a big hole in the ship's forward hold, but when the cargo has been taken out this can be temporarily patched and the steamer towed to the sandy beach at Anderson's Camp, where repairs can be made which will enable her to proceed to Victoria. Capt. Metcalf representing the insurance people, and Mr. Tyson, for the owners, are remaining at the wreck, and as soon as the cargo is out the Czar, which they have chartered, will attempt to pull the

Cleveland off. The trial of the Indians charged with octing the Cleveland was conducted before Captain Walbran sitting as a stipendiary magistrate, on Monday and Tuesday last. Six Indians who concealed stelen property were sentenced to erms of from one to six months, the others, including the white man Mc-

Carthy, being severely reprimanded. speak very highly of the way in which Captain Walbran and his officers performed their duties.

MR. DURFEE'S STORY.

The First Officer Tells of His Experience After Leaving the Steamer.

S. Bi Durfee, first officer of the wrecked steamer Cleveland, arrived on the Quadra, and with Second Engineer marine hospital for treatment While sitting by the fire in the hospital yesterfeet, be told of the terrible experience of his boat's crew after leaving the wrecked steamer.

"It was early in the morning of Friday, December 10th, about two o'clock, be glad enough to give them back in a I think, when, after drifting about with little while with something handsome to a broken shaft for several days, we were all but on Starlight reef, one of the worst of the bad reefs of the coast. Captain Hall, when we were within 150 feet of the reef, gave up hope, and so did we all, for not a mon on board ever thought she would miss the reef. The boats were lowered, and with the cap-tain's boat leading, we rowed towards Alpha passage. The night was dark, and we could hear the roar of the breakers ahead. The captain's boat was some distance ahead of the other boats and we were cautiously following him. After slowly feeling our way towards the breakers in the hope of getting through them and making a landing, we were given to understand by Thir invite some other country to differ with Officer H. Melvin that Captain Hall's us in order that we may demonstrate boat had been capsized in the breakers. I immediately turned my boat's head toward the open sea, and telling Melvin to follow, we fought our way seawards in the fact of the strong winds blowing on shore. We heard afterwards of how Capt. Hall and his crew got safely through the breakers and made a landing in Alpha passage, and we heard that he had signalled us to follow him, but as ill luck would have it we never saw the signal.

"Then began our long drift in the open boat. We lost Melvin and his boat soon after putting to sea. It was a terrible time, and as long as I live I shall never forget that five days and a half. How we suffered; the boat was half full of water all the time, for the seas were beating over us, and had we not worked continually to keep her head to wards the heavy seas, we must have been swamped. It was the same day after day, but the men bore up brave ly, and suffered most stoically. The cold was almost unbearable, but notwithstanding their blistered hands and feet swollen by long immersion, the men toiled on hour after hour. My clothes and those of the others were wet from the time we left the wreck until long after we had made a landing at Raphael Point. I guess we shall have many reminders of our terrible adventures in the way of rheumatic colds and pains in our joints for days to come. "On Monday, the 13th inst., the awful ordeal proved too much for one of

the boat's crew, George Carillo. He sank down in the boat from cold and exhaustion, and long before the end came it was easy to see that he was dying. About twenty minutes before he died he became very delirious and mumbled consideraby, although what he was saying no one could understand, for his voice was never raised above a whisper, His death was quite painless.

The remainder of the boat's evew

the exposure worn them out. It was misery. some time before they thought of giving arose, and lifting the body of the dead and sent them out in the cold and waiter gently, they consigned it to the stormy night. angry seas. Before this time it was noticed that the provisions were looking very small ,and the rations—we had al- a camp fire of prospectors. ready been on short rations for some seas, during which time our feet and hands seemed devoid of feeling, they were badly blistered and swollen and seemed as dead members, we again bore

stretched out on the beach. "I at once gathered some driftwood and built a fire. Then I got the carpenter to cut my boots off, so badly were my feet swollen that I could not get them off whole. The others were obliged to do the same, and soon we were all lying around the fire warming our half frozen bodies. No sooner did I begin to feel the warmth than my feet began to swell more than ever, and it seemed that if the swelling did not stop they would burst. As soon as we were warmed somewhat we went foraging for mussels and clams, for the provisions were nearly gone. While we were foraging we found a Siwash dog, and lost no time in catching it and tieing it up, for when the mussels and other things gave out-well, dog steaks would be relished.

"For three days we were camped on the beach suffering the most excruciating pain from our swollen limbs. Some of the men's feet had by this time broken out, and we were just about despairing when the Dominion steamer Quadra was sighted, and a boat from her came and took us from our camp on Raphael Point. Our camp fire, we afterwards found out, had been seen by some Indians, who had informed Father Brabant, their priest, and by his order informed Captain Walbran, who lost no time in coming to the rescue.

"We found third Officer Melvin and his boat's crew on the Quadra. They had been picked up at Hesquiot, which point they made on Saturday, December 11th, the day following that on which they left the steamer. They made a safe landing at Hesquiot, where they camped until the Quadra, being apprised of their whereabouts, rescued them. Although they suffered severely a son of a well known banker of New during the thirty hours they spent at sea, they soon recovered, and now all Coast about two years ago and engaged are well, and those who came down on in the real estate business in Los Anthe Quadra are walking about the

"The second officer's boat, which, like afterwards lost us, has never been seen since, and I am afraid it never will. The boat was an old metallic one, and it would be much more easily swamped than ours or the third officer's. I am afraid that the second officer and the seven men who were with him will never be seen again."

Carpenter Ishister, Fireman Cawley, Seaman Falkner and W. S. Dietrick, a O'Neil, Carpenter Isbister, Fireman passenger, are still suffering severely Cawley, Seaman Falkner, and W. S. from the effects of their exposure, and Dietrick, a passenger, was taken to the are confined to their beds at the marine hospital. Mr. Durfee and Second Engineer O'Neill are, although their feet day erening, warming his badly swollen | are still badly swollen, able to be about. Chief Officer Durfee and those with him would not have attempted to land had it not been for the fact that their water supply gave out. For two days they were without water, and their lins became so parched and their throats so dry that notwithstanding the fear of being swamped amongst the breakers they determined to try and land. Death by drowning, they concluded, was not worse than death from thirst. Had they not run short of water Chief Officer Durfee intended to keep his boat to sea as long as she could float, his hope being to fall in with some steamer searching for them, or with some one of the trans-Pacific liners, one of the Empresses, Northern Pacific steamers or Japanese liners. When the water was gone there was nothing remaining but to make an effort to land. Happily he managed to get their boat through the surf and breakers to the beach

The Missing Boat. The metallic boat in which Second Officer Henderson and seven of the crew left the steamer was last seen at 9 clock on Friday morning, December 11th, the day the Cleveland was abandoned, She was then in tow of First Officer Durfee's boat. The first officer was trying to put up a sail, but the mast carried away. It was then necessary to let go the line between the boats. The second officer's boat was soon lost sight of, and as she could not stand the weather that the others encountered she must have foundered very shortly. The

men in the missing boat are: L. B. F. Henderson, second mate. W. Monroe, steward. John Gallagher, fireman. Walter Davis, cook. Hendrick Danielson, seaman, Alikel Kolning, seaman. John Foster, seaman. Bert Larsen, seaman.

REV. FATHER BRABANT. What He and His Wards Did for the Shipwrecked Sailors.

In an interview with Rev. Father Brabant at his mission at Hesquot the venerable gentleman gave the following details of the efforts made by himself and his Indians to succor the crew the Cleveland:

December 11th at 11 a.m. the first beat in charge of Mr. Melvin landed and were promptly cared for. The crew of Mr. Melvin's boat report that they were separated from another boat about twenty miles from this place. December 15th.—Weather having be-me more settled I sent a cance with

ome Indians to Clayoquot Sound; instiucting them to have C.P.N. steamer toull here for the crew now with me and the keen a good lookout for the other boat above referred to, as there is no doubt the men are on one of the unin-littled islands, and sorely in need of the companion.

Stretched the years, a checkered chart, Since they played their deathless part, Yet to-day may we like them. Giving, hold the Christ at heart.—Cilnton Scollard in December Woman's Home Companion.

were scarcely able to move, so badly had help before they perish of cold and

16th.-At nightfall a light was sighted the dead man a sailor's burial. At across the bay some ten miles off. I length, however, a few of the crew picked a crew of seven stalwart Indians 17th. (a.m.)-Indians return from a use-

less search, the light having proved to be 17th. (evening)-The canoe I sent out time—were again cut down. After another day and a half buffeting about the seas, during which time our feet and he uled up on Rafael Point and that some, if not all, are saved is evidenced by the fact that they saw a fire burning. The sea, however, was running so high that the Indians could not land. The in towards the coast and found a place Deminion government steamer Quadra where it looked as if a landing could be arrived in our bay, and in the meantime effected. We at once pulled in, but the I dispatched a note to Commander Walprogress was slow, for our strength was bian with various suggestions as to almost gone. We were, however, where to land safely to reach the sur-strong enough to get through the surf vivors, which if followed may lead to and breakers, and soon were lying their timely succor.

A SCATHING CRITICISM.

An Indian Paper Roasts the British for Many Tactical Blunders.

Alshabad, Dec. 23.-The Pioneer pubshes a scathing criticism of the recent fighting on the Indian frontier. It says the operations have ruined more than reputation. The Pioneer asserts that the officers disappointed expectazons and calls upon the commander-in chief to waed out those who signally failed to prove their fitness to command or perform staff duties. The paper asserts that the instances when the troops were well handled were but few, while serious blunders were numerous, and happy-go-lucky arrangements were as a rule resulting, the few hundred British troops and Sepoys forming the rear guard having again and again fought most desperately to save their skins, while within two or three miles thousands of their comrades were doing absolutely nothing.

In conclusion the Pioneer says: "The whole campaign shows carelessness and indifference for the safety of the rear guard and bad disposal of the fighting strength. While the fortified enclosures and homestead of the Afridis have been destroyed, the latter have had their revenge in actual conflicts. If the Afridis are to be coerced, more skill is required and the staff must be weeded, irrespective of personel feeling."

A SOCIETY BURGLAR.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.-Charles W. Elkins, who made his escape from a Los Angeles Deputy Sheriff on a north bound train, Monday morning, near Fresno, Haven, Conn. He came to the Pacific geles. He was popular and was admitted into the best society. Soon after his appearance in that city, many burglaries the third officer's, followed us to sea and were committed among the aristocratic residents. Houses were entered at middap and jewelery abstracted. The thatts were finally traced to Elkins and he was arrested on five charges of burglary. He pleaded guilty to one charge and was sentenced to five years to San Quinten. On the way there he made his escape by jumping from a car window and is still at liberty. And here

AMERICAN NEWS. Boston, Mass., Dec. 22.-Complete and revised returns from 91 voting precincts Quincy (Dem.) was re-elected yesterday with a plurality of 407 votes.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.-Charles Stubbs started last might for Europe as a special envoy from this government appointed by Secretary Wilson, agricultural department, to encourage the use of the American horse in the cavalry of

Donippan, Mo., Dec. 22,-Fire destroyed the business portion of the town yesterday. Twenty-six business chouses were burned, and there is an estimated loss of \$100,000

MR. BRYAN AND PARTY.

City of Mexico, Dec. 22.-Mr. Bryan called on the cabinet ministers yesterday, ard last evening was entertained at dinner by President and Mrs. Diaz. The Bryan party left for Vera Cruz this morning and will return via Puebla to this city Saturday night and then go to Guadalajara and thence home.

BANKING MATTERS.

Chicago, Dec. 22.-The Hide and Leather Bank will go into liquidation tomorrow. The stockholders will formally vote to transfer the asets to the Union National Bank. Boston, Dec. 22.-The directors of the

rduce the capital stock from \$800,000 to \$500,000.

Freeman's National Bank have voted to

BRITISH DEMONSTRATION. London, Dec. 22.-According to a special dispatch from Shanghai the British soundron will make a demonstration at Chee Foo, on the north coast of the Stan Tung Promontory, as a warning. It is supposed that Great Britain intends to opose the division of China without consulting her.

THE THREE KINGS. Came those monarchs grave and hoar, with their gifts a goodly store, Gold and frankincense and myrrh, On that holy night of yore—

Ator. Sator, Sarasin, In their hallowed purpose kin, Following the gulding star, Each a sacred goal to win. Did they bear their offerings, Such a wealth of precious things, Unto one of princely place, Sprung, like them, from earthly kings?

Nay, but to an infant born In a lonely spot forlorn,
Yet around whose glorious face
Shone a halo like the morn!

For a spirit unto each Spake in no uncertain speech, Saying, "In a manger lies One who God to man shall teach: 'One who shall the night o'erthrow "

Bearing heaven with him below-Love that triumphs over hate, Peace and joy that conquer wee." So these monarchs, men of fame, Howed before Him, blessed his name, Laid their offerings at His feet, Passed as swiftly as they came,

heen in the vault.

LIBEL. CRIMINAL

Full Report of the Proceedings Against Senator Templeman in the Police Court.

Prosecution Object to the Reading of Extracts from the London Newspapers.

The well recognized advantage of preluding any specially attractive piece-deresistance by a "curtain-raiser" of mediocre qualities which obtains in the theatrical world was duly observed yesterday in the city police court, which for the nonce was the theatre of interest in the city. Quite a crowd of people evinced their appreciation of the amusement and information to be obtained by an attendance at the court, and their ap- if he wishes to do so." petites for the good things to follow were whetted by an unimportant charge a defamatory libel and that in itself is against a Chinaman for an infraction of the health by-law, which charge the magistrate, much to the satisfaction of the audience, remanded very summarily

until Thursday morning. The gentlemen charged with criminal Coltart and Nichol, of the Province, and Senator Templeman, of the Times, acseats at the table throughout the proceedings. Mr. Archer Martin had been retained on behalf of Messrs. Coltart and Nichol, and Mr. F. B. Gregory on behalf of Senator Templeman. Mr. R. Cassidy, who appeared for the prosecution, arrived on the scene just in time to open the case against the Times when it was called; but the gentlemen by whom the information was laid, Hon. J. H. Turner and Hon. C. E. Pooley, did not enter the court until more than half of the evidence of the first witness had been wiven.

The following is a copy of the information: (E.) Section 562. SUMMONS TO PERSON CHARGED

WITH AN INDICTABLE OFFENCE. Canada: Province of British Columbia. City of Victoria.

To William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia: Whereas you have this day been charged before me, the undersigned, Farquhar Macrae, police magistrate in and for the City of Victoria, for that you on Saturday, the eleventh day of De vember, 1897, at the City of Victoria aroresaid, unlawfully did publish in a certain newspaper called "The Victoria Daily Times," a defamatory libel on, of and concerning John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley, under the names J. H. Turner and C. E. Pooley, they the said John Herbert Turper and Charles Edward Pooley then bewince that is to say the said John Her-

ing members of the provincial legislature of British Columbia, and members of the executive council of the said prohert Turner being the minister of finance and agriculture, and the said Charles Edward Pooley being the president of the executive council of the said provce which libel was in the word lowing, that is to say: Then follows the article complained of.

And which libel was written in the

sense of imputing that the said John

Herbert Turner and Charles Edward

Pooley as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of the provin cial executive council, respectively, had each of them betrayed the public trust reposed in them, and that they as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of the executive council, respectively, are bribable and have received bribes, and that they did put and are prepared to put the plans and purposes and secret information of the said executive council and government of the said province, of which they are members.

ing such their official influence and official knowledge as such members of the said executive council to the promotion of companies of a questionable character (meaning in regard to honesty), for a valuable consideration, direct or indirect, to a large amount paid or given or to be paid or given by such companies to each of them, the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley, therefor, and that such their conduct constituted a corrupt bargain and sale of

at the disposal of a certain commercial

company or companies with which they

are connected, and that they are lend-

themselves and prostitution of such their public offices for their own private gain as men in high places (meaning their said places as such min eter of finance and agriculture and president of said executive council): and that the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley each of them as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of said executive council, and as such members of the legisla-

ture of the province of British Columbia, is dishonest and corruptly accepted or obtained or agreed to accept or attempted to obtain for himself money or valuable considerations on account of something done or omfitted, or to be afterwards done or omitted by him in his capacity as such member of the said legislature and of the said executive coun-

These are, therefore, to command you, in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear before men on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the police court in the city ball building, situate on the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, in said city of Victoria, or before such justice or justices of the peace for the said city of Victoria as shall then be there, to answer to the said charge and to be further dealt with according to

law. Herein fail not. Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, at the city of Victoria,

F. MACRAE, P.M. City of Victoria. The case against Senator Templeman was the first called. Mr. Gregory rose and stated that he appeared for Mr. Templeman, and the magistrate asked Mr. Templeman to stand up. The senator complied with the request, and the magistrate, without reading the informa-

tion, informed him that he was charged with publishing in the Times of the 11th December, 1897, a defamatory libel upon the Hon. J. H. Turner and the Hon.

C. E. Pooley. Mr. Cassidy stated that he appeared for the prosecution and said: ask my friend who appears for the defence whether he admits the publication of the Times newspaper by Mr. Temple-

Mr. Gregory-"I am not aware that Mr. Templeman does publish the Times. I would like to ask Mr. Cassidy under what section of the code the information is laid. Mr. Cassidy-"Oh, that is for my

Mr. Gregory-"Perhaps my friend does

not know himself. His honor ruled that Mr. Cassidy need ot specify further.

Mr. Gregory-"I would also like point out that they do not allege in the information that the so-called libel is false. I don't suppose my friend will admit that the statements complained of are true, and I would like to give him a chance to amend the information

Mr. Cassidy-"The libel is defined as enough, which my friend knows if he knows anything at all." Mr. Gregory-"Mr. Cassidy has alto-

gether missed the point I am trying to make. There is no allegation that the alleged libel is false in the information The gentlemen charged with criminal and unless he is willing to admit that libel were early in attendance, Messrs. the statements complained of are true it seems to me that he should be willing to accept the opportunity of amending companied by their counsel, occupying the information, which I am willing to allow him to do. I notice that in this letter, which he wrote to Senator Templeman, he states that his clients are coming into court to vindicate their public and private honor."

Mr. Cassidy-"I object to Mr. Gregory cading from the letter." Mr. Gregory-"I have never heard that counsel could not read from a letter written by the counsel of the opposing side. suppose you are going to put this let-

ter in as evidence? Mr. Cassidy-"Yes, I will put it in." Mr. Gregory-"It would not help Mr. Cassidy's clients to vindicate their honor unless they are anxious to prove that the libel is false, but if Mr. Cassidy i satisfied with the information. I, and presume his clients, are, although I don't see them in court here this morning. Are they coming?'

Mr. Cassidy—"The public, represented by this information, are my clients." Mr. Cassidy called his first witness. George Denny, sworn.
Witness-I reside at 128 Pandora

street: my occupation is that of a re (Examination by Mr. Cassidy.)

Q.—"Are you employed on the Victoria Daily Times?" A.—"Yes, sir." Q .- "Who is the manager of that Mr. Gregory objected to the question

that shape; he must first ask if he ows who the manager is. Mr. Cassidy-"I ask you, do you know the is the manager of that paper?" A.presume that Mr. Templeman is, but don't know of my own knowledge. I presume he is. I was not at the meeting of directors at which he was appoint-

Mr. Cassidy-"Do you mean Senator empleman?" A .- "Yes." Q .- "The defendant in this action?" Q .- "Who acts as manager?" A .- "Mr.

Templeman. Mr. Cassidy-"Do you know whether A .- "Yes, sir." Mr. Templeman writes articles for that paper or not?" Witness-"I don't know he does or not."

Mr. Cassidy-"Do you mean to say that ou don't know whether he writes any of the articles which appear in the Times The magistrate-"He had alor not?" eady said he doesn't know. (To the witness)-"Do you know?" Witness-I don't.' Mr. Cassidy—"Who does write the

rticles?" Mr. Gregory-"I object. He must specify such articles as have a bearing on

Mr Cassidy-"Who is the editor?" Mr. Gregory-"I must object to that. is necessary for him to find out first there is an editor."

Mr. Cassidy-"I must point out cur honor that I am obliged to adopt this process of examination; I am trying to find out who the man is who writes the articles, by a process of exclusion. His Honor-"You can ask him who is the editor." Witness-"I cannot say who was appointed as editor of the

Mr. Cassidy-"You mean to say this that you cannot say who the editor is ecause you don't know who was appointed by the directors to fill that posi-

Mr. Gregory objected on the ground that counsel had no right to attempt to discredit his own witness nor to subject him to cross-examination.

Mr. Cassidy-"The whole matter is for our worship to decide as to what is and worship understands that I am calling a way." witness from the camp of the other side and I am trying to get his evidence in the way that your worship knows." (To | Printing & Publishing Co., Ltd., Lty." the witness)-"Do you know who acts as editor of the Times?' Mr. Gregory-"My learned friend is

bound first of all to find out if there is Witness-"The Times office is in a rather peculiar position at present in regard to this point. We have an editorial writer: I don't know if you would call

Mr. Cassidy-"Yes, I presume the Times is in a rather peculiar position.' Mr. Gregory-"They are something like your clients." Mr. Cassidy-"You say there is an edi-Who else?" A.-"A orial writer.

couple of reporters." Q.-"Who are they?" Witness (not catching the last question)-A proof reader, a telegraph editor, and, I should think, there are about fifty newsboys.' Mr. Gregory-"And a hundred thousand readers of the Times.' Mr. Cassidy-"But the newsboys are

not on the staff, are they?" Witness-"You did not say on the staff. and as you said you wanted me to tell you all there were, I included them." Mr. Cassidy-"And there is a manag- ly I returned to the office." er?" A.—"Yes, a manager."
Q.—"Who is the editorial writer?" A.— "Mr. Graham writes the editorials."

Q.—"What is his first name?" A.— mark he had made Thomas Graham." Q .- "And what is the name of the proof reader?" A.—"Dr. Habbaway."
Q.—"Who is Mr. McIntyre?" A.—"A
bookkeeper and business manager."

Mr. Gregory (interposing)—"Do you want to know the names and business of all these people?

Mr. Cassidy-"And who is the head?" A.—"Mr. Templeman."
Q.—"Mr. McIntyre sometimes stands in behind the counter in the office, which is open for the public?" A,-"Some-

Q .- "And sometimes sells to the public the Times newspaper?" A.—"Yes."
(Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.) Q.—"The Times is published by the Times Printing & Publishing Company, is it not, Mr. Denhy?" A.—"Yes."
Q.—"Are you a shareholder in that company?" A.—"No."

Q .- "So you really don't know anything about the management of that company?" A .- "Not the least thing." Q.-"Your sole duties are those of a eporter?" A .- "Yes."

Hugh Robertson McIntyre called. After being sworn the witness testified hat he was a bookkeeper, residing in Victoria West. Examined by Mr. Cassidy.

Q .- "You heard the evidence given by

last witness, Mr. Denny?" A.-"No. did not hear it." Q.-"What is your position on Times?" A.-"A bookkeeper." Q .- "Anything else?" A .- "Collector

Q .- "Business manager?" A .- "No, Q.-"Who is the manager of the Times?" A .- "Mr. Templeman." Q.-"That is, he bosses the show?" Mr. Gregory—" No, no; if that is your way of expressing it, it is not necessary

to try and make the witness use the

same kind of expressions as you make use of.' Mr. Cassidy-"Well, what I meant is, is Mr. Templeman the head of all these

Mr. Gregory objected to leading questions, and Mr. Cassidy denied at first that the question was a leading one, but eventually admitted it was. His honor colled counsel to order and reminded them that they must ad-

dress the court. Mr. Cassidy-"Is there any other manager?" Witness-"No, not that I know of.' Mr. Cassidy-"I produce to you a copy

of the Times of December 11th instant. Was that published in the Times office?" Witness looked at the paper and hesi-Mr. Gregory-"Make sure of it; don't guess at it.'

Witness-"I believe that is a copy of Q.-"Have you any doubt about it? Witness (hesitating)-"No." Q .- "You stand behind the counter in office of the Pimes sometimes, do

you not?" A.—"Yes, sir." Q.-"And sell papers when they are asked for, sometimes?" A .- "I do, some-Q.-"Do you know if that issue of the limes was published on that day?" A .-"Yes; I don't know about that particular

Mr. Cassidy-"I mean that issue of the Times." A .- "I believe it was." "From the Times office?"

().-"Do you remember selling a conv f the paper to Mr. Davey, here?" A .-(Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.)
Q.—"Sometimes, Mr. McIntyre, you
collect for the Times?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"Then, sometimes you do not?"
.—"Sometimes I don't." Q.—"And sometimes you stand behind the counter?" A .- "Yes, sir." Q.-"And sometimes you do Q .- "And sometimes you sell papers?"

Q.—"And sometimes you do not?" A.-"Yes. sir." Mr. Gregory-"It seems a very peculiar

way of going about it, but by the way the questions were asked it would of course seem that sometimes you did and sometimes you did not, and I don't see that my friend gained by the information. (To witness)-"The paper you said in answer to my friend was published in the place where Mr. Templeman is manager. Are you sure that this paper was not published from the office where Mr. W. H. Ellis is manager?" A.-"I can't say about this particular paper." Q .- "You can't identify this particular opy of the paper?" A .- "No, sir."

ever writes leading articles for the pa-

Mr. Cassidy-"That depends upon the records; this statement is not evidence. We must have the best evidence of everything. Any paper can claim to be a fimited hability company, but there are certain rules and regulations which must be complied with and the records must what is not cross-examination. Your be taken to prove that in the regular

> Mr. Gregory-"The place where Mr. Templeman is manager is the Times' Mr. Cassidy-"You can't call any place limited liability company." Mr. Gregory-"It is the Times Print ing & Publishing Co., Ltd. Lty. is it Witness-"Yes."

> While the desposition was being read to the witness previous to his signing it, he said: "I cannot swear to the particular paper there without comparing it word for word with the copy on file in the office."

> Mr. Cassidy-"Put that down." Examination closed. Arthur Davey called. Witness (to the court)-"I am a law student and articled clerk in Mr. Cassidy's office, and reside on Burnside

avenue. Examined by Mr. Cassidy-"I produce and show to you a paper marked exhibit A. Do you know that?" Witness "Yes, I purchased that from Mr. Mc-Intyre, the last witness, in the Times office on December 13th, 1897." (Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.)

Q.-"How do you know that you pur chased this particular copy?" A,-"
made a note on it of identification direct Q -"Where is the note of indentifica-Witness took the paper offered to Mr. Gregory and showed the Mr. Gregory—"Oh, you only marked one piece of it?" A.—"Yes."

Q.-"You didn't mark both?" A.-

Q.- "So you can only swear to one piece

of it?" A .- "That is all I marked, but recognize the other piece."
Q.—"Has that paper been in your posession ever since you purchased -"No, not in my possession, but it has

Q.-"And other persons?" A.-"And other persons.' Q.—"And it is possible that the outside may have been changed?" A.—"Yes, it is possible, but the inside I will swear

Q.-"Did Mr. Cassidy have access to

At this point some diversion was caus ed by Mr. Gregory's objecting to Mr Cassidy walking around the table in the neighborhood of the chair where wit ness was sitting, and Mr. Gregory asked Mr. Cassidy if he was afraid he (Mr. Gregory) was going to eat the witness or do him some injury. Mr. Cassidy said he didn't suppose Mr. Gregory was intending to indulge in other than forensic violence. Mr. Cassidy resumed his seat at Mr. Gregory's request.
Mr. Gregory (to witness)—"Who in

structed you to purchase this paper?' A .- "Mr. Cassidy." Q .- "And when you returned to the office you handed it to him?"

'Yes. Q .- "Did he seem glad to get it?" A. "He didn't seem to show any extraordin-ary joy about it." Q.—"Any joy that was not extraordin-ary?" A.—"No; about his usual deary?"

Q .- "Was he downcast at all about Q.-"Did anyone accompany you when you went to purchase it?" Timess did not appear to understand the question, Tribness did whereupon Mr. Gregory said: 'Oh. I didn't mean a young lady. (Laughter.) I mean

think it necessary to call a policeman?" Q.—"Was Mr. Turner in the office when you returned?" A.—"No, not at that time. Q.-"Or Mr. Pooley?" A.-"No,

von didn't take anyone with you: didn't

They had been there several then. times. Q .- "About how many times?" "Oh, a number of times. Q .- "About how many?" A .- "Do you mean since I bought the paper?" Q .- "Yes; I suppose Mr. Turner was here a good deal?" A .- "Oh, yes; sev-

eral times." Q .- "Was there any meeting of the executive council in the office?" 'No, not that I know of.' Cross-examination closed. Mr. Cassidy-"That is my case.

The court asked Mr. Cassidy if he had anything to say. Mr. Cassidy—"No." The court asked Mr. Gregory of he had

anything to say.
Mr. Gregory—"I don't quite understand what Mr Cassidy means. The Court-"He has finished." Mr. Gregory-"What, is he not going call the men whose public and private conor he said he was going to vindi-

cate?'s The Court-"He has a right to call whatever evidence he likes."

Mr. Gregory—"Well, there is one thing at least he must surely have forgotten; there is this letter written by him to the defendant, which he said he was go-

ing to put in evidence." Mr. Cassidy-"Let me see the letter. Mr. Gregory (holding the letter)-"Will you put it in without reading it?" Mr.

The clerk entered upon the depositions, "letter from R. Cassidy to the defendant,-dated 16th December, 1897, put in as fendant to be used as evidence, but added that he had no objection to Mr.

Gregory putting it in. The Court-"Let me see the letter." Mr. Gregory then read the letter, as follows:

Victoria, B. C.,
December 16th, 1897.
William Templeman, Senator, Victoria, B. C.:

Sir:—The Hon. Mr. Turner and the Hon.
Mr. Pooley wish to know who is or are
personally responsible for the publication
in the Victoria Daily Times of January
in the Victoria Daily Times of January the 11th inst., of the article re-copied from the Province of the 11th inst., with the additional heading "Ministerial Decor Ducks," and certain subheading. They ask Q.—"Do you know if Mr. J. H. Turner with a view of commencing a prosecution of that liber on the publication of that liber on the public and in order to vindicate their public an

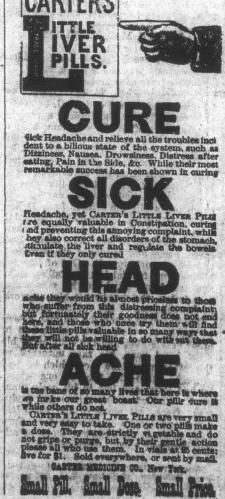
ever writes leading articles for the paper?" A.—"I don't know who writes them."

Q.—"Or whether Mr. Pooley, for instance, ever writes them?" A.—"I don't think so."

Q.—"Have you the least idea who does write them?" A.—"No, sir."

Q.—"The Times is printed in the building occupied by the Times Printing & Publishing Company, Ltd., Lty., is it not?"

Mr. Cassidy—"That depends upon the



the responsibility, and whether sothers connected with the proprietorship of the Times are ready to share it with you. The Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company has falled to send to the Registrar-General of Public Companies a copy of a register containing the names of its directors and managers as required by secs. 89 and 160 (b) of the Companies Act, 1897. I must ask an immediate reply. Yours obediently.

Mr. Cassidy-"On second thought I have decided that the letter is not evidence and could not be put in. Nothing that I could say in a letter of that kind could affect the matter at all." Mr. Gregory-"But you have already

Mr. Cassidy-"I say that the letter is not evidence. The gist of that letter is pretend to say that he thinks his clients this, that Messrs. Turner and Pooley, are going to take off their coats and athaving decided to prosecute, wished to know whether Mr. Templeman was willing to declare himself or whether he wished to shelter himself under the impersonality of a limited hability com pany. It is not evidence, and it would be very wrong for me to make any admissions of any kind.'

Mr. Gregory-The letter has been put in by Mr. Cassidy already. Mr. Cassidy repeated his determination not to put the letter in, on the grounds that it was not admissible as evidence. The Court-Then, Mr. Cassidy, you

do not wish it put in? Mr. Cassidy-

Mr. Gregory-But he said he would put it in, and did. The Court-Yes, I think, if I remem-

ber rightly. Mr. Cassidy, you said you were going to put it in as evidence. Mr. Cassidy-I did, but I have thought t over again; I rashly and inadvertently used the words, and now I regret it. Mr. Gregory-Well, I still maintain that the letter had been put in, but if Mr. Cassidy throws himself upon the mercy of the court and upon my generosity he may possibly be able to get it

The court then ordered that on the depositions should be entered: "Mr. Cassidy now states that he did not intend the letter to be put in and the court allows him to withdraw it, to which Mr. Gregory objects on the grounds that it is already in evidence and has been read

at the request of the court." Mr. Gregory asked that the letter might be marked, so that he might identify it. and this was done. The court asked Mr. Cassidy if he had anything to say. Mr. Cassidy-Nothing, your honor, to ask for a committal. The court then

called upon Mr. Gregory. Mr. Gregory-I would again point out that my learned friend has not alleged that the statements of which he complains are false, and as he may have made another mistake in this respect, as he did in the letter. I want to give him another chance to amend the informa-

Mr. Cassidy-I have no wish to make any amendment. Everyone knows the meaning which is applied to the words: publishing a deflamatory libel," and those are the words which are used in the information and a reference to the code will show my friend that what I claim is correct.

Mr. Gregory-I see that Mr. Cassidy still in the dark. There are two ofences; one of publishing a defamatory libel, and the other publishing a defamatory libel, knowing it to be false, the latter of which I presume hewishes to charge make against any other portion, almy client with. If he succeeds in convicting Mr. Templeman of publishing a per containing the whole article." The defamatory libel, knowing the same to be portion omitted is as follows:
fulse, under section 301 of the code, he "letter from R. Cassidy to the defendant, dated 16th December, 1897, put in as evidence, exhibit B." Mr. Cassidy then took the letter from the clerk and after pook the letter from the clerk and after cause he said the letter was not evidence and that it would be absurd to expect a letter written by him to the desideration he would charge the other, of Mr. Turner is hardly flattering.

and the more serious offence.

Mr. Cassidy—The words "defamatory libel" include the charge of its falsity;

creter to accept him as an honest man we must also accept him as a weak tool lacking in perception and common sense, and the ability to make and take a firm stand.

Mr. Gregory—You will find a form of indictment for false defamatory libel at page 300, Taschereau's Criminal Code.
Mr. Cassidy examined the reference given to him by Mr. Gregory and found it as stated.
Mr. Gregory proceeded to address the court as follows:

court as follows: der, page 27, where it is stated that every subject has a right to comment on those acts of public men which concern him as a subject of the realm, if he does not make his commentary a cloak for malice and slander. (6 M. & W.108) Also those who fill a public position must not be too thin-skinned in reference to comments made upon them. It would often happen that observations would be made upon public men which they knew from the bottom of their headts were undecented as a right to comment matter, and he thinks that the sharp close such that some naughty B columbians have got hold of the edit are and inspired the stirring comments is his "explanation" intended for a jest? Is it possible that this man where the public ignominy that has been housed in the public ignominy that has been the public ignominy that has been in upon him? It is quite true, as Mr. The public is a public man has the right of the cload of the color of the edit of the fact that some naughty B color matter, and he thinks that the sharp close to the fact that some naughty B color matter, and he thinks that the sharp close to the fact that some naughty B can always to the fact that some naughty B can are and inspired the stirring comments is a public man which is his "explanation" intended for a jest? Is it possible that this man where the public ignominy that has been housed as a public man and in the London Times and Trutton the London Times and Irrutton the London Times and Irrutton the London Times and Irrutton the fact that some naughty B columbians have got hold of the edit and inspired the stirring comments is a literature of the London Times and Trutton the London Times and Trutton the London Times and Trutton the London Times and Irrutton the Lo headts were undeserved and unjust, yet they must bear with them and submit to the misunderstanding for a time, because all knew that the criticism of the press was the best security for the press was the best security for the proper discharge of public duties.' (Per Cockburn, C.J., in Seymour vs. Butterworth, 3 F. & F. 376, 377 and other cases. See also Odgers at pages 433 and 444.) 'Not every publication which woud be held a libel in a civil case can be made the foundation of criminal proceedings. Hawkins in a passage cited apparently with approval by the court in Regina vs. Labouchere, 12, Q.B.D., at page 322, puts the whole criminality of libels on private persons as distinguished from the civil liability of those who pubpress was the best security for the propage 822, puts the whole criminality of libels on private persons as distinguished from the civil liability of those who publish them on the tendency to disturb the public peace. He says (I. Hawk, P.C., c. 28, s. 3.) The court will not grant this extraordinary remedy (a criminal information) nor should a grand jury find an indictment unless the offence be of such signal enormity that it may reasonably be construed to have a tendency to disturb the peace and harmony of the community. In such a case the public are justly placed in the character of an offended prosecutor to vindicate the common right of all, though violated only in the person of an individual. And in a subsequent case Lord Coleridge, L.C.J., told the jury that the principles on which such prosecution should be allowed had been laid down by himself as the mouthplece of a strong court in a recent case (the

Queen vs. Labouchere) in which he had cited the opinions of great judges effect.' A criminal this prosecuti ought not to be instituted unless the of fence be such as can be reasonably construed as calculated to disturb the peace of the community. In such a case the public prosecutor has to protect the com munity in the person of an individual But private character should be vindi cated in an action for libel, and an in dictment for libel is only justified when it affects the public, as an attempt to disturb the public peace.' (Wood Cox, 4 Times, L.R., at page 654.)

There has been no danger to the public here. My learned friend does not pretend to say that he thinks his clients tack Mr. Templeman, the office boy and all the Province staff. The alleged libe was published on the 11th of Decem ber: it is now the 21st inst., and the peace has not been disturbed. If the attorney-general wished to institute proceedings he would apply to the court for an information, and the practice has been to withhold the information unless there is danger of a breach of the peace (Se Taschereau, p. 304, citing R. vs. Biggs, 2 Man. L.R. 18.) Where there is foundation for a libel, though it falls short of justification, an information will not be granted. "Then there is another objection which

I submit is insuperable against my client being committed for trial, and that is that he must be connected with the publication of it, which has not been done in this case. (See Taschereau page 304, citing 303, citing R. vs. Sel. lars, 6. L.N., 197.) 'It must be proved upon in indictment against the proprietor of a newspaper that the defendant was proprietor or publisher of the journal at the time of the publication of the libel. That he is such at the time of the trial is not sufficient.' My learned friend has entirely failed t show that Mr. Templeman is the pro prietor or publisher of the Times, and he has only doubtfully established that he is the manager to-day. There is no one tittle of evidence to show that he had any connection with the paper of the 11th inst. Nor has it been shown that Mr. Templeman wrote or kno anything of the libel. He is not responsible and cannot be presumed to be responsible under Section 297 of the Code because he has not been shown to b the proprietor. On the contrary Mr. Cassidy's own letter and two of his own witnesses have stated that the Times is published by a limited liability company This objection was held to be fatal in the case of Attorney-General vs. Lux ten, a newspaper report of which Mr Martin has just handed to me." (Mr. Gregory read it.) "Now as to the libel itself. I contend that this libel-Mr. Cassidy (interrupting)-I would

Mr. Gregory (continuing): "I would like to draw your atttention to the fact that the prosecution have not been either fair or honest. They have cut the article of which they complain in two, and charge my client with only a portion of it, omitting altogether that portion which could be taken as a miti gation of any charge they might have to though they have put in evidence the pa-

there is no such thing as an indictment under the code as charging a libel to be false.

Mr. Gregory—You will find a form of indictment for false defamatory libel at midictment for false defamatory libel at many to make an make a min the attent of the control of the country paid a tax upon the put was the act of an honest man.

"My learned friend says that he appears here on behalf of the public—a more absurd position has never been taken in this or any other court. His letter, already referred to, shows he is acting in the interests of Messrs. Turner and Pooley ony; proceedings in a criminal court are never taken unless there is a danger of a breach of the peace. See Odgers on Libel and Slander, page 27, where it is stated that That Extraordinary Interview.

The British Investor Alarmed.

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of a portion of the alleged libe out that there was nothing d about it, and proceeded. tions 292 and 293 of the Code commits an offence by publishing famatory matter which he on r grounds believes to be true. s relevant to any subject of terest, the public discussion is for the public benefit, nor b ing fair comments upon the n duct of a person who takes pa lic affairs. If this matter of is not fair comment and then nothing is. This article of the fact that Messrs. Tu Pooley have associated themse a speculative company in Lond has advertised itself through ength and breadth of Great Br the colonies, and the prospectus I hold in my hand. It of full page in the Daily Telegrap same in the Times, and Mr. name appears as the prime n British Columbia, (which h not once, but many times, and ey as the president of the council of the colony of Britis bia. It states that to the ca vestor the first and only desid that members of the board w ly control the operations of t should comprise men of influ high official standing. The d and advisory boards of this co which includes the prime mi British Columbia has been sp elected to fill these conditions pany has been formed for the of acquiring lands, timber, other rights and concessions such a board of directors as the corporation will possess for early and reliable information best sources of investment, t the corporation's business sho believed, prove a considerable profit.' Who grants these right ish Columbia? Why, Mr. Tu

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Mr. Cassidy. Counsel here indulged in b dissension, and Mr. Gregory "I am endeavoring to show the ticle is fair comment upon th these public men, and in doin quite justified in showing what ing financial papers of Lon financia centre of the world, them." Mr. Gregory read the artic

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Dueen vs. Labouchere) in which he had cited the opinions of great judges to this effect.' A criminal prosecution ought not to be instituted unless the offence be such as can be reasonably construed as calculated to disturb the peace of the community. In such a case the public prosecutor has to protect the community in the person of an individual But private character should be vindicated in an action for libel, and an inlictment for libel is only justified when it affects the public, as an attempt to disturb the public peace. (Wood vs. Cox. 4 Times, L.R., at page 654.)

"There has been no danger to the public here. My learned friend does not pretend to say that he thinks his clients are going to take off their coats and attack Mr. Templeman, the office boy and all the Province staff. The alleged libel was published on the 11th of December; it is now the 21st inst., and the peace has not been disturbed. If the attorney-general wished to institute proceedings he would apply to the court for an information, and the practice has een to withhold the information unless there is danger of a breach of the peace. (Se Taschereau, p. 304, citing R. vs. Biggs, 2 Man. L.R. 18.) Where there is coundation for a libel, though it falls short of justification, an information will not be granted.'

"Then there is another objection which submit is insuperable against my client being committed for trial, and that is that he must be connected with the publication of it, which has not been lone in this case. (See Taschereau, page 304, citing 303, citing R. vs. Sellars, 6. L.N., 137.) 'It must be proved upon an indictment against the rietor of a newspaper that the defendant was proprietor or publisher of the ournal at the time of the publication of the libel. That he is such at the me of the trial is not sufficient.' My learned friend has entirely failed to show that Mr. Templeman is the proprietor or publisher of the Times and ne has only doubtfully established that ne is the manager to-day. There is not ne tittle of evidence to show that he ad any connection with the paper on the 11th inst. Nor has it been shown that Mr. Templeman wrote or knew anything of the libel. He is not responible and cannot be presumed to be reponsible under Section 297 of the Code, ecause he has not been shown to be he proprietor. On the contrary Mr assidy's own letter and two of his own vitnesses have stated that the Times is ublished by a limited liability company. This objection was held to be fatal in the case of Attorney-General vs. Luxen, a newspaper report of which Mr. Martin has just handed to me." (Mr. Gregory read it.) "Now as to the libel I contend that this libel-Mr. Cassidy (interrupting)-I would

Mr. Gregory (continuing): "I would ike to draw your atttention to the fact that the prosecution have not een either fair or honest. They have eut the article of which they complain in two, and charge my client with only a ortion of it, omitting altogether that portion which could be taken as a mitigation of any charge they might have to make against any other portion, although they have put in evidence the paper containing the whole article." The portion omitted is as follows:

The Hon. J. H. Turner is spoken of perlly as being an honest man. His apol-se excuse his shortcomings in the mat-of company promoting on the ground he is led into these schemes by his ds. He is easy-going and good natured plunges rashiy ahead without much ght when he is urged to do so by those hom he puts confidence. This pleane he puts confidence. This ple Turner is hardly flattering. t also accept him as a weak tool lack-in perception and common sense, and ability to make and take a firm stand. * In passing it may be asked if his tion in telegraphing that the coal mines the country paid a tax upon their outtwas the act of an honest man. If it is, then honesty has taken on a new raining of late years. But whatever may said about Mr. Turner, nobody suggests ra moment that Mr. Pooley is a weak iter. Mr. Pooley is—well, Mr. Pooley is. Pooley. His friends cannot lead him to company promoting out of sheer good cllowship. Yet Mr. Pooley is permitted retain his place in the cabinet.

But Mr. Turner himself does not agree ith his friendly apologists in his estimate himself as we find it sketched in the traordinary interview in Sunday's Colist. There Mr. Turner poses as a rewd, far-sighted man of affairs who has one thoroughly into the prospects of the hing companies with which he has allowhis name to be connected and has satisher English papers of high character are
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rong in what he has done and has no
eling of shame, no sense of disgrace over
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oon him? It is quite true, as Mr. Turner
ys, that a public man has the right to
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o right to trade upon his official position
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ares of mining companies or to accept
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The of the points which Mr. Turner kies in his extraordinary interview is to in permitting his name to be used the promotion of mining companies his object has been to get British capital of the country. Like the admiral in the idea opera, he never thought of thinking himself at all. If we are to accept this a at its face value, Mr. Turner himself at admirt that he has failed signally in attainment of his object, for denunchatof his action on the part of the British press has been so general that it cannot have the effect of making British instors look with suspicion on any comply which waves the ministerial names fit. Indeed, several of the London parts have gone so far as to warn their ft. Indeed, several of the London pa s have gone so far as to warn their ders explicitly against having anythin do with these companies. Instead of caders explicitly against having anything of do with these companies. Instead of beiping the influx of British capital, then, dr. Turner has hindered it. His willingless to sacrifice himself by lending his lease to any sort of company with a gift interprise attachment in the matter of hares has scared the British investor of he field. He may not be familiar with all he details, but he thinks with his ravorite tewspaper that there is something wrong comewhere and accordingly he fights shy. Nor can we wonder at his doing so. British columbians would do the same thing if he situation were reversed. Mr. Turner has only himself to blame if people look upon him with distrust; he has only himself to blame if the use of his name and that of Mr. Pooley, instead of strengthening the companies it is intended to bolster up, has weakened them. Greed a quite as apt to over-reach itself as ambitton.

The Mask Torn Off. The Province feels sorry for Mr. Turner. He is an old man. His head has been rowned with snowy hairs and his life with honors. Out of regard for him it could wish to tear the pages of this chapter of his life out of the book and leave nothing his life out of the book and leave nothing his life out of the book and leave nothing his life out of the book and leave nothing his life out of the boundary of the record for the human eye to see but the record for the human eye to see but the record for the unsualitied business reputation and of his unsualitied business reputation and of his personal integrity. But unfortunately his personal integrity. But unfortunately his personal integrity upon the public searchlight of publicity upon the public searchlight of the publicity of the grant of the colonist interview, one finds lines of the shame hard to who finds the burden of his shame hard to bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too bear. It is pathetic, but the wretched excuse that the criticisms in the vertched excuse that the criticisms in the wretched excuse that the criticisms in the wretched excuse that the criticisms in the wretched excuse that the criticisms in the companies were inspired by his political enemies in British Columbia. How this could be the case when the comments in the London papers appearance of the prospectus and before anyone in this part of the world, with the exception of Mr. Turner think that his political opponents in British Columbia have the qualitities which clairvoyants and hypnotists claim, enabling them to find out what is going on in other parts of the world at any moment and direct the actions of others to their own in the pathetic pathet trary, it is the usual practice for public men in this country to resign their directorships even in old-established concerns when they take office. Until recently, no doubt, there was a certain larity in this respect, and one or two men of high position have bitterly rued their imprudence in neglecting to withdraw from their directorships on becoming officials of the crown. But the feeling and practice in the matter have much improved of late years it is most desirable that the members of the colonial governments should all usatishin from putting themselves in positions where their conduct will be open to suspite the contains the very import of sace a conflict of duty."

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Mr. Gregory, continuing: "Note what the Times says: 'We really do not know rashly place himself in such a situation.' And again: 'No member of the home government would now dare, even if he wished to join the board of a new industrial company,' and this is what the London Times thinks of the identical holding anything shady in company pro- obtuse to fail to note.

Mr. Cassidy-I object, I object. Mr. Gregory-Don't you want to hear it, Mr. Cassidy? Mr. Turner in his interview with the Colonist reporter says he courts the fullest enquiry.

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"We recently thought it necessary to raise a protest against the too frequent acceptance by officials occupying high governmental positions in the colonies of directorships on the boards of local industrial or commercial undertakings. The objections to the practice are tolerably obvious. In the first place there is no doubt that the presence of a gentleman who is a member of the government of a colony on the board of a company carrying on operations within its territories or sphere of influence is certain to induce some people to suppose that the government is in some way responsible for the undertaking. Even persons who are not deceived in this manner are likely to think that the way of a company with such "influential" backing is likely to be made smooth in various modes which need not be specified. Now neither of these ideas ought to be encouraged at all. As to the first it might be argued that only very slily persons could entertain it; but the second is just the kind of notion to attract a considerable class of speculative investors, including not a few "clever" people to whom the possession of occult influence appears to be the chief road to success. In either case the expectations formed cannot or at any rate ought not to be gratified. The misleading influence of the names of colonial officials of investors is, however, only one of the evils which result from their presence on local company boards. It has a distinct tendency to injure the position of the men who accept these posts. They are deliberately placing themselves in a situation where their actions will inevitably be suspected. Questions may easily arise in which the premier of a colony who had accepted a seat on the "advisory coars" of a commercial company would find a divided duty, and, whatever course he might adopt, he could not escape attack. We really do not know which alternative would be more disagreeable to a man of honor who had rashly placed himself in such a situation—to sacrif

of a portion of the alleged libel pointing out that there was nothing defamatory about it, and proceeded. "Under Sections 292 and 293 of the Code, no one A long discussion here followed in which the magistrate, Mr. Gregory and Mr. Cassidy took part, as to whether the mmits an offence by publishing any dematter was fair comment, and whether further extracts from Engish papers his unwise action. He again makes the should be read, which resulted in the assertion that he has only done what famatory matter which he on reasonable grounds believes to be true, and which magistrate saying that he did not want s relevant to any subject of public into hear what Labouchere said, and ruled terest, the public discussion of which for the public benefit, nor by publishthat Mr. Gregory could not read the ner that it is a rare thing for men holdng fair comments upon the public concomments of Truth, London Money Mar- ing office as ministers of the Crown to ket Review, the Statist, Pall Mall Gaduct of a person who takes part in pubzette, London Financier and other Eng- stock companies, even of those formed has announced that he will no longer lic affairs. If this matter complained of is not fair comment and discussion lish papers and the Colonist of Decemthen nothing is. This article arises out ber 5th containing Mr. Turner's interf the fact that Messrs. Turner and ; view and the Colonist editorial upon the Pooley have associated themselves with matter.

Mr. Gregory quoted Odgers on Libel and Slander to show that the defendant could require the plaintiff to put in as part of his case the whole article and any documents referred to, but without

the colonies, and the prospectus of which I hold in my hand, It occupies a full page in the Daily Telegraph and the effect. same in the Times, and Mr. Turner's Continuing, Mr. Gregory said he ame appears as the prime minister of would not go through the whole article British Columbia, (which he is not) which it was alleged was libellous, as there was positively no occasion for it, as panies advantages in regard to the fornot once, but many times, and Mr. Pooley as the president of the executive the prosecution had entirely failed to warding of their schemes, which could council of the colony of British Colummake out a case. It had not been shown not be obtained except from the fact that the article was a libel; that it was that among their directors was to be bia. It states that to the cautious investor the first and only desideratum is published by Mr. Templeman; that Mr. found a gentleman in the possession of that members of the board who active- Templeman had any connection with the all the special information as to the gov-Times at the time of its, publication; ernment's policy which the head of that v control the operations of the concern should comprise men of influence and that he inspired or knew of its publica- government would have. When a proshigh official standing. The directorate tion; that he was at the time of its pubpectus openly states that such a fact advisory boards of this corporation, lication or now the proprietor of the gives a company "unique advantages" and advisory boards of this corporation, lication or now the proprietor of the paper, and that it would be just as rea- as one of these prospectuses did-what which includes the prime minister of sonable to commit him (Mr. Gregory) as other conclusion can people draw but elected to fill these conditions. The comit would be to send his client up for pany has been formed for the purpose trial, and he referred to the case of Re-British Columbia has been specially sepany has been formed for the purpose of acquiring lands, timber, etc., and other rights and concessions in British Columbia, With the opportunities which der, and reported in 4, Q.B.D., 42, a position as Mr. Turner was by the such a board of directors as that of this which holds that the proprietor of a corporation will possess for obtaining newspaper is no longer criminally liable early and reliable information as to the for a libel which has appeared in it government, of which he is the head, best sources of investment, this part of without his knowledge or consent mere- had been degraded by it, and that was the corporation's business should, it is ly because he has given the editor a genpelieved, prove a considerable source of eral authority to insert what he thinks statement in the prospectus, and anprofit.' Who grants these rights in Brit- fit therein, and also in the case of R. nouncing the severance of his connecish Columbia? Why, Mr. Turner and v. Allison, et al., 16 Cox C.C., 559, tion with the company. Mr. Turner did holding that the directors of a printing not do that, but contented himself with Mr. Gregory declined to call any witliberties which they were not authorised company are not criminally liable, etc. Mr. Gregory-Is it getting too painnesses, the usual formal questions were to take," and that he "could not be held asked and the magistrate bound Mr. Mr. Cassidy-It would take up too Templeman over to appear at the first court of competent jurisdiction and stand | Mr. Turner value his name so little as much time to go into these matters in the police court, and I think Your Worhis trial, etc., himself in the sum of \$500 and a surety in like amount, Mr. Mr. Gregory-You chose the court, George Riley, who was in court, immediately volunteered as surety, and was ac- government? Does he think so lightly Counsel here indulged in banter and

cepted. This decision was a total surprise to dissension, and Mr. Gregory continued: that with the exception of the few lines be hawked about in the capital of the read by Mr. Gregory the alleged libellous article was never once read—yet the magistrate immediately decided that it desire to foist upon the public? We canwas a libel, and never referred to any

A Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Towle. of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be. "Since I've had your former interview he stared distinctly Cough Remedy, baby has been threat- that he already had proof of the correctened with croup ever so many times, but would give him a dose of the remedy apology he is careful not to repeat that and it prevented his having it every time." same. Sold by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and

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(New Westminster Columbian.) Revelstoke dispatch of yesterday contains a letter from J. M. Kellie, M. agreeable to a man of honor who has been consulted in the appointment. He been consulted in the appointment of J. flicker," Kellie, who swallowed the par-liament buildings and other government enormities without turning a hair, "recompany with which these gentlemen nouncing" the Turner government, behave associated themselves, and on the cause he was not consulted with regard advisory board of which they are the to the appointment of a gold commissionmen of 'high official standing.' Now, let er is a distinctly humorous one. The me read you what London Truth of thing is too broadly significant an illus-Nov. 4th says, and this is the paper of tration (of which we have had not a few which the Colonist on the 14th Novemin the last twelve months or so) of "rats other people's? Is he respected by the ber, 1897, says 'is not in the habit of up- leaving the sinking ship," for the most

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.) The Premier of British Columbia has again considered it necessary to attempt to apologise for his prominent he courts the fullest enquiry.

His Honor—I do not wish to hear anytuses of which the name of Mr. Turner,

put forward as the most plausible ground for asking the public in London Mr. Gregory—That is the point I am to subscribe for shares. The only real dealing with. I wish to show that the be an article in the Toronto Globe, condenining Mr. Turner's indiscreet conduct in regard to these companies, in as strong terms as the most reputable

newspapers in London had used. The Premier, on the present occasion adduces no new facts in justification for "publicmen in all parts of the world" do. No one knows better than Mr. Tur venture to become promoters of joint for the purpose of carrying out enterprises of a conservative and ordinary character, and that when any of them ever allowed himself to be associated with such speculative schemes as those with which Mr. Turner's name has been connected, and in such a scandalous manner as to leave no other view possible than Mr. Turner's position as Premier was to be used to give these com-

publication of such a statement, and who realised the manner in which the responsible for any use of his name which might be made in London." Does

such language implies? Does he fail so completely to understand the responsi-bilities which attach to the head of a of the dignity of the crown, and of the good name of the people under his adeverybody in court, and it was noted ministration that one or the other may empire as part and parcel of the doubtnot believe that Mr. Turner assents to of the cases cited by Mr. Gregory, or this, yet nothing else can be construed made even the slightest answer to them. from his own statements, and his failure to take prompt steps to repudiate the disreputable actions of these promoters. We are sorry to find Mr. Turner again

insinuating that these adverse criticisms of the public press are instigated by political opponents in this province. In his ness of that statement. In this second statement deliberately, but seeks to con-Hundreds of mothers say the vey a similar impression. No one knows better than Mr. Turner that the charge is entirely without foundation; that the facts of the case make it impossible that it could be true, as no one here knew it could be true, as no one anything about Mr. Turner's culpable conduct, until the details of these pros-pectuses and the criticisms of the British press reached here by the same mail. Now it is the Toronto Globe which the opposition in this province has been able induce to criticise Mr. Turner's actions. Doubtless, the Globe will be prompt to repudiate any such thing. But does not Mr. Turner realise that he is only increasing his difficulties by such absurd suggestions? He is making himself a laughing stock among business men and intelligent people. He is giving a further insight into that weakness of character which has made him so incapable as a statesman; which has alowed his administration to drift along. the sport of every adventurer or schemer,

> handed over to him by his predecessors, to such a state of weakness that it will go to pieces as scon as it encounters the current of popular opinion at the polls. (Kootenay Mail.) The announcement of the appointment of John Drinkwater Sibbald to the office of gold commissioner for North Kootenay was received, when it appeared exclusively in the Herald (now the Turnerite organ), with a howl of derision by those opposed to the Turnergovernment, with disgust by its friends, and deep disappointment by a very

and brought the strong government,

tion puzzles most people, when loyal, clever and efficient officers there are who have been entirely overlooked. Petitions have been sent out for them and numerously signed, and they have had several good recommendations offered. The petitions were ignored, the recommendations pigeon-holed, their past services are slighted, their capabilties unconsidered, their loyalty unrewarded contains the very important piece of in-formation to a waiting world that the current issue of the Herald of that town sense of justice; a government which P.P., renouncing his support of the Turn- looks upon such an opportunity as this, which alternative would be more dis- er government, owing to not having as one only for political expediency and

patronage. * * * * Coming to the personaloffers to resign his seat, the dispatch ity of the appointment, the only posadds, if his course is not approved by sible excuse the government could urge his supporters. The idea of "let 'er for not recognizing their officers or for not recognizing their officers or friends would be that they had got a man who was eminently successful, respected, and the choice of the people generally; then some excuse might be found. But does John D. Sibbald fill these requisites. Has he been so successful in managing his own affairs as to inspire confidence in his handling of whole community, by business men, free miners, citizens? Has his past career in this community been such as to command respect and admiration? Is he the choice generally of the pubic, and do they express their approval of his ap-

The Mail regrets to say that none of the conditions are fulfilled in John Drinkwater Sibbald. He has not been successful; he is not generally respected; and he is not by any means the choice of the people. It cannot agree with its contemporary in endorsing the nomination, and from every point of view treated holds that he is not entitled to th

DISINTEGRATION

The disintegration of the ranks of the supporters of the government in the provincial legislature is proceeding very rapidly. As will be seen by a report from Revelstoke, among the items of provincial news, Mr. Kellie, M.P.P. for the North Riding of West Kootenay, continue to support the government. Some months ago, the speaker of the have done so, it has generally called house, Hon. D. W. Higgins, publicly forth expressions of regret from many stated that he could not longer support quarters. But we venture to say that the administration, and it is probable no premier in the British Empire has that he will give tangible proof of his that he will give tangible proof of his condemnation of its reckless and unwise methods by resigning the high office and emoluments which he now enjoys and taking his seat in the body of the house. It is no secret that the constituents of two other members have intimated to them that they will no longer accord their support to them unless they oppose the government. On at least three questions of prime importance the government is also at variance with a majority of its present supporters in the house. It therefore becomes a question whether the present session may not witness the defeat of a government which has steadily sunk in public estimation and by its imbecility and gross stupidity alienated a number of those who have hitherto been found in the ranks of its adherents in the legislature. No one conversant with the trend of public opinion in the province preship will pass safely through the troublous seas of a general election. It now begins to look that its timbers are so rotten that they will not hold together through the sessional voyage. Without a course of policy clearly indicated by a ministerial chart; with the dry rot permeating every plank of its departmental frame; with its officers concerned more for their personal comfort than for the safe and skilful navigation of the ship, and a crew mutinous and discouraged at the incompetence of those in command, it will be perhaps just as well if the old craft should disappear amidst the waves of popular disapprobation which are already breaking over it than be patched up for new venture over the wider ocean which the provincial government ship of

THE SOOKE SCHOOLS.

The pupils of the East Sooke and

the future will soon have to roam.-Van-

Christmas Tree Provided For the Scholars on Friday Last.

couver News-Advertiser.

Sooke public schools, together with their parents and friends to the number of one hundred assembled at the latter school on the evening of the 17th of December, where a handsome Christmas tree, laden with pretty and useful presents was provided by Santa Claus and his friends for the children of both schools. Owing to its being a week earlier than the usual time for Santa Claus to be around, he did not put in an appearance till somewhat late in the evening, and then not as usual with reindeer and sleigh, but on horseback, but during the interval of waiting some kind friends delighted the audience with songs, recitations and instrumental music. Among the contributions were a song by Mr. D. Fraser, recitation by Mr. J. Brandon, song by Mr. Wm. Cartwright, song by Mr. Donald Barney, a reading by Rev. Mr. Thomson, instrumental music by Mr. Cartwright, assisted by James Anderson and L. Cartwright, of Salt Spring Island, with their guitars, a recitation by little Miss Annie Shields and song by Master Eddie Shields. Refreshments were served by the ladies during the evening. Upon the arrival of Santa Claus the little ones fairly jumped with joy. There being so many good things upon the tree he was compelled to ask the assistance of three young ladies, Miss S. Cartwright, Miss E. Throup and Miss Kate Chartres to help in the distribution. After the tree had been stripped it was ascertained that nearly every one present, old or young had not been forgotten. Trustee Robinson in a few well chosen remarks to the children called for three cheers for Santa Claus and those friends who assisted in making the entertainment a success. Rev. Mr. Thomson also gav some kind and useful advice to the children, which brought one of the most suc cessful gatherings held in this district to a close, every one going home to bear in mind sweet remembrances of the 17th targe number of the people generally. in mind sweet remains the why this man should get the posi- December, 1897.



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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its date I intend to make application to the made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, acquire, equip, operate and maintain a railway of either standard or narrow gauge by either steam, electricity or any other motive power for the conveyance of passengers, freight and merchandise from a point at or near Pyramid Harbor on Chilcat Inlet at the head of Lynn Canal in the Province of British Columbia, thence up the Chilcat river to Chilcat summit, thence in a northerly direction by the most feasible route to a point at or near Five Finger rapids on the Lewis river, thence to a point at or near Fort Selkirk in the Northwest Territories; and with power to construct, equip. operate and maintain branch lines, and in connection therewith and with the other objects of the company all necessary roads, elevators and warehouses, and to build, equip, charter, navigate, control, operate and maintain steam and other passenger, freight and ferry steamers and vessels upon the rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent to the line of said railway or in connection therewith or with the other operations and works of the company, and to carry on a general express business, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines; and with power to acquire and build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of compressing air or generating electricity for lighting, heating and motor purposes; and to utilize next session for an act to incorporate a any surplus electricity or other power generated by the company's works and not required by the company for operating its railway or other works. And with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aid from any government, municipality or other persons or body corporate; and to make traffic and other arrangements and connections with other railways or steamboat companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in connection with the construction of such railway or other works of the company and in advance of the same or otherwise, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using the same or any other roads of the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway, and from all persons using the said railway, vessels or ferries of the company, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels; and with power to buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, wares, imple-

with power to buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, wares, imple-ments, provisions, chattels and merchandises to establish and maintain stores and trading posts, and to carry on any other business which may be capable of being carried on in connection with the company's other works; and with power to carry on in all its branches a mining, milling and smelting business and to exercise mining rights

ing business and to exercise mining rights and powers, and to erect or acquire all mills and other machinery or contrivances necessary for the purposes, including the erection of saw mills and smelters; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary or conductive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

MCARTHY, OSLER, HOSKIN & CREELMAN,

Solicitors for the Applicants. point of commencement. MAN, Solicitors for the Applicants. Toronto, 1st December, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session by the Central Canada Loan and Savings Company of Ontario for an act to enable the said company to carry on business anywhere in the Dominion of Canada and to consolidate, define and declare its Habilities, obligations and powers.

E. T. MALONE,

Solicitor for Applicants.

Dated at Toronto, Dec. 1st, 1897. Dated at Toronto, Dec. 1st, 1897.

TAKE NOTICE that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, on behalf of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited, for an act conferring on the company the following powers, in addition to those now possessed by them: To purchase or otherwise acquire the whole or any of the property and rights possessed by any rallway company incorporated by a charter or charters from the Legislative Assembly of the Povince of British Columbia, and to rarry out and perform the works specified in such charter or charters, and to caulp, work, maintain, improve and operate the said rallways, and to carry on the business of telegraph and telephone companies, and to carry on the business of carriers by land or water, warehousemen and forwarding agents.

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Notice is hereby given that 60 days after Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres (more or less) of land situated on the northeastern shore of Alice Arm. Coast district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked R. C., being the southwest corner; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to post marked N. W.; thence south following shore line to point of com-

Dated this 10th day of October, 1897.
ROBERT CUNNINGHAM.
Alice Arm, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres (more or less) of land on the northeastern bank of Alice Arm, Coast dis trict, and described as follows: Commenc ing at a post marked G. C., being the southwest corner; thence east 40 chains; chains to post marked N. W.; thence south following the windings of shore line to

GEORGE CUNNINGHAM. NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situate in Cassiar district, viz: Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of E. M. Sulliver's pre-emption claim at south and planted at the northwest corner of E. M. Sullivan's pre-emption claim at south end of Bennet lake; thence south forty (40) chains; thence west forty (40) chains; thence north eighty (80) chains; thence east twenty (20) chains, more or less, to the shore of Bennet lake; thence following the lake, shore in a southeasterly direction to the point of commencement, and comprising about three hundred (300) acres, more or less.

H. A. MUNN,

Bennet Lake, B. C., Nov. 4th, 1897. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on the South Arm of Teslin Lake and on the west side of the Arm or Slough thereof. commencing at the southeast corner post of C. E. Thomas' claim, thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the said Arm or Slough thereof, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to C. E. Thomas' line, thence east 40 chains to JOHN ALEXANDER HINTON. Victoria, B.C., Oct. 16, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on the South Arm of Teslin Lake, west side of the Arm, commencing at the southeast corner post of A. Boyd's claim; thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the Arm; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains to A. Boyd's line; thence east 40 chains to the point of commence CHARLES EDWARD THOMAS.

Victoria, B. C., 13th Oct., 1897. oc19-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date we intend to apply to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of unoccupied Crown lands, situated on an Arm of Sidney Inlet on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, commencing at the northeast corner, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains along the beach to place of commencement.

Dated this 21st day of October, 1897. THOMAS STOCKHAM.

JOHN IRVING. NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following unoccupied land situated on Sharp Point, Sidney Inlet, Clayoquot district, commencing at a post marked J. A. Drinkwater, Jas. B. Thompson, K. Peterson, J. W. Russell, S.E. corner post running forty chains anorth, thence forty chains west, thence forty chains south, thence forty chains east to point of commencement.

mencement.

J. A. DRINKWATER.

JAS. B. THOMSON.

K. PETERSON.

J. W. RUSSELL.

Clayoquot, B. C., 20th Nov., 1897.

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THE ALLEGED LIBELS

The Case Against Mr. Coltart, of the Province, Produces a Legal Contest.

Mr. Bostock and Mr. Nichol Will Be Proceeded Against

Separately. WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

In the case of Hewitt Bostock, M.P., Ian Coltart and Walter C. Nichol, charged with having published a defamatory libel on Messrs. J. H. Turner and C. E. Pooley, Mr. Cassidy on behalf of the prosecution said that owing to the fact that Mr. Bostock was out of the city it was impossible to serve him and he therefore asked that his name might be stricken from the information, adding that it was the intention to lay another information against him. Martin, who appeared for the defend-ants, said that he wished to call the attention of the court to the fact that one of hic clients, Mr. Nichol, had been away from home on business for his employers, and upon his return on the previous Saturday found that the summons in this action had been served upon his Chinaman, and also called the magistrate's attention to the fact that he (Mr. Martin) had sent down to the court for the purpose of obtaining a copy of refused; that the original information, which should have been upon the files according to the information given him, it was at the time he asked for it in the possession of the solicitors for the cution, "and," said Mr. Martin, "I would like to know how it is that when filed, that that document, which is a even temporarily."

The magistrate explained that application had been made to him on the previous afternoon for leave to obtain a copy of this information for the express purpose of preparing a summons against the absent defendant, Mr. Bostock, and he had given his permission for the original to be removed for that purpose, a courtesy which he would have been willing to have extended to Mr. Martin mself under the circumstances, and if there was any blame to be placed upon anybody it was only upon himself.

Mr. Cassidy, acceding to Mr. Martin's request, agreed to Mr. Nichol's name being stricken from the information, and the case as against Mr. Coltart was taken up, with the understanding that a new information would be laid against

Messrs. Bostock and Nichol. The magistrate was of the opinion that the information as amended would require to be re-sworn by the complainants, but Mr. Cassidy, probably because his clients were not in attendance and Mr. Martin wishing to avoid delay, waived this point, and the information, Messrs. Bostock and Nichol's names being erased, was allowed to stand.

The case against Mr. Coltart, the n agistrate, however, not reading the information, was then proceeded with, and ness by Mr. Cassidy.

that he was an articled clerk in Mr. Cassidy's office and resided on Burnside

Examined by Mr. Cassidy. Q.-I hand to you what purports to Saturday, December 11th, 1897. When did you first get that? A .- I purchased this on December 16th instant from Mr. Arthur Wheeler in the office of the Prov-

ince newspaper. Q.-Do you know who Arthur Wheeler then? A .- I cannot say that I know; I believe I have known him to be em-Lloyed there some time, but I cannot say in what position.

Q.-Do you know if he was employed there then? A .- Yes. Q.-(By the Court)-An employee the Province Publishing Company? A .-

Mr. Cassidy-Do you know Mr. Coltart? A .- I know him; yes. Q .- Do you know what his occupation is? A .- I can't swear that I do Q.-Do you know where he works, that where he carries on business? A .-I have seen him working in the Province

Q .- Do you know his signature? A. I do not. Q.-Have you seen it? A.-I have seen what purports to be his signature.

Q .- On what? A .- On letters purport ing to come from him. Q .- Have you ever delivered to Mr Coltart? A .- I don't think so; I don't remember having done so.

Mr. Cassidy (showing letter to witness) -Do you know this letter? Mr. Martin (interposing)-What letter

Mr. Cassidy-A letter from me to Mr. Coltart. Mr. Martin-If it has any relevance

here is should have been shown to me. Mr. Cassidy-It is a typewritten copy a letter written by me to Mr. Coltart and I wish to show from Mr. Davey's Company, Ltd., Lty., was also produced evidence that that letter was delivered and objected to by Mr. Martin on the to Mr. Coltart in order to prove that the signature upon the letter received in reply is Mr. Coltart's signature. mething like half an hour was oc-

counsel for the prosecution to prove the signature of Mr. Coltart, in spite of the centention by defendant's counsel that s condary evidence was not admissible when it was possible to procure evi dence of a positive nature, and notwithstanding the magistrate's ruling that the evidence offered could not be accepted, Mr. Cassidy persisted in endeavoring to prove Mr. Coltart's signature by the evidence of his clerk.

It was not made clear what object course of procedure, but it is to be presumed from the lengthy argument indulged in and the persistency with which Mr. Cassidy continued to endeavor to obtain from his witness an admission that he knew and could identify Mr. Coltart's signature, that something could have been gained by it for the prosecution. His honor, however, finally com-pelled Mr. Cassidy to subside by telling him that as Mr. Coltart had been in ess here for a number of years and that hundreds of people in the city would of their own knowledge know his signstuge it was foolish to endeavor to prove head of it. Who is in apparent control? its genuineness by a witness who under

outh had repeatedly said he did not know

Mr. Cassidy then proceeded to ask the witness if he knew what duties Mr. Coltart followed at the time of the publication of the alleged libel, but when in answer to the court Mr. Davey said abruptly closed.

In cross-examination by Mr. Martin the witness testified that he had purchased a copy of the Province newspaper of December 11th on the 16th December, had taken it to Mr. Cassidy's office and placed upon it a mark of identification, but could not remember the time, although he was positive that immediately after purchasing it he had taken it to his own office and could now cognize it as the one produced in court.

or assistant to the foreman. witness and insinuated that the two companies, the Province, Ltd., Lty., and the Province Publishing Company, were erarate only for certain purposes. Mr. Martin objected to the insinuation and a lively interchange of banter was indulged Mr. Cassidy making use of the expression that "these people were higgledy pit gledying together," and asking Mr. Martin for enlightment as to what the difference was received the reply that if he wished information he must pay

Mr. Martin proceeding with an examination of the witness elicited the inforthe information in this action and was mation that the Province newspaper was published from the Province building; that the Province building was situof the court had been removed, and that, ated on the corner of Courtney and Gordon streets; that he (the witness) semetimes saw it printed; that he sometimes old it, and that Mr. Walter Nichol was known in the office as the acting editor. Endeavoring to find out what my clients are charged with an offence Mr. Coltart's position was, Mr. Martin this nature and the information is learned from the witness that he is secretary of the Province, Ltd., Lty; that as record of this court, should be removed a rule he (Mr. Coltart) occupied a room in the building; that he sometimes dictated letters, and that as far as the

over him. In cross-examination by Mr. Martin the witness repeated that he knew nothing of the Province, Ltd., Ltv., as far as his position was concerned, which gave Mr. Cassidy the opportunity of firing off a remark in regard to "double-barreled companies.

Mr. S. Y. Wootton, registrar-general, and registrar of joint stock companies, was the next witness, but the evidence which counsel for the prosecution sought to obtain from him was limited. Mr. Martin admitted that the Province, Ltd., Lty., are the publishers of the Province newspaper. The witness testified that a copy of the register of the company had been filed with him on the 11th November, 1897, and then began a protracted legal argument, in the course of which Mr. Cassidy quoted from various authorities in the attempt to prove that secondary evidence could be accepted by the because he had failed to obtain what Mr. Martin claimed was necessary, the best evidence.

of Mr. Wootton would be sufficient, asked tempt on the part of the Province, Lati., custom house here, both compared the Liv., to take shelter under the name of handwriting of the impeached letters Mr. Arthur Davey was called as a wit- of Mr. Wootton would be sufficient, asked After being sworn the witness testified more witnesses to examine and that it would be impossible for him to finish the case that day. Mr. Martin said his clients had been in court all day waiting urtil the afternoon for their case to be called Mr Cassidy had occupied much be a copy of the Province newspaper of time in transacting his private business. Mr. Martin asked that if it were possible to finish the case that the court should do so, but an adjournment was taken until

Wednesday at 2 p.m. On Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock the case was proceeded with, Mr. Wootton's evidence being continued. The witness produced the memorandum of association and copy of the register of directors of the Province, Ltd., Lty., filed with him as registrar, under section 89 of the companies' act. Mr. Martin claimed that the mere production of these documents was not sufficient, questioning Mr. Wootton's right to bring such public documents into court, and having brought them objecting to having them

left as evidence in the usual way,

Mr. Cassidy quoted from Taylor

evidence to show the court that the evidence was admissible, and Mr. Martin's objection was over-ruled. Mr. Wootton then proved the incorporation of the Province, Ltd., Lty., on 9th January, 1895, the memorandum of association appearing in the Gazette the same month; the Province Publishing Company was incorporated 10th September, 1896, and the memorandum of association was duly published in that month's Gazette. A copy of the register of directors of the Province, Ltd., Lty., had been filed with the witness and was produced, and although Mr. Martin objected most emplatically to its acceptance as evidence, his honor ruled it was admissible. register, a copy of which was filed No-vember 11th, 1897, showed that the directors were A. H. Scaife, journalist Inn Coltart, accountant, secretary; and Hewitt Bostock, capitalist. A copy of the register of the Province Publishing same grounds. Objection over-ruled The copy filed November 11th, 1897. showed that the directors were Hewitt Bostock, capitalist, Ian Coltart, accouncupied by an attempt on the part of ant, managing director; and L. B. Wilsie

printer. Cross-examined by Mr. Martin. Q.-Who filed this with you? A.think you did. -Oh! think again. A .- I think.

Q.—You never saw me there? Well. I think it was filed on behalf of Mr. Martin-Oh, you should be care

Mr. Clive Phillip Wolley was the next witness and testified that he is a barrister residing at Oak Bay. The witness was examined by Mr. Cassidy.

Q .- Do you know the Province Publishng Company? A .- I do. Q.—Have you been connected with that company? A.—I have.
Q.—What was the nature of your con A .- I acted, gratis, for Mr.

Scaife, the editor, during his absence. Q.—Bo you know who controls the ainting and publishing of that paper, the Province? A.—What do you mean by control? Q.-If you were asked who was the "boss," who would you say was the

"apparent control" as too vague and in-

Mr. Cassidy amended his question and Mr. Wolley finally said that as far as what appeared in the paper while he acted as editor he had control himself, subject to the directors, but Mr. Coltart that he did not know that Mr. Coltart managed both concerns and run them had anything to do with the Province as one thing. During that time Mr. newspaper, this line of examination was Bestock and Mr. Coltart acted as directors, and he would, if he bet on the matter, wager that Mr. Scaife was also a director.

Charles Lawrence Cullen, foreman of the Province Publishing Company, was the next witness and testified that he recognized the article in the Province of December 11th, which was the subject of this action, and that the same was "set up" by the machine operator, Mr. Ditchburn; but he did not know in whose handwriting the M.S. was. Asked if he Arthur Wheeler was then called by the exercised any special discretion in regard rosecution, and testified that he was a to this particular copy, witness said he clerk in the office of the Province Pub- dic not know then there was any particular copy, and he presumed the whole lishing Company, his duties being those article was "set up" as usual by the same Mr. Cassidy proceeded to examine the man who always "set up" that portion of the paper. The Province Publishing Company printed the Province newspaper for the Province, Ltd., Lty., charging for it so much per copy, the same as they would for any other outside company. He (witness) looked to Mr. Coltart as manager of the Province Publishing Company for his orders and took none from anyone else. He presumed that Mr. Walter Nichol was the editor of the Province, although he did not know of own knowledge.

Mr. Martin, in addressing the court for the defence, opened his argument by stating that two points must be estabby the prosecution in order to lished secure the committal of the defendant First, that the matter complained of is a libel, and, second, that the publication has been brought home to the defendant. Not only so, but in addition to proving publication, it is necessary that it be shown that the charges or statements in the article were unrue. "Not one word of evidence," continued Mr. Martin, "has ben adduced to prove that the statements complained of are false. This prosecution must fail because it has not been shown that the libel is false; they have utterly failed to prove there is no foundawitness knew there was nobody who, in tion for the statements complained of and Mr. Cassidy's language, acted as a boss if those statements are true, then there is no libel."

The court informed Mr. Martin that

the case would not be thrown out on not claimed by the prosecution the statements complained of were not true, us the court was of the opinion that it was, more than they had already done. Mr. for the defendant. Martin then proceeded to argue that the publication of the alleged libel had not been brought home to the defendant, and reply his honor said he would like to look carefully into the memorandum of and suggested that an adjournment might be necessary to enable him to do this. Mr. Martin continued his address and brought out that there had been no evidence to prove the defendant either knew of or authorized the publication of what was now alleged to be a libel, and particularly that no proof that the defendant had what in legal phraseology is called "an evil mind" had been given. The attempt to commit the two compa-Mr. Cassidy finding himself unable to nies to prove, as Mr. Cassidy had ex- in Victoria, and Lee Mong Kow, the convince the court that the evidence of pressed it, "that there had been an atseparate, and from the evidence of the was clear the Province Publishing Company simply printed a newspaper for an other company. "And," said Mr. Martin "ir any case other than one of this nature it would be possible for the defendant to go into the box and testify that in the action he is accused of he was justified the fact that what was said to be a crime was not so: that he would be entitled to prove that the charges made in the article were in substance and in fact true; in this case it is not open for us to do so; but there is, therefore, all the more reason your lordship protect us and guard against any injustice being done us. Has it been shown that the defendant knew of the publication? Has it been shown that he was responsible for its publication, and, again, has any attempt been made to prove that the alleged libel was false?". Mr. Cassidy said the words "defamatory libel" included the charge of falsity. and his honor intimated that subjects to anything which might be adduced as evidence on behalf of the accused he had

a.m. on Thursday. LAW INTELLIGENCE.

decided to send the case for trial. Mr.

Coltart was then asked by the court

the usual formal questions, and said he

It being 5 p.m. the court suggested an

adjournment should be taken, and by

consent the case stood over until 10

believed he was to give evidence.

The Hock Taw trial was continued to day and it will likely take up the greater part of to-morrow before it is finished. She Doi's wife was called and swore that a letter produced on She Doi's cross-examination vesterday was not in her handwriting, although it was the same in substance as one she wrote Whitehead. At the conclusion of the crown's case Mr. Fell asked that the case be dismissed, as the prosecution had net made out a case such as called on his client for an answer. His lordship de cided that there was a case to answer and the defence called Mr. Hargraves who is giving evidence about the seals used on some of the letters.

The steamer City of Seattle arrived this afternoon after a rough yet swift trip from the cities at the head of Lynn Canal and from Juneau and Wrangel She sailed from Skagway on Sunday afternoon, bringing in all 25 passengers, three of whom are the latest arrivals from Dawson City. All say that there is work for everyone at Dyea and Skagway, on the roads, cable railways and tramways being built there in preparation for the spring travel. Men are still going in by way of the Dyea trail -and up the lakes and rivers, all of which are frozen except for a few miles at the southern end of Lake Bennett. The Se futtle left for the Sound at 3:30 p.m.

The American ship Colusa, Captain Ewart, sailed yesterday from Chemainus with 950,000 feet, of lumber for Port Pirie, Australia.

D. Murphy arrived from Cariboo Mr. Martin objected to the expression evening.

BRIEF LOCALS.

From Tuesday's Daily. -The first monthly meeting of the Victoria Kennel Club was held last evening in Pioneer hall, when an interesting discussion on breeding took place, The club will meet on the second Monday in each month.

-The Great Northern railway announce that effective January 1st, the present rates of freight to Nelson, Trail, Kaslo and Sandon, will also apply to Rossland, thus giving the same rates to all Kootenay points. In the past the Rossland rates have always been higher than to all other points. -A tri-weekly service has been insti-

tuted between this port and the islands of the gulf. The steamer to be used in this service is to be the little passenger steamer Clayoquot. She made her first trip to-day, leaving port early this afternoon for Salt Spring. Her schedule or points of call has as yet not been decided upon.

The treasurer of the British Columbia Benevolent Society gives thanks for the following donations: From Mrs. R. Finlayson, \$10; Hon. B. W. Pearse, \$20 and the city corporation, \$25. management of the Refuge Home and the Home Nursing Society are also thankful for a donation of \$25 from the city council.

-Local sealing men are inclined to take the dispatch appearing in the morning paper, purporting to have emanated m Boston, regarding the conclusions the commissioners in the sealing claims cum grano salis. It is obviously ridiculous to suppose that the commissioners would likely decide, as was stated, to allot the sum of \$1,000,000 to the sealers, when the latter offered to settle for \$420,000.

-The trial of Beaven and Yates vs. Richards is being heard to-day before Mr Instice Walkem. The plaintiffs, who are the trustees for Messrs. Green, Worlock & Co., sue for over \$20,000 alleged to be due on a covenant in a mortgage and on promissory notes. The defence set up is that it was agreed beween Mr. Worlock and the defendant that the bank would accept a conveyance of the equity of redemption in the mortgaged property in full satisfaction of the debt. The plaintiffs on the other the grounds urged, namely, that it was hand say that the conveyance was only made for the purpose of enabling the mortgagees to deal with the property more easily. E. V. Bodwell and L. P. not necessary for the prosecution to do Duff for the plaintiffs and J. P. Walls

-The trial of Hok Tow, charged with forgery is being continued to-day before Mr. Justice Drake. Yesterday afternoon Mr. R. W. Jennings, an attorney association, which had been produced, from Port Townsend, testified that according to the American law the letters showed a state of facts which if true would make Mr. Saunders, formerly collector of customs at Port Townsend. guilty of a grave criminal charge. Mr. Townsend gave evidence showing that he had been injured by the publication of the leters. This morning's session was taken up with expert evidence as to the handwriting. Mak Kin Cho, president of the Chinese Benevolent Society well known Chinese interpreter at the another company," had utterly failed. and they both said the letters were in The two companies were distinct and prisoner's handwriting. Hock Hang, the separate, and from the evidence of the Chinaman to whom one of the letters witnesses who had been examined oft was addressed, was called to prove that he never got the letter.

-At the instance of Rev. A. B. Winchester a society has been formed to take care and protect the friendless children of the city. To attract the attention of the children to the society a Christmas entertainment will be held show being the chief attraction. The committee who have the scheme under consideration are: Lieut.-Governor Mc-Innes, Dr. G. L. Milne, Rev. A. B. Winchester, Rev. W. D. Barber, Rev. R. W. Trotter, Rev. Dr. Wilson, Rev. Canon Paddon, Rt. Rev. Bishop Perrin, Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Rev. Dr Campbell, Rev. J. F. Betts, Rev. J. C. Speer, Mrs. Kent, Miss. Bowes, Miss Williams, Mrs. McMicking, Mrs. Riddle, Mrs. Siddall, D. McLean F. A. Lewis. Hon. Col. Baker, C. H. Lugrin, Senator Templeman, T. M. Henderson, Jos. Meston, R. H. Jamieson and general committee D. Spencer. meets in the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Monday, January 3rd, at 7:30 p.m.

-R. H. Hall, of the Hudson Bay Co., was a passenger to Victoria on the Princess Louise yesterday evening. Mr. Hall has just returned from a business trip to Eastern Canada in the interests of his company. Regarding the steamships to be placed in service by his company in the spring, Mr. Hall will say nothing beyond the fact that work will shortly be started on two river steamers for service on the Stickeen. Tenders have already been received for the building of these vessels, but so far nothing has been decided in regard to where they will be built. Mr. Hall says ronto have got the Klondike fever badvailing topic of conversation. At Edmonton he found hundreds of people starting in by the route which the people of that town say leads from there, though as a matter of fact there is no route that may be called one. But few of those going in by this way realize how they are going to get to the gold fields.

From Wednesday's Daily. The Northern Pacific and other transcontinental lines have now published rates on dogs and reindeer in straight carload lots from eastern points to Pacific coast terminals.

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-On the steamer Corona, which sailed o-day for the north, were Mayor J. H. Davidson, Mrs. Davidson and Ald. Bradley, of Nanaimo, and Thomas Weir, of Quebec, all bound for the Klondike. The two other members of this party, John Davidson and John Stevens, left on the steamer City of Topeka a short time ago, and they will decide as to which trail the party will go over. When the party left Nanaimo Mrs. Davidson, who is the first Nanaimo woman to brave the terrors of the north, was met at the train by the choir of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, who presented her with an opal diamond ring. The party are taking up an outfit amounting in all to 25 tons, with sleeping bags, furs, etc. Two horses were taken up to pack the good's over to Lake Bennett, where boats will be built, and the party will camp to buy any, as all had enough to last urtil the ice breaks up in the springer

-A large number of friends of Rt. Bishop Cridge gathered at the school room of the Reformed Episcopal church yesterday evening to celebrate the eightieth birthday of the venerable gentleman. Addresses were presented to the bishop by Rev. D. McRae on behalf they are of the Ministerial Association, and plenty. Mr. Thornton Fell for the First Presby- The trip out to the coast is not such terian church. Senator McDonald, after | an easy one as the one to Fort Yukon, a brief address, presented Bishop Cridge with a purse containing about \$600, be- along the trail by the Dominion governing made up of subscriptions, one of \$200 ment makes it much easier, as the men from Mr. William Duncan, missionary can replenish their store of provisions. at Metlakathia, heading the list. An ad- at these posts. The greatest difficulty dress, it was said, had also been for- is in the ice jams, which pile up from warded by the Indians of that mission, but unfortunately it had not arrived. men have to climb on their hands and Music was rendered during the evening knees. Mr. Quinlan and his companions by the ladies' mandolin club, and Mr. started with sleds and quite a big outlit, Fred Richardson contributed a solo to the evening's entertainment.

The numerous friends in Victoria of Mr. A. H. Scaife, formerly editor of the Province, will be sorry to hear that he does not intend to return here, at the same time rejoicing at the success with which he has met. His synoptical charts, on which he spent much time and patient study, are now finding places in many of the schools and offices in Great of assistance to the men coming out, Britain, the eastern provices and the States, having in fact been adopted by London, England, school board | Major Walsh and party were This large demand for the charts makes found at Big Salmon with plenty of proit necessary for Mr. Scaife to devote visions and comfortably housed for the the publishing company, the Comparative to open the route from Big Salmon to Synoptical Chart Company, of London, Dawson; he has sent to the lakes for Poronto and Buffalo, of which he is manager. The worst that his friends hardly expects to reach Dawson before can wish him is that he will be always the 1st of February. In conversation not more than a hundred miles from a with Mr. Quinlin Major Walsh stated good trout stream, where he can enjoy, during his leisure hours, his favorite sport. Mrs. Scaife and family will leave for instance, allow ten men to take up for the east shortly to join Mr. Scaffe. ten adjoining claims, and then reserve

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as well as the dancing floor. -Messrs. R. B. McMicking and J. W. Fleming have returned from their lecturing tour through the eastern states, made in the interest of Victoria's Klon-Monday evening, a magic lantern dike trade. Mr. McMicking lectured in all the large cities, his lectures being illustrated by Mr. Fleming.

> -J. A. Harvey, cf Fort Steele; Frederick Elliott, of Nelson; and A. Mac-Nish and W. H. McHarg, of Rossland, were called and admitted to the bar this afternoon. They were introduced Quartz creek was staked from its mouth by Sir H. P. P. Crease and were sworn in before Mr. Justice Walkem.

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-Mrs. Elliott, wife of W. A. Ell of Cadboro Bay Road, died this mo at the age of 72 years and six months The deceased lady came to Victoria in 1859, arriving here in January of that year on the steamer Labouchere, of which her husband was engineer, and which was wrecked some years later between Victoria and San Francisco. month more and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott would have ecceptated the fiftieth han niversary of their wedding. The function will take place on Sunday at 1.30 p.m. from the family residence and an hour lates at the function of the best passenger at the function of the best passenger from the family residence and an interest of the best passenger from the family residence and an interest of the best passenger from the family residence and an interest of the function of the best passenger from the family residence and an interest of the function of the family residence and an interest of the function of the family residence and an interest of the function of the family residence and an interest of the function of the fu hour later at the R. E. Church.

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Mrs. Margaret Hopkins, relict of the late David Hopkins, died this morning after a prolonged illness. The deceased lady was a native of Merthyr, South Wales, was 72 years and six months of age and has been a resident of this city since about the year 1871. Two sons-Mr. Thos. Hopkins, who met with an acident in Oregon a few days ago, and Mr. W. H. Hopkins, of this city-mourn

The Hamilton Powder Works Compnay have completed their new wharf at Departure Bay and it now ready for the shipment of powder. The first shipment was made over the wharf last week, the steamer Dunsmuir taking a cargo of explosives to the Mainland. This will do away with the transportation of the blasting powder and high explosives through the city and their shipment from

the city wharves. At a meeting of the Frederick Arm Mining Company the advisability of disposing of the Blue Bell mine on Freder- nues. This is done for the purpose of ick's Arm was considered, and as a result the deal for the sale of the property is now about closed. The buyers are an city, at the earnest solicitation of a num-English syndicate, and by the terms of the agreement they will spend \$10,000 Johnson. C. O. Lalonde, James Hunter, on the property within six months and Ross Thompson, and many others, has English syndicate, and by the terms of at any time during that period the company can take over the property if they so desire. The conditions are that they will form a new company with a capital | thrown open to the public on Tuesday. police arrived at 4 o'clock. There were of \$500,000, with \$100,000 in the treasury There will be 160x55 feet of clear ice for development purposes, and give the stockholders of the old company 40 per cent. of the stock in fully paid up and non-assessable shares, besides \$15,000 in

> During the months of July and August | zations in Nelson, Kaslo and elsewhere, last Mr. George Williams, manager of challenges will be issued. It is also prothe Bank of British Columbia, had a bable that there will be match games cachus that bloomed very freely and after between the two clubs of this city. cactus that bloomed very freely and after between the two clubs of this city. the flowers had faded the plant was put Hockey is a most exciting game when aside. A few weeks ago two buds were the players are skillful, and Rossland

some flowers in full bloom. There was quite a large attendance at the meeting of the Nanaimo Poultry Society held on Saturday evening, when it was decided not to hold a poultry show this season, but to concentrate their efforts to make a still more comprehensive exhibition next season.

The funeral of the late Erward Henry Michael took place yesterday afternoon from Messrs. J. Hibert & Son's undertak-

GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, Dec. 17.-A dispatch from Camp McKinney announces that Alexander Ramage, a miner, received an ugly cut in the neck while in a drunken row at that camp a few days ago. Ramage, with several other miners, got into a dispute which ended in a rough and tumble fight, and it was while elect Ovens and Messrs. T. Gifford, J. in the crowd. The identity of the perpe-C. Armstrong, J. C. Brown, J. J. For- trater of this cowardly act has not yet rester and J. B. Kennedy, M.P.P., been ascertained, although one Mike while a large number of people paid the Davley, another miner, has since been last tribute of respect to the deceased by arrested at Camp McKinney on suspicion attending the funeral and sending flor of knowing something about the matter.

of Aberdeen, Scotland, and emigrated to an election will be held at that place on Ontario in the '50's. In 1862 Mr. For- the first of January next for the purpose rest joined the rush of gold seekers to of electing a mining recorder for the Curthis province, and sailed from New York lew district. For the last year his office to San Francisco, having amongst his has been filled by Mr. Jennings, who has

Cariboo, and Messrs. J. Maxwell, J.P., of Langley, and J. McIntosh of Kam- of Nelson, Wash., seized two kegs of loops. After prospecting and maing in whiskey and one of alcohol last Sunday, Cariboo and the Peace River country, as they were being taken into the drug store at Eureka camp by Mr. O'Connor. the proprietor of the store, Mr. Boissinault is holding this liquor at Nelson, pending instructions from the collector of customs at Port Townsend.

GALIANO ISLAND.

Galiano, Dec. 20.-The Christmas examination of the children attending the Galiano Island public school took place on Thursday afternoon, the 16th inst., in the presence of a large assembly of parents and friends. The schoolroom was paid a visit to the local lodges on tastefully degrated for the occasion, a life-size portrait of Her Majesty, the Queen, with the season's greetings in appropriate mottoes, being placed in conspicuous places. The children were subjected to a thorough examination in all child afterwards was the recipient of a handsome present from the Christmas tree, which was generously provided by friends. Mr. J. Robertson, in a short address, gave words of encouragement to the children and enlogized thework of the teacher, Miss Ethel J. Crockford, who, he said, deserved praise for bringing the scholars along so well with their studies, and he commented upon the perfect discipline and good behavior which prevailed during the whole of the proceedings noteworthy features which have always characterized the doings of this school, under the management of the present teacher. This school, situated at the west end

of Galiano island, was newly opened some five months ago. The little schoolroom presented a gay appearance on Wednesday last when a Christmas en-tertainment was held. A Christmas tree was given and through the kindness of the teacher, Miss Ethel Johnson, each child received a suitable present. Capt. McCroskie, who occupied the chair during the evening, took pleasure in remarking the evening, took pleasure in relation once; and it is they that prevent wounds ing upon the rapid progress made in their vicinity during the year in regard to school, roads, church, etc., and application, and any sore heals rapidly where "Quick-planded the action of the present governer" is used.

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tion of cold storage and other improved ernment in coming to their aid and giving to them what may be considered their just proportion. A solo rendered junior cup was played at Duncan on Saturday between the Nortifield Violets and Cowichan. Cowichan pulled off the comic recitation by Mr. J. Warnock and the singing of the National Anthem terminated a most enjoyable evening.

MISSION CITY.

Miss Ella Des Brisay of the Jubilee hospital, Victoria, has recently been vis- Synopsis of the Hall Mines Report for iting relatives at Mission City. Messrs. R. G. Clark and Jas. Fleming, of Slocan, are in Mission. Miss Frances World and Miss Mari-

etta Ladell, of Toronto, recently conducted a very successful entertainment in Odd Fellows' hall, Mission City. Though Miss World was suffering from severe cold, she ably sustained the reputation accorded her by more experienced critics than those of Mission City; while Miss Ladell was rresistible in her selections. particularly in her impersonations of childhood. The entertainment was much appreciated by all who attended.

A Christmas tree entertainment is to be held in the Methodist church here on Christmas night. Mr. John M. Kenzie, well known in Mission City, with his bride passed through here on Wednesday, 15th, en route to Seattle. After a honeymoon trip in the Sound cities they will proceed

to Kootenay to reside.

The customs house is to be removed from its present quarters on West Col-umbia avenue to the offices in the second story of the Martin block on Washington street between First and Columbia avegetting into a more central location. Howard S. Wallace, merchant of this consented to become a candidate for mayor of the municipality of Rossland. The Palace skating rink will be cash. The showing on this property has been a remarkable one and the deal is one of the largest consummated for some and as soon as they feel that they are able to compete with similar organiobserved on it and it now has two hand- has some of known repute.-Rossland

MINERS' OUTFITS

By a Carrier. missioner of customs, requesting inforthe leading financial organ in Europe, ing rooms on Bastion street.-Free mation as to the bonding of miners'

been prepared to meet the case: shall be reported to the Canadian cus- und from South Africa has done more d without navment ing conducted by Rev. T. Scoular and thus engaged that Ramage received a of duty to be carried to their destination company which has duly executed a bond the form prescribed by the minister delivery of all packages carried by such company and for the general compliance with the customs laws and regulations

governing such traffic. A duplicate of the entry in transit, duly signed and marked with the proper customs stamp, shall accompany each shipment of goods conveyed by a bonded carrier, so that the same may be returned to the custom house at Fort Cudahy, with a certificate thereon as to the landing of the goods in the United States, or of their having passed outwards from Canada within six months

from date of entry. If the goods when entered in transit for exportation are not delivered, to be forwarded by a bonded carrier, as provided in the last preceding section, the duty thereon is to be deposited with the customs officer at Lake Tagish, subject to a refund of the same at the port of Fort Cudahy, when the goods pass outward thereat, or upon the certificate of an officer of the United States within six months from date of entry. The duty deposited on such date is to be endorsed on the entry, duly certified and marked with the customs stamps, is to be delivered to the person making the deposit of duty. A report of such entry in transit shall be forwarded by mail without delay by the customs officer at the sending port to the collector of customs at Fort Cudahy for the collecclasses, including geography, mental tion of duties on the goods entered in-

The articles actually classified as travthe lakes tributary to the Fraser. It edge in a very praiseworthy and credit-leher's baggage are to be passed free is claimed that the fish are being deplet- able manner. In the evening a lengthy without entry. Commissioner McDouged, owing to the use of illegal gear for and varied programme of dialogues, reci- all, in a letter accompanying these re fishing, but the fishermen signing the tations and songs were participated in gulations, says that they are framed by the scholars, frequent applause greet- with a desire to afford the utmost faing the rendering of each piece. Each filities for the traffic in question, compatible with security to the revenue. He further says:

"Responsible transportation companies will be soon in operation for the conveyance of goods over the Chilkoot and other passes down the Yukon river and its tributaries, in which case United States goods may go forward into Alaska without payment of duties."

TEN PER CENT, REDUCTION. Manchester, N. H., Dec. 20.-Notices a 10 per cent. reduction in wages on January 1 have been posted in the Amore, Stark and Jefferson cotton mills this city. The Amoskeag, employing 9,000 operatives, posted similar notices last week. The Amore, Stark and Jefferson mills employ 11,000 operatives.

A MICROBE'S WORK. A microbe is about the smallest thing one meets in a day's journey, but it can do more harm for its size than anything known. Boils, pimples, etc, are simply microbes in the skin which cause irritating blood discrders, if not stopped at once; and it is they that prevent wounds

LONDON LETTER

comic recitation by Mr. J. Warnock and B. A. Corporation is Loudly Blowing Its Trumpet-The Coming B. C. Boom.

> the Year-Amount of Its Dividends.

The following is the Rossland Miner's

Lendon letter: London, Dec. 2.-Even if we admit that the British-American Corporation, whose prospectus has been so long expected, is of much importance to British Columbia, must be said that the Whitaker-Wright crowd are piling on the agony at a furious rate. The closing of the transfer books of the London & Globe Finance Corporation (whose shareholders are to be alone admitted to the privileges of subscribing the necessary capital), has been announced with all the pomp and ceremony with which the fin de siecle company promoter loves to accompany his flotations. The new company possibly bring good to the province, but I don't think very much of its elaborate advance puffery, which to my mind is elephantine. They say now at the offices of the promoting company that the prospectus will probably be launched this

I congratulate the Financial Times on being bold enough to pull to pieces a few of the wretched wild cat schemes which have lately been brought out with the idea of exploiting the pockets of the British public first, and Yukon afterwards. Even the British-American Corporation cannot escape the reproach of extravagant estimates regarding the gold ields of the far north for in one London publication its introducers are made to ssert that one of the company's Klonlike claims is yielding at the rate of \$5,000 to the square foot of gravel!

A Boom For British Columbia. The Financial Times went with vigor for the latest production of the "34 Vic toria Street Composite Crowd," and afterwards carried the attack into equally profitable ground for such scrutiny and research. The press of this country, while it is willing and anxious to foster and exercise in every way the develop-ment of British Columbia, Ontario and the Yukon, yet feels that it is absolutely necessary to keep an eye on the wild crtter, bearing in mind that it was the exil work of the unscrupulous promoter which did so much harm to both the Kaffir and Westralian markets, but especially the latter. Here are two or three facts in support of my frequently ex-May Go Through to Circle City in Bond pressed opinion that British Columbia will receive all the support she needs and

deserves. Washington, Dec. 21.-A response has at (1.) The Spectator on Saturday next been received to a recent letter from will contain a long article on the province Secretary Gage to the Canadian com- and its mines. (2.) The Statist, probably has made arrangements for one of its outfits through Canadian territory, en twavelling commissioners to visit Britroute from Juneau, Alaska, by way of ist North America, paying special attenmatters. The British Columbian has seen its front sheet and admire the de- good-bye. sign of O. I. Smiles, the artist.

Rosslanders In London called to-day on W. H. Corbould. who has since his arrival in this counthy been appointed managing director of Canadian Pacific Exploration Company, Limited, and found him very well satisfied with the prospects of the Paific province. Mr. Corbould thinks that there is a very big future before the

country. H. W. C. Jackson, with his wife and daughter, sail for Canada on Saturday. A concern calling itself the Geographical & Mining Institute has installed itself in a city office, and is acting as managers to Ironmonger Sold, the returned Klondiker. . This is the company which nearly twelve months ago got me to notice in your paper some proofs of Kootenay maps, on the promise of complete sheets for myself and your own local office. They inserted an advertise ment in your paper, and then, owing to your people making a small mistake in the same-which was afterwards rectified by a repetition of the advertisement -repudiated their order, and were not fair enough to even supply the maps I don't think much of the people them-

elves or their maps. Very much more useful is the sectional plan of a part of the Trail Creek mining division, which has just been received in this country, which bears the authority of Prof. Dawson, and gives the geo logical formation of the district. What we want is more of these official charts and maps and fewer of the enlargements of what are little better than ordnance

hear that the Oriel syndicate, a oundary proposition, is making both This company is at present ends meet. e private hands. The Yukon (Klondike) Companies

The Yukon Klondike companies which were rushed out pell mell in July and August are now meeting in accordance with statutory requirements. The Yukon Stewart pioneers foregatherer to-day. About the only points made were the fact that the company has not yet been able to get to work; that it proposes to send in two expeditions next spring, and acceptance of the belief that the Northwest Territory is an extension of the great gold schist that extends from California along the Rockies into Alaska. Young Turner's company, the British Columbia & New Find, meets on Friday while there are a number more which have already solemnly told their shareholders at Canon Street Hotel, or some other convenient meeting place, what a dorious time is in front of them all, if only they have patience. And in the meanwhile the Le Roi is neglected, denite all Mr. Rathbourne's efforts and

wretchedly promise and fulfillment have been served. When the last meeting was hold the shares were about £1 more than they are now, and Horne-Payne spun a the wonderful possessions of the company. And now-well, we can only expressively imitate the Frenchman, shrug

ur shoulders and say, "Voila!" Boscowitz is here and was entertained a few nights ago. Sir Charles Tupper is also here in connection with his companies and addressed the statutory meeting of the shareholders of the Klondike Mining, Trading & Transport Company, Limited, in an optimistic spirit.

The Hall Mines Dividends. But the most important item for the cek is the Hall Mines report for the year, issued this morning, and a copy of which is before me. I cannot afford the space to give it in full, but the following are the salient features: A ten per cent. last setting at rest the doubts of the shareholders, and this is, of course, in addition to the preference. The price has not moved to-day, however; even to the extent of 1-16. The financial position is as follows: Gross profits, 1897, £30,357; brought in from last account, £1,930. Dividend of 7 per cent. in preferred, £1, 750; dividends on ordinary at 10 per cent. £25,000. Depreciation on plant, building, machinery, etc., £5,589; carried forward. The board is pleased with the year's working, although it is admitted that the refining works have not yet been so successful as they might have been in the absence of a second reverperatory furnace and roasting oven and this defect is, as you doubtless know, new being remedied. The meeting is to be held on the 15th of December. This dividend on the mines is the next biggest thing that could have happened to British Columbia, next to the sale of the Le Roi. I now hear that the latter is likely to be placed on our market by the Londen & Globe Finance Corporation, the people who are at the back of the Mackir tosh company, and is expected to be advertised this week,

A VERY SAD SUICIDE.

Alexander Campbell Tired of Life-Lost His Wife and Son.

A. B. Campbell, an aged spiritualist of Rushville, Ind., committed suicide at a tic squadron in a few days by Commo Clark street hotel last night. He took morphine and was dead when found. He had written a long letter to the Coroner and made a will bequesthing his fewabout 65 years of age. He came to the Santa Monica, Cal He attempted re- Dowey. cently to kill himself in Los Angeles, Cal. Failing, he returned home. His relatives and friends thought him of unsound mind. He was examined by His letter to the Coroner is in part as Chau Bay by the Germans, the minister follows:

"I, Alexander B. Campbell, make this statement. My death will be caused by morphine, which I deliberately take with suicidal intent. This purpose was fully Circle City, Alaska. The commissioner tion to British Columbia first and after-formed when I left Rushville and came says that the following regulations have been prepared to meet the case:

letters of the Statist man with interest, life is because I want to go to my wife
Imported goods, as above described, for the staff correspondence of this jour- and boy. I cannot live without their companionship. First my boy was killshall be reported to the Canadian custom house. Lake Tagish, and may be dian anything else to keep the English ed. Then Lizzie died, and since then I have wanted to die also. I attempted to the Russian representation there in the usual form "in transit," in duplicate. The goods with developments in the Transvaal. It is the most convincing proof also I have enough of the drug. I went to Rush- tion of KiaoChau by the Germans. A set seen of the real confidence that our ville. They thought me insane because dispatch dated Tokio, November 19, deout of Canada by any transportation leading men have in the coming coun- I claimed my wife was with me always. clares that the admiral of the French try. (3.) The active preparations that Sne is with me now and helping me. Asiatic squadron has received a commu-age being made to bring out several jour- I do not care to live such a life. What nication from the admiral of the German of customs for the due and faithful nals to be devoted to Canadian mining few things I leave in my room may be sent to my brother, George W. Campyet to produce its first number. I have bell, at Rushville, I bid all my friends "A. B. CAMPBELL."

> A dispatch from Rushville, Ind., says: Gen. A. B. Campbell, who committed suicide in Chicago last night, had a remarkable career. He was the son or a Christian minister and was born in this country fifty-six years ago. Ten years ago he was the leading Republican of Kansas and Adjutant-General of that state. He was first prison chaplain at Leavenworth, Kan., then Adjutant-General under the Governor. He was a fine speaker and lecturer and was the possessor of a fortune of \$100,000 when an accident occured that ruined his life. It was the sad death of his 9-year-old son, who was killed by the street cars in Topeka. He lost his property and with his wife went to Los Angeles, Cal., where she died three years ago. This last bereavement 'preyed' so heavily on his mind that for a long time he was thought to be insane and was confined in an asylum, but subsequently released. Coming back to Indiana he began the practice of law in Rushville and stumped Rush and surrounding counties last fall

The Campbell family are descendants of Alexander B. Campbell, the founder sian request for the dismissal of Britof the Disciples' Church. Wood Camp- ishers." bell, manager of the Star Theatre at Cleveland: Rev. Walter S. Campbell and Editor George W. Campbell are brothers of Gen. A. B. Campbell.

POLITICAL EXECUTIONS IN GUATEMALA.

San Francisco. Dec. 22.-News has reached this city of the shooting in (Justemala of a number of political prisoners, including two men who are known all over the Central American republic. The execution occurred last month at Huehuetanango. The principal victim was Capt. Herculano Ruiz, brother-inand owned by Tomson & Gray, of Glaslaw of Gen. Daniel Fuentes, now in this

third victim was the Hondurian Colonel, Francisco Zelaya. He was accused of aiding the revolutionary party and was executed by order of Barrios the command being carried out by Gen. Luis Molina. Three other prominent Guatemalans suffered death in the same manner, including Licenciado Marcello de Leon, a lawyer, and Bliaz Andobal. It is estimated that there are now in Guatemalan prisons no less than 228 prisoners of the late revolutionary war.

DAMAGE BY FROSTS.

Los Angeles, Dec. 22.—The orange and lemon crops of Southern Californiaa have been injured by frost during a succession of cold nights. The fact that oranges do not show the effect of the frost for from two weeks to a month these who came after him.

On December 16th Horne-Pagne has to meet the shareholders of the Lillooet & tent of the damage even to the growers of the fruit very uncertaint.

GERMANY'S GRAB

tale running to hundreds of folios about The Occupation of Kiao Chau Bay Officially Reported to the Washington Authorities.

> Chinese Garrison Ordered to Evacuate or Suffer the Consequences.

Washington, Dec. 22.-Germany's occupation of Chinese territory has been officially reported upon by Rear Admiral McNair, commander-in-chief of the naval station. His first official report by mail concerning the landing of marines by dividend is declared on the ordinary, at Germany at Kiao Chau Bay has just been received at the navy department. It is dated November 29, and of course makes no mention of the reported occupation of Port Arthur. Under date of November 19 Rear Admiral McNair states that the following has been received concerning the occupation of Kiao

"A German squadron, consisting of two men-of-war, arrived at Kiao Chau Bay on the 13th inst. The commander of the squadron landed on the following day with 600 bluejackets and ordered General Chang, the commander of the Chinese garrison, to retire behind the hills within twenty-four hours, commencing from 3 o'clock on that day (14th), further informing Gen. Chang that the Chinese soldiers would not be permitted to take away anything save their rifles and personal effects. The German commander furthermore ordered that in the event of the Chinese garrison ignoring this order, it would be regarded as hostile and the garrison immediately fired upon. Thereupon Gen. Chang with his forces evacuated the forts and retired to the lower part of Seito."

It is generally conceded that before occupying the territory, the German commander informed all the commanding officers of foreign squadrons.

Rear Admiral McNair will be succeeded as commander in charge of the Asia dore George Dewey, who left San Francisco on December 5 for Yokohama, where he will hoist his flag.

The government of the United States has no other policy in China than the valuables to relatives. The suicide was protecting of American interests and instruction to this effect have been given hotel December 14th and registered from Rear Admiral McNair and Commodore

Rear Admiral McNair states that Japan dispatched a cruiser to Kiao Chau Bay, for the purpose of watching the perations of the Germans. The Nippo says that on receipt of the

of foreign affairs at once dispatched instructions to the Japanese minister at Pekin, and that frequent interchange of telegrams is at present being carried on between the government and theministers. It is also stated that rumors are rife that the German minister is making preparations to leave China. A Pekin dispatch to the Ji Ji, dated November 19, announces that the Chinese govern-Asiatic squadron, informing him of the occupation of Kiao Chau by German warships and the reason for the action

The last clipping announces that the Chinese officers who came to witness the Japanese manoeuvers have received instructions to return immediately to their homes in consequence of the Kiao Chan affair. They have, therefore, abandoned their intention of visiting Tokio

and Nagasaki. The clippings enclosed by Rear Admiral McNair are considered thoroughly reliable by department officials and their contents was the subject of a great deal

of speculation. London, Dec. 23.-The Times in an editorial on the situation in China, sarcastically asks whether the German press is claiming a Itusso-German entente in China, and the Emperor in his speech at Grandenz, anticipated Russia's demand for the removal of German drill sergeants from the Chinese army. It adds, with reference to the demand for the dismissal of the English engineers: "Our Pekin correspondence says China is hesitating, and possibly we may be able to appeal to motives at Pekin which will strengthen China's disinclination to comply with the Rus-

BRITISH BARK LOST.

The Blairlogie, Bound for Portland, Or., Wrecked in Southern Seas.

Auckland, N. Z., Dec. 21.-The British bark Blairlogie, Captain McFay, from Delagoa Bay, Sept. 20, for Portland, Ore., has ben lost with a cargo off the island of Matahiva, belonging to the Tutomota group. The members of the crew reached Papciti. The Blairlogie was built at Glasgow in 1894; was of 1,637 tons gross register

ARABS IN REVOLT.

Tripoli, Dec. 21.—Several thousand Arabs, who have been demonstrating outside the gates of this place, have been surrounded by Turkish troops. of the city have been closed and the Arabs' agitation against the government is increasing. There were disturbances on December 17th at Amurs, near here. The houses inhabited by Hebrews were pillaged. Thirty of the rob bers were arrested by the police.

Piles Oured Without the Use of Knife by Dr. Chase.

I was troubled for years with piles and tried everything I could buy without any benefit, until I tried Dr. Chase's Ointment. The result was marvellous.
Two boxes completely cured me.

JAS, STEWART, Harness Maker,
Woodwile, Onc.

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Aldermen Transact the Usual Routine Business Last Evening.

Property Owners Object to the Changes Being Made in the Grade of Streets.

Another Letter From W. H. Braden in Respect to the City Health Department.

There was a full attendance at the regular meeting of the city council held last evening, the mayor in the chair. After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the last meeting Mayor Redfern referred to the death of Ald. J. B. Harrison and said they all recognized in Ald, Harrison a hard working and conscientious alderman. In view of the early approach of the general election he did not think it would be necessary to hold an election to fill the

Ald. Hall seconded the remarks of the

A. J. Dallain, of the S.P.C.A., wrote in reference to the manner of gathering in dogs followed by the pound keeper. Some less cruel means than lassoing dogs and dragging them through the streets

Referred to the mayor and pound com-

Messrs. Crease & Crease, for Charles Dupont, claimed damages for the destruction of a shack on Fisguard street, which they contended had been pulled down by the sanitary inspector without proper authority.

Mayor Redfern thought the registered

owner of the property, who is not Mr. Dupont, had had the building destroy-

The letter was referred to the city solicitor and sanitary officer.

The city clerk of Vancouver that another leper had been sent from that city to Darcy Island, and asked that he be looked after under the arrange-

ment between the two cities. Referred to the sanitary officer. Frank Armstrong asked for a further extension of the Michigan street sewer. Referred to the sewerage committee. The mayor announced that he had sent

a don ion of \$25 each to the following institutions: St. Joseph's Hospital, Maternity Home, Rescue Home, Protestant Ornhans' Home, St. Ann's Convent and B. C. Benevolent Society.

A number of applications having been received for the position of lamp trimmer several aldermen suggested that the late Mr. Jewell's son, who has been doing the work, be appented. The superintendent of the electric light department recommended that Mr. Cummings be appointed. The appointment was deferred for a

The property owners on Government between Fort and Broughton streets objected to the grade of the street being lowered. They had built their buildings a few years ago on the grade given by the city and the street was

now being raised. Referred to the engineer and street The street committee recommended

that A. R. Sherk be paid \$2 for work done in the street, but did not think he was entitled to the \$25 claimed for damages. Adopted.

mayor stated that the municipal act of 1896 allowed the city to arrange for the election by resolution. Heretofore it had been necessary to pass a bylaw. The resolution recommended by the mayor appointing polling places and returning officers was moved by Ald. I gained no strength. In June, 1893, a Vigelius and seconded by Ald. Stewart.

Objection was taken to the Vernon Block as the polling place for Centre Ward, some of the aldermen preferring the old place at the corner of Pandora and Douglas streets, it being nearer the city hall. It was decided to name the Vernon

Block, and the officials named in the mayor's motion were appointed. Mr. W. H. Braden wrote as follows: Victoria, B. C., Dec. 20th, 1897.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of

Gentlemen.-Yours of the 30th ult. to hand, and by it I understand that your weak and easily exhausted. After eathonorable body positively refuse to grant an investigation into certain charges that I could take no food of any kind with-I have made against your health of-ficer. If you still refuse, after receiving heart—often so bad I was drawn two this communication, I will have it in- double with it. There was, too, a dull, vestigated in a court of justice and so weary aching across the kidneys, which show the public the system of treatment | made me feel stiff when I mover about. they may expect to receive from your health department, as your say you have menth, getting weaker all the time. no control over same. I am not the only lost over a stone weight and was almost person that has gone through the process, as others have testified.

If you still refuse to grant me an investigation you need not take any further notice of my claim for \$75, as I will sue for being detained sixteen days from business, when there was no need of it; also for goods destroyed by fire and fumigation; also for detaining my a chemist at Wisbech, and after taking it which invariably comes from its use.

had done her so much good—Mother in every case, it occasions satisfaction of 530 tons and welgating 204 tons, because it occasions satisfaction and pleasure, in addition to the benefit which invariably comes from its use.

The caises is constructed with a lower of the caises in its constructed with a lower of the caises in the caise of the caises in the caise of the nurse for sixteen days, who was taken three days I felt much better. I conaway from my children without my con- tinued with the Syrup and in a short time sent, after an agreement with your health I was as well as ever, and got back officer (that he should stay with them), the flesh I had lost. Since then I have was well trained. who had no intention of allowing him to remain at any time, as his conduct. | what Mother Seigel's Syrup did for me And I here state that my nurse had

Highest Honors-World's Fair. Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.



no connection with the disease until Dr. Fraser ordered him to stop with them over night. As soon, however, as he got me out of the way he removed my nurse to the Chinese shacks and put him in with the suspects, who were going out three days later. Is this the way to stamp out disease?

It seems strange that my blanket can be returned to me, after being told by Dr. Fraser, Chipchase and the late caretaker (Mr. Shaw), that all clothing, blankets, bedding, etc., worn or used by the children would be destroyed by fire but, on the contrary, I find this has not

been done. With regard to the goods destroyed by Officer Chipchase, why were they burned after I had been in the room four days and have not been fumigated since returning from the hospital.

I will without further delay see this to the end, as I will stand no more humbug. I remain, yours truly,

W. H. BRADEN. The letter was received and filed. There was some discussion as to whether the ballot for street superintendent should be taken on all the applicants or only on the two who received votes last week. It was decided to throw it open to all the applicants. The only difference from last week was that Andrew Wood got one vote, John Hageach, as before. There was one more alderman present than last week. On the second vote Leonard Fusey received five votes to John Haggerty's four, and he was declared elected. The municipal elections regulation bylaw was finally passed.

The council adjourned. COMRADES, TOUCH THE ELBOW.

Soldiers who comprise the ranks of an army are drilled to act together. This discipline gives greater courage and efficiency, as every man knows that in battle he will not be left to act alone-he will be supported by his comrades.

In civilized society the same principle supposed to prevail to a certain extent. The weak must be assisted by those who are stronger-the very poor by those who are richer, and sick by those who are well. Otherwise what would become of us in times of trouble

We cannot always help our neighbors. by gifts of money, yet it is often in our power to help them in a better waynamely, by means of knowledge which

we possess and they do not. Every day's post brings to the writer ilustrations of this, which go to show how useful the weakest and the poorest of us might be to others if we were only thoughtful to ask ourselves: what do I know that might be of use to my friend?"

And many do so, thank mercy, and render service which no money can pay

For example, Mrs. Redpath, whose letter I am about to introduce, probably owes the recovery of her health to the intervention and advice of a friend who acted on this theory of duty.

"In the spring of 1892," says Mrs. Redpath, "my health began to fail me. Before this I was strong and hearty. I now felt low and weak and had no energy or strength left in me. My apnetite was gone and I often sat down at mealtime without being able to touch enything. After eating (when I did eat) I had nain at the chest and between the shoulders; also a gnawing pain in the

felt no better for going to bed, being werse tired in the morning. As time passed by I got extremely weak, and although able to get about the house it

was with difficulty that I did so. "For over a year I continued like this, wiy and Dyea. now better and again worse, but always in pain. I took different kinds of meatcines and tonics to strengthen me-still i friend told me of the benefit he had received by taking Mother Seigel's Syrup and urged me to try it. I got a bottle from Mr. Lawrence, the chemist at Peel, and after taking it a few days I found benefit. I could eat and enjoy my food without pain. I continued with it and gradually my strength returned and I have since kept well. You can publish this statement as you like. (Signed.) Mrs. Ann Jane Rednath, 60

Glenfaba road, Peel, Isle of Man, July 22nd, 1896," A similar case is that of another lady who says: "In the autumn of 1894 I began to feel ill and out of sorts. I was ing I felt great weight at my stomach. "In this way I continued month after reduced to a skeleton. From a stout,

healthy woman I was brought low as well could be, and people began to think I would never get better. "In October of last year my daughter persuaded me to try a medicine that

kept in good health. I tell everyone and you are welcome to publish this shake hands, and play dead, and say letter and refer anyone to me. (Signed.) her prayers, and do lots of things .-Mrs. S. Butcher, Farrow's Farm, Nordelph (near Downham), Norfolk, July

In the one case a friend, in the other a daughter were the providential advisers to these suffering women. If the first bringer of unwelcome news hath but a losing office, as Shakespere affirms, what shall we say to the bringers of good news? Of those whose knowledge, drawn upon in time of need, proved so full of help and blessing? How much good it did and how little it cost! Now, the fact that Mother Seigel's Syrup cures when other medicines are of no avail is known to thousands. Let them, then, sound it forth and earn the thanks

of those who are ready to perish. DENIES THE ALLEGATION. Washington. Dec 20.—F. M. Gideon, the clerk of the general land office, who was referred to by Thomas Reddington testimony Saturday as having changed the lands office records so as to throw five million acres of government land to the Northern Pacific road, has made a clear denial of the charges.

Many Days Overdue-The Reinsurance Rates.

A Tri-Weekly Service to Salt Spring and Other Islands of the Gulf Inaugurated To-Day.

From Tuesday's Daily. number of the merchantmen en route from London and Liverpool to this. coast are now long overdue. The British ship Natuna, which is well known here, carrying a cargo of salmon, to England on account of Robt, Ward & Co., is now 221 days out from London to San Francisco with general merchandise. The British ship Taymouth, from Liverpool to San Francisco with general merchandise, is 234 days out, and the British bark Craigend, which sailed from Portland via Hiago on May 3rd is also considerably overdue. As the usual passage of sailing ships from Liverpool to this coast is about 130 days or there gerty and Leonard Fusey getting four abouts, it is easy to be seen that they are considerably overdue. These vessels were all reinsured at Liverpool on November 26th, at the following rates: Natuna, 20 guineas; Taymouth, 40 guineas; Craigend, 80 to 85 guineas; and on the long-overdue steamer Pelican, which is now about 70 days from Port Townsend with lumber for Tientsin, at 25

guiness per cent, premium. The tug Halifax, of Nanaimo, spent esterday in this port and this morning she left for the west coast. She 's under charter by a Vancouver man, who is going to Clayoquot to investigate some mining properties.

Capt Metcalf, Lloyds' surveyor in San Francisco, and J. Tyson, who are representing Capt. Nelson, owner of the stranded steamer Cleveland, left for the wreck yesterday evening on the

The British ship Yeoman, which sailed from Chemainus on July 23rd with lumber for Liverpool, arrived at her destination on December 13th.

From Wednesday's Daily. The steamer Corona, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., sailed early this morning for Skagway, Dyea, Juneau and Wrangel with a large number of passengers. She took up a few passengers from this port, but a large quantity of provisions, including a shipment of 14 ons of general provisions and 12 tons of bacon for the Northwest Mounted Police. Like the other vessels sailing of late to Lynn canal, the Corona had large amount of lumber on board for Skagway and Dyea.

The sealing schooners C. D. Rand and Ada, which have been overhanled and prepared on Turpel's ways for their spring cruise, were launched this morning, and the schooners Director and Saucy Lass were hauled out. The whole fleet are now making preparations for their spring cruise, and the wharves of the upper harbor are lined with schooners taking or supplies.

The old steamer J. R. McDonald was towed back to her moorings in James Bay this morning from the Esquimali marine ways, where she has been recaulked and repaired generally. It is understood the J. R. McDonald is to be used in the spring as a freighter between Victoria and Wrangel, Juneau, Skag-

Towards the end of January a new steamer, owned by the New England Fish Company, will arrive here from Philadeplhia, where she was built, to engage in the halibut fishing in company with the steamers Coquitlam and Capilano in Northern British Columbia waters.

The British steamer Amarapoora, which sailed from Moodyville in November with lumber for Yokohama, has arrived at the latter port very much disarrived at the latter port very much dis-abled. Her screw was broken, and in British battleships. One of the her long voyage of 22 days she had re- finest modern examples is the Esquimalt | the work they had to do. He mentioned ceived quite a buffeting by rough wea- dock, near Victoria, British Columbia.

The British ship Senator, Capt. Harrison, has been chartered to load lumber at the Hastings mills. Her destination has as yet not been fixed, out it will be a choice between Plymouth, England, and Sydney, Australia.

The bark Wrestler, Captain Nielson, sailed last evening for Departure Bay, where she will complete the discharging of her cargo of nitrate. She has 500 tons for the Hamilton Powder Works at that port:

So thorough is the excellence of Ayer's Hair Vigor that it can be used with sandstone; the alters and timber slides benefit by any person, no matter what may be the condition of the hair, and,

morrow, if I could only get a dog that which rest upon fixed rollers, over which been stopped, awaiting part of the car-Ethel-Oh, I'll let you take Dottie then! She can stand on her head, and tween the advocates of stone and timber

I write this to let you know what I would not do: I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost \$5 per bottle. It does all you recommend it to do and more. -J. R. Wallace, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamber lain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the word, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by buying a bottle at Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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OVERDUE VESSELS MR. KELLIE EXPLAINS

Many Ships Bound for This Coast New | Revelstoke Citizens Hear Why He Refused to Support the Turner Government.

> Resolution Passed Condemning the Government's Action in Appointing the Gold Commissioner.

> Revelstoke, B. C., Dec. 22. (Special)-A large and enthusiastic meeting assembled in Peterson's Hall, Revelstoke, yesterday evening, to hear Mr. J. M. Kellie's explanation of why he refused to longer support the Turner government. The hall was packed, about three hundred persons being present, and Mr. Kellie's speech, in which he explained the many causes of friction that led him

At the close of the speech the fol wing resolution was proposed: stances connected with the appointment

"Resolved-That this meeting express es its disapproval of the same and condemns the government for making it." Out of the large gathering but six hands or thereabouts went up in favor of the appointment. This is a direct slap in the face to the government. So also was a subsequent motion asking Mn Kellie to retain his seat to save a bye-election. The band was out and there was very general excitement.

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nost intimate friends and neighb about with the greatest caution; now health is good. I believe Paine's Celery

ENGLAND AND HER SHIPPING.

Object Lesson for United States Maintenance of Graving Docks.

has its counterpart in the cordon of This is a typical masonry graving dock. British Columbia and completed by the ority of entrance and free dockage for 15 years. At this point the range of briefly spoken a vote of thanks was tides is very variable and uncertain, being about ten feet normally, but remaining practically level for lays together. The capacity of this dock is 450 feet by sometimes increased by the tide to 30 feet. Its site was solid ground; the of 530 tons and welling 294 tons, besides 180 tons of concrete of ballast. The Lebu has now completed loading The caisson is constructed with a lower her cargo of salmon and will sail from chamber for water ballast, and an ap- here to-morrow. The loading of the Ad-Hunston-I'd like to go shooting to- per flotation chamber; it has two keels,

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to take this decisive step, evoked coniderable applause.

"Having heard the explanations offered by our member, Mr. Kellie, regarding the appointment to the gold commissionership of John Drinkwater Sibbald, and remembering all the circum-

ter Years of Suffering.

New life, health, vim, energy and activity, are some of the blessings Paine's President, Capt. W. F. Stewart, Eburne; Celery Compound bestows on those who are now helpless, weary and half dead.4 ortured with neuralgia, distressed with John Dinsmore and James Thomson. dyspepsia, or laid low with kidney trouole, that infallible life-giver, Paine's Celery Compound, will restore you to a small organization to-day, he looked perfect health and give you a long lease for great results from it. If the farmers of life. Mrs. Page, of Arnprior, Ont., once combine they will speedily realize after years of suffering, experienced the the good they can do to their own inhappy and mighty change that Paine's terests by their union. e hoped that by Celery Compound alone can give to the the date of the annual meeting they

afflicted. She says: "I have been for many years a great | He would personally do all he could to sufferer from rheumatism and a com- further the interests of the institute. plication of other troubles. About a year ago I was prevailed upon to try bring farmers together. He thought is I am well and active and my general Compound will do all that is claimed for

Wherever the Union Jack floats, the British government, or a colonial government—which, for the object in view, splendid graving docks. The "morning drum beats that goes round the world" It was commenced by the government of ernment contributing £50,000, in return for which Her Majesty's ships have pri- annual meeting next month.

it is drawn by steam power chains. As there has long been a dispute bedry docks as to their advantages, it may be of interest to note that the Espuimali deck cost about \$1,500 per lineal foot, fully equipped; and it is stated that an extension in length would cost about \$1,000 per foot for the dock structure alone. Wooden docks of similar capacity have cost about \$1,000 per foot, but two at the Brooklyn navy yard are said have cost\$640,000 each, which would be somewhat more than \$1,000 per foot; this however does not include the very extensive repairs that subsequently were necessary.

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NEWS OF STEVESTON.

The Richmond Farmers' Institute-A Burglar at Work.

Steveston, Dec. 20.-The first meeting of the Richmond Farmers' Institute was held at the municipal hall on Saturday. PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND Mr. Thos. Kidd, M.P.P., presided, and Mr. Robert McBride acted as secretary. It was resolved to proceed at once to the election of officers, on the under-standing that they would only hold office till the first annual meeting, which must

be held next month. vice-president, Mr. Thos. New, Central Park; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Robert McBride, Eburne; directors, Messrs. Capt. Stewart in accepting office said that although the institute seemed but would have a large membership enrolled

Mr. New said it was no easy matter to a course of Paine's Celery Compound, of great importance that they should ment should be made acquainted. Loywith a result so marvellous that my rnite and stand shoulder to shoulder. alty to the party has kept silent many So united, there were many things they | Liberals who know what was behind could scarcely believe me to be the same | could do. He thought it would not be | the Langelier episode, but their loyalty woman. Formerly I could only move long before the institute became a large has been abused to such an extent wide and useful organization. The farm- is time to raise the edge of the curtain ers in South Vancouver and Burnaby were deeply interested in it, and he believed many of them would join as

members. Secretary McBride said one of the first questions the institute should tackle was that of "Cheap Money for the Farmer." He believed that by a united and earnest effort they could have something substantial done in this di-The credit of the province rection. stood high. Charter mongers were not slow to see this and they were at the is practically the same thing-has its government for loans, bonuses and guarantees. All these grants really became burdens on the farmers; yet the farmers could not make a combined request for the aid which they absoluterequire to enable them to carry on other subjects which would also claim

their consideration. Mr. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture and Mr. Thos. Cunningham Dominion of Canada, the imperial gov, briefly addressed the meeting. Both gentlemen hoped to be present at the

After some other gentlemen had

ing separated. The burglar has been getting in his work in one quiet place. A store on the 65 feet deep, with a depth of 261 feet, dyke near the Brunswick Cannery, which had been locked up for a few days, was found on Saturday to have walls are of rubble concrete faced with been broken into and practically cleared out. The stock was varied and of conare of masonry. It is closed by means siderable value. Diligent search is beof an iron caisson, having a displacement | ing made for the miscreants, but as yet

elaide is well advanced, but work has go which is coming from another can- depth of color, fastness and brilliancy. nery.

Distressing Nature of the Influenza Phase of the Disease-Immediate Help from Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder-Fifty Members of Parliament

Rear Testimony.

SPREAD OF LA GRIPPE.

Grippe, this scason, attacks the head and throat with great severity. That remarkable remedy, Dr. Agnew, Catarrhal Powder, gives instant relief. W. H. Bennett, M.P. for East Simcoe, and fifty other members of parliament have borne testimony over their own signatures to the virtues of this remedy. It is known the continent over. C. G. Archer, Brever, Mai ne, says: I had catarrh for several years. Water would to Grand Rivers (K.) Herald. For sale run from my eyes and nose days at a at Langley & Henderson time. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder was the ony remedy that gave substantial relief, and since using it I have not For Sale by Dean & Hiscocks and

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DISSENSION IN QUEBEC.

Struggle for the Mastery in Which Liberals Are Interested. Toronto, Dec. 20.-The Globe's Monreal correspondent thus discusses Quebec federal polities: Though Hon. Mr. Tarte made light of it at Levis on Friday, there is a crisis in the Liberal party with which all lovers of good govern-The fact is that some of the worst elements of Mercier's regime are coming to the surface, and there is now at Que bec a struggle for the mastery in which the whole country is interested. The notorious Bay des Chaleurs railway, its more high sounding successor. Atlantic & Lake Superior railway. again the centre of one phase of fight. The Montreal correspondent the Evenement, a Conservative paper in Quebec, has hit the nail on the head when he wrote: "The point of divergence, probably, was the refusal of Si Wilfrid and Hon, Mr. Tarte to have enything to do with C. N. Armstrong. whose name was mixed up with the Bay des Chaleurs railway matter. Mr. Tarte took such a strong stand again subsidizing Armstrong's railway dissatisfaction, at first concealed, be came public, and matters were emb The Quebec end was carefull

laid to the door of Mr. Tarte." DIAMOND DYES

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No Mention of Individual the Decision of the Behr Commissioners.

The Announcement That \$464,000 Is Granted : doubtedly Correct

Ottawa, Dec. 24.-The Ti pondent to-day interviewed Davies, minister of marine, award of the arbitrators in Sea sealing claims dispute. says the amount of the awar 000-as has been announced dispatches before and tha whatever is said about inter minister of marine further the award is in a lump sum individuals.

New York, Dec. 24.-A disp

Officials at the foreign off

Tribune from London says:

conceal their gratification of

sult of the sealing award amount of indemity awarde that which congress refused t English press has been conproaching the Americans for the bill of damages after decision of the Paris tribuna against them. The charge of will be again revived if congr to sanction the agreement the sealing commissioners. the part of congress to appr money required in settling t sation for the seizure of Car ers would naturally increase ficulty of adjusting the Be question, and this is alread enough. The foreign office now exposed to merciless of home and abroad to Britain's isolation and helplessness with the now mysterious Chi tion, would be glad to have source of contention with moved, but cannot act without port of Canada, which is not agree to the suspension of peing and the preservation of the herd, unles a series of other and questions are taken up by ed States and disposed of. Wha apprehended is diplomatic em creased bitterness between as a result. Nevertheless the and that British and Canad sentatives have been compelle nize the justice of the Ame tention for the preservation seal herd, can hardly fail to to the Americans in the next year for a new modus der the Paris awards. The paris tlement of the damages agree Justices Putnam and King v the chances of a reasonable of the chief question at issu wise the present regulation main in force indefinitely Paris award, or until experie that they will be inadequate for tection of the seals.

FIRE AT NORTHFIE Dan Coyle's Store and R.

Residence Destroyed Nanaimo Free Press: This about one o'clock the Parisia Northfield, occupied by Mr. D. residence of Mr. Robert Gourl stable nearby were totally des fire. From information rec learn that the fire originated Gourley's residence and was no ed until it was a mass of flame set Mr. Coyle's store on fire. Mrs. Gourley and Covle were the evening at Mr. Norcross's and their first knowledge of the when the general alarm was g Had there been a sufficient water the stable might have be The contents of Mr. Gourley were completely destroyed. quantity of Mr. Coyle's stock

and removed to the store occ Mr. James Hill. The buildings were owned b Kilpatrick, of Wellington, and tially insured as follows: On building, \$1,000 in the Lond Canadian Insurance Company; stock, \$500 in the same com \$700 in the Phoenix: on Mr. residence, \$500, in the London adian Insurance Company.

FRANCE IN CHINA. Powerful Cruiser Ordered to

For Oriental Service. London, Dec. 24.-A special from Paris says: "The French Potheau has been ordered to pre service in Chinese waters. The is a first-class cruiser of over 5. displacement and 10,000 indicat power. She is classed as he speed of 19 knots, and carries t guns, ten 5 inch quick-firing g

18 small quick-firing guns." HALF-MILE RECORD Milwaukee, Dec. 23.-Walter ger yesterday afternoon broke world's indoor record for half a

paced, riding the distance in