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WM. MONTENTH,

Official Administrator.

C. December 6th, 1904.

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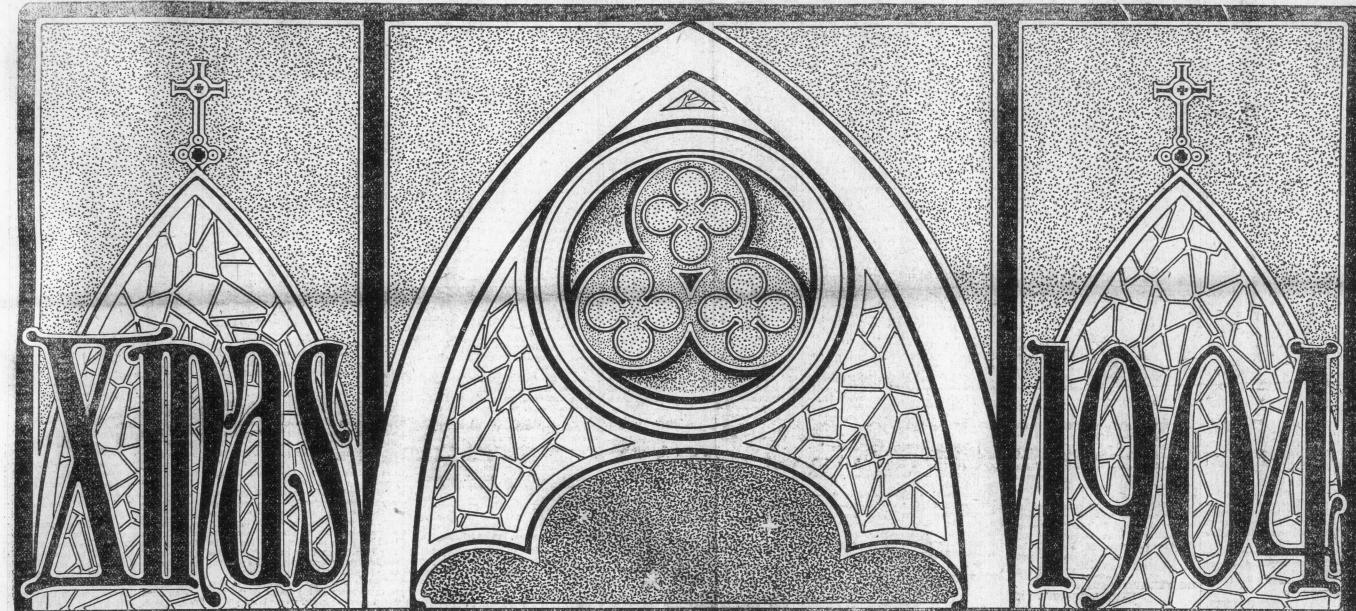
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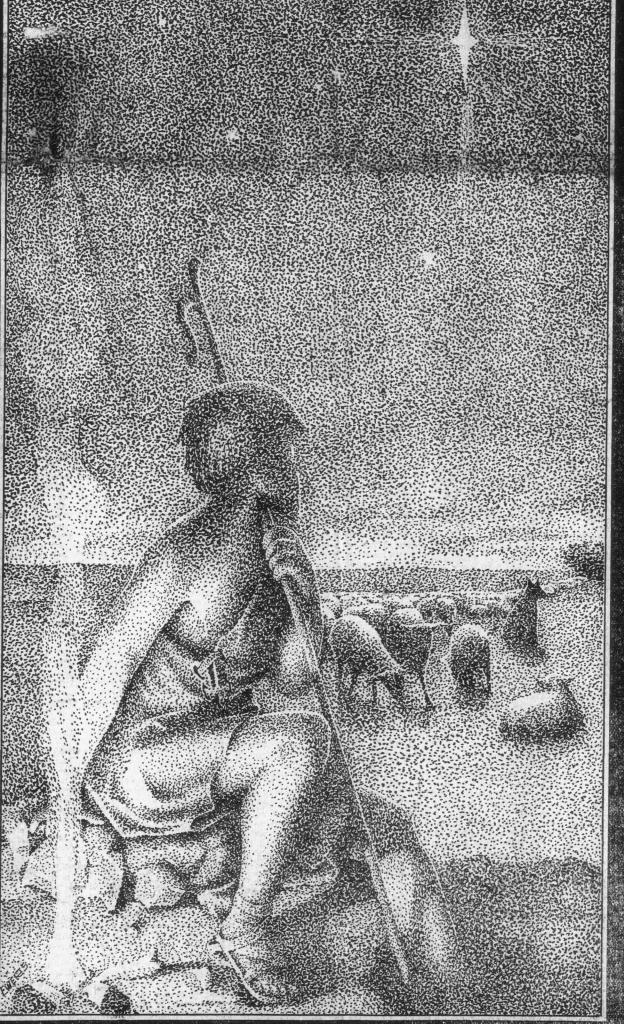
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RUSSIAN DESTROYERS TORPEDOED BY JAPS

REPORT RECEIVED FROM ADMIRAL TOGO

Peculiar Point Raised in Connection With the Seizure of a British Steamer.

Tokio Dec. 22.-Evening.-A report received from Vice-Admiral Togo last

"A prisoner taken by our fleet, who is considered to be reliable, reports that as 13th, eight torpedoes struck the net of the battleship Sevastopol and that at least one took effect on her hull. This seems to have occurred on the night of ember 15th or early December 16th. The Sevastopol's crew was seen to be confused and a hawser from the shore was attached to the battleship. The torpedo which struck the hull took effect on the port side aft, damaging about

eight feet long the rivet lines.
"The vessel is now headed toward outer part of the entrance to the harber, with her stern aground and her gun points amidships almost awash. She is listing to starboard and the side lights a her lower decks are submerged. There is one torpedo boat to the

starboard of the Sevastopol and one pumping vessel to port, together with of which are busily engaged in pumping, worthmess of the warship.

"On the night of December 16th; one of our torpedoes struck the bow of a Bussian torpedo boat destroyer and that vessel is now aground." Another report from Admiral Togo

received later says: observation outside Port Arthur, I found that the Sevastopol, which was attacked by our torpedo notilla, is new anchored in the shallows San Francisco that he visited Yokoabout 400 yards from the shore of Cheng- hama. Tokio, Sasebo and several other tao mountain. The Russians are engaged in pumping, but the Sevastopol is listing at least ten degrees, with her and workshops. bow slightly sunk. There can be no hope of restoring the vessel to fighting trim terial which will make many interesting Port Arthur, and I judge that she has

been completely disabled. "I also observed that the enemy's destroyers, which were torpedoed by us, have received short shrift, have been destroyed." ----

RUSSIAN VIEWS ON JAP NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.-The an nouncement that four Japanese cruisers and twelve torpedo boats are proceeding west from Singapore is received here with much interest. It is not believed, owever, that such a small squadron can have been sent out by the Japanese with any idea of engaging in offensive operations, but it is regarded as more probable that it is with the aim to watch the detachments of the Russian fleet which are expected soon to unite near Madagascar. It is generally believed that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky intends to establish a coaling station on a small island between Madagascar and the Philippines and that the Japanese cruis-ing squadron intends to indicate that dezvous for Admiral Togo's informa-

The Russian authorities have received information confirmatory of the Novoe Vremya's statement of yesterday regarding the Chinese situation, indicating that Japanese influences are predominant, not only in the anti-foreign societies, but in the army and at Pekin forcing the con-Vremya's statement of yesterday regardthe army and at Pekin, forcing the con-viction here that the situation is becom-was in a valley with green hills rising ing critically dangerous. The belief pre-gails that in the spring, Japan, under affecting, was soon over. The priest rention of the powers to end the war.

Direct evidence exists that the anti-fordead march. Mistchenko and his staff were printed in Japan.

THE CAPTURE OF THE

London, Dec. 22.-The insurance expert of the Times, in to-day's issue, says: "Interest centres to-day on the seizure by the Japanese of the British steamer Nigretia, bound from Shanghai for Vladivostock with a cargo of kerosene oil. The war risk insurance amounted to £70,000, placed on the cargo under peculiar circumstances. The oil was shipped at Shanghai under a written assurance by the Japanese consul to the British consul that kerosene would not he regarded as contraband by the Japanese government, no matter where it was

"The cargo was insured under this guarantee at a rate of fifteen guineas per cent. as against thirty guineas for contraband. Whatever liabilities may attach to the Nigretia in consequence of the alleged presence of Russians on board, no liability can reasonably attach to the shippers. It would give a very bad impression if Japan ignores the written assurance of its consul and failed to

General Oku's Headquarters. Fusan, Thursday, Dec. 22.—(Delayed in on December 9th and anchored near night of December 20th made a deter- and heavily damaged. ned attack on Lamuting. but were driven back with heavy loss. The Japansustained no casualties.

the cavalry on the extreme left of the Japanese line on the night of December 20th and 21st, but were repulsed with

Small details of Russians nightly attack Japanese outposts and patrois, but with small success. ---

NO LATE NEWS FROM PORT ARTHUR.

Chefoo, Dec. 23 .- No news was re

ceived here from Port Arthur to-day. RUMORED ESCAPE OF

London, Dec. 23 .- The Daily Tele graph's Cheroo correspondent reports that eight torpedo boat destroyers have escaped from Port Arthur, where for the last twenty-four hours, he says, a severe snowstorm has been raging.

RUSSIAN DESTROYERS.

London, Dec. 24.—Telegraphing from Tokio, the correspondent of the Daily Express says he learns that, in the event of Admiral Kamimura, who is reported to have gone south with a squadron of No. 1 and 2 are sold in all Victoria drug powerful cruisers, notifying it of the ap-

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broach of the Russian second Pacific squadron, the whole Japanese fleet which has been operating at Port Arthur will be ready to proceed south on a day's otice to give battle.

The Times correspondent at Pekin reorts that the Chinese have seized at the Pengtai station near Pekin three milion rounds of Russian ammunition consigned to a Russian firm at Tientsin and evidently designed for Port Arthur, The was concealed in bales of wool from Kalwan on camels.

JAPANESE TRENCHES OCCUPIED BY RUSSIANS.

Mukden, Dec. 23 .- Volunteers the eight of December 21st occupied Japanese trenches opposite their positions, Three trenches were evacuated by the Japanese with scarcely a fight. The victors were surprised to find a box ying in plain view, which they opened arefully, fearing that it might-contain but they found in it wine, biscuits and sweets.

RUSSIAN'S JOURNEY THROUGH JAPAN.

Moscow, Dec. 23 .- V. T. Crazuesky, correspondent of the Russkay Slava, has just arrived at San Francisco after a long and hazardous trip through Japan where he travelled as an American journalist under the name of Percy Palmer. He undertook the journey to ascertain the real situation of affairs in the enemy's country. He had a complete American oufit and arranged to have letters forwarded from various cities in the United States. He has telegraphed to the Russkay Slava from Sam Francisco that he visited Yoko-hama, Tokio, Sasebo and several other cities, photographed the Russian prison camp, examined the hospitals, fortress

stories. He says his most dangerous moment was when he inspected 3,000 Russian prisoners. If he had been recognized by one of them he would are building winter quarters.

(建型): IMPRESSIVE SCENE AT BURIAL OF COSSACKS.

Mukden, Nov. 25 .- (Special correndence of the Associated Press.)they are very sentimental and susceptible to emotion. A most striking sight are being duplicated. Thousands of recruits and reservists are assembled Fourth Regiment, to which the men belonged, was accorded the place of honor. Aoyam soaking through the covering were hid-

place before the table, the order, "Hats wer of an actual or threatened rising blessed the bodies and they were raised China, will seek to secure the inter- on the shoulders and borne up the hill eign proclamations circulating in China followed on foot like the rest, and, after the Cossacks placed the bodies in the open graves, the priest threw in a hand-ful of earth and read the offices. Then STEAMER NIGRETIA. the general shook hands with the priest,

> cut a cross on his cartridge before firing. Tokio, Dec. 24.-Admiral Togo anounces the withdrawal of the majority of the fleet from Port Arthur. Admiral Togo, telegraphing under the ate of December 22nd, says:

"After 203-Metre Hill was occupied, as the result of a gallant and desperate attack by the besieging army, the bombardment of the enemy's squadron by siege and other heavy guns became effect tive. In consequence the battleship Poltava and Retvizan were sunk, and subsequently the battleships Pobieda and Peresviet, the protected cruiser Pallada and the armored cruiser Bayan were

"The battleship Sevastopol escaped the land bombardment, left the harbor transmission.)-The Russians along the Chentao mountain. She was attacked front of Gen. Oku's army during the there continuously by our torpedo boats

"The main strength of the enemy is completely crushed. Only a weak gun-boat, the Otyashnyi, and several torpedo Dismounted Russian cavalry attacked | boat destroyers remain affoat.

"Under the circumstances our combin ed fleet has been removed as unnecessary from the blockade of Port Arthur, which had been maintained since May 1st. "I have arranged for a closer watch for ships attempting to run the blockade One 15 centimetre gun in each of the forts and to watch the remnant of the enemy's During the blockade we suffered from

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ber 24th and subsequently occupied these

the enemy's mines, both laid and floating our force, at 2.55 this (Sunday) morning, on the high seas, and from dense fogs The cruisers Miyako, Sayon and Yoshino Battske (battleship), Kaimon (gunboat) and Heiyen (coast defence vessel), were days have been uniformly successful. All the enemy's advanced positions fronting unk, and many gallant and loval officers our right wing are now in our hands." nd men were killed, but we succeeded RUSHING WORK ON maintain the blockade.

When the enemy emerged from the arbor our fleet successfully engaged THE THIRD SQUADRON St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—Admiral Birileff is quoted in an interview as say-ing that all shipyards in the Baltic are im, and finally, with the valuable sup ert of the troops, we destroyed the ene squadron During the blockade all the ships unworking night and day that the third squadron will go out in two sections. The admiral pledges himself to have the first section ready by February, and the

second a little later.

THE NORGE DISASTER.

Judgment of the Maritime and Commer

cial Court Has Been Handed

Down.

GOING TO THIBET.

Conditions There.

ests He was commanded in the latter

art of September to proceed to Thibet

and was created a metropolitan officer of

the third rank. He was also promoted

to the military rank of lieutenant-general.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Ottawa, Dec. 27. — Major Dela-ronde, of the 42nd regiment, Ottawa, has been appointed chief of police here. Berkeley Powell has refused the Con-

A. E. Donly, brother of Hal. B

Donly, who ran against Col. Tisdale at

the last federal elections, has been ap

FIGHT WITH NEGROES.

Two Policemen Were Fatally Injured-

Battle Lasted Half an Hour.

New York, Dec. 25 .- Two policemen

fatally injured, a third badly hurt and

four negroes locked up is the result of

a battle that took place early to day in North Plainfield, N. J., between fire

men, policemen and citizens on one side

Marshal Joseph Flacker and Specia

Peliceman William Kelin arendying in

Tems, Albert Tunstall and Joseph Hen-

The negroes had been standing on the street corners, yelling "Merry Christmas"

at every one who passed and demanding money to buy drinks. Two policemen attempted to arrest the gang and were

A crowd hung about the jail for hours,

and all through the day, in both Plain-

BROTHERS MURDERED.

Two Young Men Shot While on Their

Way From Church-Companion

Wounded.

Midkiff, W. Va., Dec. 25.-Two men

ire dead and a third dying from bullets

are dead and a third dying from butters fired in the darkness to-night while they were going home from church. The dead are: Lucien Lucas, aged 23; Ira Lucas, a brother, aged 20. Dying: Octave Adkins, aged 19.

The Lucas brothers and young Adkins, at the close of the service, started home

along the railroad track with Miss Mabel Williams. They were passing

Mabel Williams. They were passing through a cut flanked by dense woods

when they became targets for a rain of

oullets. Lucian Lucas, whose arm Miss

Williams was holding, fell dead at her

side. Ira Lucas dropped mortally

rounded and died in a few minutes. Ad-

kins received two bullets, one entering

his breast and the other his right shoul-

der. Miss Williams, who was unhurt,

was left standing alone with two dead

turned and rushed down the railroad

JEALOUS MAN'S ACT

Shot Woman Twice at a Party and Then

Turned Revolver on Himself.

bly dying at a hospital in this city.

n Stumpton, three miles from this

ed the dishes and furniture. Later Mrs.

Lowney and children went to a neigh-

bor's, where a party was in progress.

Brennan came indand shot Mrs. Lowner

FLED FROM RUSSIA.

nan came here from Butte.

The couple are engaged to be mar-

Brennan has been on a spree and

quarreling with the woman smash-

men and one dying at her feet.

returning from church.

derson, all residents of Plainfield.

and/a gang of negroes on the other.

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commercial agent for Canada i

er my command splendidly accomplish-d the work and duty assigned to them. pecially to be noted are some of those who are engaged in the difficult and risky ask of blockading, or who tirelessly acaplished the work of laying mines in presence of the enemy, and others who braving all danger were engaged in the work of clearing mines away, thers still who were posted to watch the emy and guard against the enemy nips. Their combined work contribute to the accomplishment of the blockade. eem it my duty to especially mention my recognition of the valuable services idered by the officers and men."

PRAISE FOR CREWS OF THE TORPEDO BOATS. Tokio, Dec. 24.-10.10 a.m.-An in

rial rescript dispatched to Vice-Adfraf Togo says: "We hear with great satisfaction that ur torpedo flotillas engaged in the work puired of them at Port Arthur have liantly and successfully accomplished he duties required of them, and in so do ng had to brave the dangers of storms and shells by day and night.

"Despite all the difficulties confronting them, they have succeeded in performing their duties without the least confusion rendering one another mutual assistance "We especially note their brave and oval performance of the duties required f them and express our approbation heir gallant behavior."

___ GENERAL SAYS TROOPS MUST NOT RETREAT

Mukden, Dec. 25.-General Kouropat rin, addressing the troops to-day, said: "You must never allow yourselves to re-treat. Even in the case of the smallest detachment, having once formed

A Japanese battery opened fire De by the Russian fire. The general situation is quiet, though Chinese report that the Japanese are strengthening their left flank, as though in contemplation of a turning movement. On the other hand, the

Japanese in many places apparently

REINFORCEMENTS FOR FIELD MARSHAL OYAMA

Tokio, Dec. 25.-5 p.m.-Tokio / is again a great military camp, and the scenes of last spring, when the first Wild and rough as are the Cossacks, armies were mobilized and dispatched, was that of the whole of Mistchenko's drilling and equipping preparatory to division paying respect to the remains of taking the field. The permanent and the four Cossacks killed below Sinde, temporary barracks are filled, and it is Sistnko and his staff were there, and the necessary to billet soldiers brought to

Aoyama field is the centre of activity, There were no coffins, the bodies being where infantry, cavalry and artillery are wrapped in straw, but smothered with wild flowers that ghastly bloodstains blank charges for the purpose of breaking in the new horses. The general den till the corpses were interred. The churchly accessories were scanty. On an old table, bought from a deserted a record total of half a million men, with an old table, bought from a deserted Chinese, was placed a regimental ikon, and before it a single wax candle.

The priest of the Barnaulski regiment officiated, and when he rook his place before the table, the order, "Hats

The port of Kelung, in Formosa, has been declared in a state of siege, Winter is not interfering with the Japanese transport service.

The railway between Dalny and Yentime between Tokio and Liao Yang is

six days.

REPORTED REPULSE OF JAPANESE TROOPS

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.-Gen. Kour patkin reports having made a reconnais-sance in force in the direction of the Japanese positions at Bentsiaputze. The Russians forced an entry into hanking him for his attendance on the Bentsiaputze, occupied some positions dead soldiers. Mistchenko then briefly and repulsed the counter attacks of addressed the men, warning them, under two battalions of Japanese with great two battalions of no circumstances, to commit any reprisal loss, the Japanese leaving nine prison-on the dead or wounded Japanese who ers in the hands of the Russians. The may fall into their hands, and, so far as Russian losses were three officers and I have ever heard, this mandate has six men killed, and three officers and 31, been observed. But before the day was men wounded the night of December out we had another skirmish with the 23rd.

Japanese, and I heard that every man Tokio, Dec. 24.—The Japanese forces sieging Port Arthur yesterday stormed and now hold the heights east of Houvangshukou. A dispatch from the Japanese army

before Port Arthur, timed midnight, says: "On December 22nd the Russian de fence works on the heights east of Houyangshukou, Sungshu mountain, Riblung mountain, and the 'H' forts, were bombarded by the Japanese with neavy guns, which inflicted considerable

"As a result of the bombardment the Japanese right wing at dawn on December 23rd attacked the enemy on the heights east of Houvangshukou and captured the ridge and heights at 7.40 in the tracks until shelmet others who were orning.

"The enemy afterwards concentrate his fire from several forts at Tai Yangkou and Yahutsui upon our newly pied position, following this with a de termined counter-attack, during which hand grenades were thrown, but our force finally repulsed the enemy. Later as the enemy's bombardment abated we constructed some defensive works so that our occupation became more assured." as a result of our heavy guns, bom ardment during and before the attack,

was destroyed. The covers were also nsiderably damaged. "According to the statement of prison-rs captured at Keekwan mountain on December 18th, and of the Russians who rendered in the vicinity of Etz mounn on December 22nd during the battle 203-Metre Hill, Gen. Kondrantenko. nmander of the Seventh East Siberiin division, and Gen. Irman, commander of the Fourth artillery brigade, were kill-ed, and Gen. Fock, commanding the

Tokio, Dec. 25.—(3.30 p. m.)—The fol-owing report was received this morning rom the Japanese army besieging Port the enemy at Housanyeantum and Siao fantun at 10.25 on the night of Decem-

coupled the whole of Talluchiatun.
"Our repeated attacks of the past few

GOVERNMENT DECIDES ON VIGOROUS MEASURES

Disorders Will be Suppressed With a Firm Hand-Zemstvos Must Curb Their Activities.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The follow Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 24.—The Maritime and Commercial court handed down judgment to-day in the case of the ng communication was issued by the overnment early this morning. "In the autumn of this year there was

Danish steamer Norge, which foundered meeting in St. Petersburg od severa on June 8th of this year 290 miles from Zemstvos of the various governments he Scottish Mainland, with the loss of who expressed a series of desires con 646 lives. The directors of the company erning what are, in their opinion, indisvere acquitted, and Capt. Gundle was cquitted of the charge that neglect of nsable reforms in the different governents of the empire. These desires were buty caused the loss of the vessel, or con-ributed to the magnitude of the dismade the subjects of action by members of various other assemblies which met for e purpose and also, knowing the proviions of law, were considered at the de-Chinese Official Will Investigate the endeavored to introduce discord into public and state life, excitement arose in the inds of certain sections of society, chiefly among impressionable youths. In Tientsin, Dec. 27 Tang Shao Ki, Tao ertain towns of the empire there occur-Tai of Tientsin, left this morning en red a series of noisy meetings, which deroute to Thibet to investigate conditions manded the presentation to the governent of certain demands which were in-Tang Shao Ki, who was educated at admissable in the face of the sacred Yale College, was formerly secretary to undations of the laws of the empire Yuan Shai Kan, viceroy of Chili prov and the indestructible elements which ce. He is conversant with foreign orm the government. These sections of affairs, and is not considered anti-for eign, although jealous of Chinese inter the public made street demonstrations in pands and openly resisted the police au-

thority. order of the government which have fallen adversely upon the bulk of the ance of a general tendency. The Russian people involved in this movement, lorgetful of the grievous year which has allen to the lot of Russia, blinded by chimerical hopes of profits which they might expect from a radical change in cate and life and not knowing what

not of the country, but of its enamies. the true course of internal life. Theredisorders, especially persons employed in

"Zemstvos and town councils and every form of institution must not go beyond the limits provided for them and Mahlenburg hospital, the former with a deep knife thrust below the right shoulden and with razor cuts over his entire body, 66 sitches having been required to close the wounds. A third policeman, Walter O. Smalley, is at his home, his face battered and bruised.

The prisoners are Samuel Hunt, Walter must not concern themselves in questions in the consideration of which they have no legal authority. Presidents of public meetings who allow consideration to take place of matters not in their provof questions of general government -are liable under the existing laws, and organs of the press with the knowledge of the responsibility which resis upon them, must for their part introduce the necessary calming effect on public life, which has deviated in recent times from its proper course

Convention at Moscow.

knocked down and beaten. They did not shoot for fear of hitting onlookers. Then firemen and citizens joined in the Moscow, Dec. 27 .- The Zemstvo congress of the Moscow government opened battle, which was waged nearly half an to-day. Prince Tributezkoi, the president, in his opening address dwelt upon When the negroes were about to be the serious condition of Russia and the crowd of "Bring a rope!" and "Lynch them!" The policemen warned the hotwhich could not be anticipated, as well as a grave economical crisis through which the country is passing, and the inheaded to keep away, but members of the crowd got close enough to strike the ternal disorganization of the Empire. All this, he said, lay as a heavy yoke on the Russian people and produced the confield and North Plainfield, there were frequent tilts between white men and

der which it labored. Prince Tributezkoi then proposed the adoption and forwarding to Emperor Nicholas of a resolution announthat to commemorate the birth of Charevitch Zemstvos had set aside the capital sum of \$150,000 to be devoted o the construction of new schools, and that the Emperor should be asked to name the new foundation after his son Continuing, the Prince declared that Minister of the Interior Sviatopolk-Mirsky's assurances of confidence in the people had given the Zemstvo new power to serve the state. The Zemstvo had ence to assemble at The Hague should firm confidence in the Emperor. They that course be adopted." believed the happy day was nigh when, through the Imperial will, the present regime, which had estranged the supreme power from the people, would be changed the day on which the Emperor would summon freely elected representa-tives of the people to participate in egislation, through whose co-operation he Imperial power and greatness of the brone would be strengthened and the riumphant development of the Father-and assured. The development, the Prince said, was dependent upon the immutability of the principles of the law, the inviolability of person and equality of rights for all citizens, as well as freelom of speech and faith, which would bring them a strengthening of the close and strong ties between the throne and the people, and enable them to co-operate for the good of the Fatherland. The address was adopted by a majority of the votes in the congress.

Comments on Ukase

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27 .- The reform ikase is given an especially favorable Leadville. Coloil Dec. 25 .- As a result the jealous rage of Patrick Brennan, oth he and Mrs. Kate Lowney are proband hope this will realize all the best expectations of the most liberal minded Brennan was boarding with Mrs. owney at the latter's boarding house

warmth and life into national existence throughout the Empire." Taking the provisions of the ukase separately, the Novoe Vremya says the ointment of ministers to the committees for dealing with the several prob-lems involved will form a connecting link breining what is thought to be fatal injuries. He then turned the revolver upon himself and is dying. Brennore effectively. A common council, the paper says, will dissipate such misunder-standing and friction hereafter existing between departmental chiefs. The Novoe New York, Dec. 25.—The Hamburg ine steamer Patricia, which arrived to lay from Hamburg, brought 131 cabin and 345 steerage passengers. The devoted to the peasant question, which is made to the peasant question, which is one of the most serious and interest devoted to the peasant question, which Vremya characterizes the ukase as a

better day, and bring more light and

put in a fair way of accurate and satis-Dynamite Outrage. London, Dec. 27 .- A dispatch from St.

Petersburg to a news agency says the Russian authorities have closed Moscow University until February 1st owing to ecent disturbances.

According to the same source of infor mation, during the riots at Raxon two ailway bridges were blown up, and an ttempt was made to dynamite statue of Alexander II., but only the steps were injured.

SUGGESTS FURTHER INTERCHANGE OF VIEWS

United States Secretary of State Has Forwarded Another Note to Powers Regarding Conference.

Washington, Dec. 25 .- That the furner interchange of views preparatory to the formulation of a programme for another peace conference at The Hague be effected through the international bureau under the control of the permanent administrative council of The Hague is the suggestion offered by Secretary twos. Thus by the action of people, who Hay in a second circular note to the is the suggestion offered by Secretary powers made public at the state depart- day. Even in those hours when the nent to-day.

The note was dispatched a week ago. the note was dispatched a week ago, but its publication was withheld until it had reached the various American embassies and legations abroad. The secretary summarizes the replies of all the way to the patient waiters. The source expresses the gratification of the Presi- faith was placed on their truthfulness. lent at the cordial reception of his invita-

The note in part is as follows: "The replies so far received indicate that the proposition has been received with general favor. No dissent has "Such movements against the existing found expression. The governments of Austria-Hungary, Denmark, France, light there had been a decided change in Russian people, who are loyal to the excitement government, gave to the excitement way and Switzerland exhibit sympathy with the purposes of the proposal and ing out for conviction of murder in the generally accept it in principle, with a first degree. reservation of the date of the conference and the programme of subjects for dis-

"The replies of Japan and Russia conveyed in like terms a friendly recognition the ancient foundation of the Russian of the spirit and purposes of the invitastate and life and not knowing what tion, but on the part of Russia the reply they were doing, acted to the advantage, was accompanied by the statement that ot of the country, but of its enemies. in the existing condition of things in the "Now the duty of the government is to Far East it would not be practicable for preserve order in the state and protect the public confidence from all change in to take part in such a conference.

"While this reply, tending as it does fore any destruction of order and peace and all meetings of an anti-government posed second conference, is deeply recharacter must and will be stopped by all legal means at the disposition of the authorities; and those concerned in these ment, and probably others.

"Japan made the reservation only that to be called. She was revived considerthe government service, will be held re no action should be taken by the confer- ably, but it was feared that she would e relative to the present war.

"Although the prospect of an early convocation of an august assembly of epresentatives of the nations in the interest of peace and harmony among them is deferred for the time being, it may be the court building to wait until a verdict regarded as assured so soon as the inter-ested powers are in a position to agree been arrived at. upon a date and place of meeting and to join in the formulation of a general plan for discussion "In view of the virtual certainty that

the President's suggestion of The Hague as the place of meeting of a second peace outerence will be accepted by all the in-erested powers, and in view also of the fact that an organized representation of the signatories of the acts of 1899 now exists at that capital, this government feels that it should not assume the initiative in drawing up a programme nor agreement of the powers to meet in a second peace conference is virtually accomplished so far as it is appropriate for him to act, and that with the general acceptance of his invitation in principle. the future conduct of the affair fifly follow its normal channels. To this end it is suggested that the further and necessary interchange of views between the signatory powers of the acts of 1899 be effected through the international bureau under the control of the perman-It is believed in this way, but utilizing the central representative agency established and maintained by the powers preliminary consultations may be insured, and the way left clear for the eventual action of the government of the Netherlands in calling a renewed confer-

FATAL FIRES.

Four People Lost Their Lives in Phila-

delphia on Christmas Day. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 25.-Four men were suffocated and eight other persons were rescued from fire in three different parts of the city early to-day. At a boarding house at 1545 Wood street Charles McKuster, Chas. Merry and Joseph McGill died in a trap made by themselves. The three men took a quantity of whiskey to their room and placed a bed-against the door to prevent nterference. After they had retired a lighted candle fell from the mantel and ignited the clothes of one of the men. McGill was awakened by the smoke, but fell to the floor unconscious. When the room was broken into McKuster and Merry were found dead. McGill died some time after being removed to a

At 1136 Fairmont avenue Edward reception by the press. The Novoe Vremya, concluding a long analysis of New Jersey, was suffocated. It is the document, says: "We firmly believe thought the bed clothing took fire from lighted cigar, and, in trying to leave the room, the man crawled into a closet Russians, and hope and believe also that it will be the means of the dawning of a In a fire in a house at 4226 German town avenue, Mrs. David Deen and either rescued by firemen or saved themselves by jumping from windows. A driving snowstorm was raging at the ime, and they suffered much from ex-

SCHOONER DISABLED.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.-While entering the bay this morning after completing a voyage from Grays harbor, the steam schooner Chehalis lost her propeller. She had on board a cargo of lumber for San Pedro, to which port she has proceeded in tow of the steam schooner Norwood.

Was to have begun October 17th, but failed in consequence of the vigillance of the police.

This report is considered strange, continues the correspondent, as all the heads of the movement are known as great Republicans. The senate, according to the ing the bay this morning after complet-

JURY IN PATTERSON CASE DISCHARGED

WERE UNABLE TO AGREE ON A VERDICT

District Attorney Says if Majority Favored Acquittal, the Proceedings May Be Dropped.

New York, Dec. 23 .- Even in the face f certain knowledge that news of the sult of the jury's deliberations would not be forthcoming until after 10 o'clock to-day, scores of persons remained all night around the Criminal court building, hoping to be the first to hear the verdict in the case of Nan Patterson. Driven from the building just before midnight, when the jury was locked up

for the night by order of Justice Day the curious crowd gathered in little kn in sheltered places in the vicinity to wand speculate and insure for themsel an advantageous position in the ght which came through the wind of the jury room indicated that the in powers to his note of October 21st, and of these rumors no one knew, and little

In the early night mysterious informaion had it that the jury stood firm on the basis of nine for acquittal, one for Austria-Hungary, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Luxemburg, Mexico, the Netchrlands, Portu-

> Of course there was absolutely nothing to substantiate these rumors, but every bit of gossip was anxiously seizel upon by those who had waited so long.

> A little after 7 o'clock this morning the jurors, guarded by court officers, marched out to a near-by restaurant for their morning meal. As they came through the Franklin street exit the jurors met a crowd of no less than 200 persons. Nothing could be learned from the faces of the jurors, which expressed

nothing but weariness.

Nan Patterson collapsed in the Tombs to-day so completely that the efforts of the matron and warden and her father to help her were of no avail, and Dr. Levin, the physician at the prison, had collapse again when she went to the courtroom. As soon as she was completely composed she was led across the Bridge of Sighs to the criminal court building. She was taken to the "pen" in

Failed to Agree.

New York, Dec. 23 .- Mr. Justice Davis arrived in the courtroom shortly before 11.30 o'clock, and immediately sent an officer of the court to summon the jury to the courtroom presumably to inquire whether they had reached a verdict. The jury reported to the judge that they had been unable to agree on a verdict, and were sent back for further

deliberation. District Attorney Jerome said: "In ifiative in drawing up a programme nor preside over the deliberations of the signatories in that regard. It seems to the President that the high task he undertook in seeking to bring about an will never be tried again." vill never be tried again."

At 12.51 the jury reported that they bould not agree, and they were discharged. The jury was not po When the jury came in at 12.50 Miss Patterson became nervous. The color of her face seemed to deepen, if that were possible, and her whole attitude showed that she was undergoing keen suffering. When the jury reported their disagreement and the justice discharged them, she turned to her father and threw he self on his shoulders, weeping bitterly. ent administrative council of The Hague. Up to the last she had hoped to be free in time to go home to Washington to spend Christmas with her mother. The old man tried to comfort her, but she fell themselves, an orderly treatment of the fainting in his arms. The girl was revived from her fainting spell, but con-

tinued to sob hysterically. Justice Davis thanked the jurors, and emanded Miss Patterson to the Tombs. She was led out sobbing violently and in a state of severe nervousness.

After the rest of the jury had left the ourtroom, the foreman remained and had a consultation with Justice Dayis. As the foreman of the jury left the courtroom he said the vote throughout had been six to six. He said six were for acquittal, but whether the others we for murder in the first degree or not he

would not say.

The prosecuting afterney, Mr. Rand, would not say what the further co of the prosecution would be. The foreman said that only one ballot was taken. It was then found that there was such a vast difference of opinion that the remainder of the time was taken up in argument.

It was reported that the six votes for conviction stood as follows: One for murder in the second degree, two for manslaughter in the first degree, and three for manslaughter in the second degree. It is said there was no vote for murder in the first degree.

TO OVERTHROW REPUBLIC Reported to Have Been the Object of the Recent Disturbances at Rio

de Janeiro. New York, Dec. 24.—The chief of po-

ice has handed to the government the result of his investigation of the recent disturbances, cables the Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, correspondent of the Herald. He says the object was to overthrow the republic. It was proposed, according to the report, that Senator Lauro Sodre should be dictator until the re-establishment of the monarchy. The revolution was to have begun October 17th, but

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INCIDENTS OF A NOTABLE VOYAGE

OF SHIP ATTRACTING WORLD'S ATTENTION

The Minnesota's Troubles - Her Be havior as Seagoing Craft and Some Interesting Features.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

With the arrival of the steamship Minnesota an important epoch in the commerce of the Pacific has been reached The Times last evening gave some interesting facts and figures about this great leviathan in mercantile marine, but, owing to the lateness of the hour at which the tender Otter returned to port in the afternoon, some incidents in connection with the ship's arrival and of her voyage were omitted. The day having been stormy, as was

the preceding night when the ship dropped anchor in the Royal Roads, many were disappointed, comparatively few citizens being courageous enough to make any of the trips on the tender. As the whether her huge holds can always be Minnesota refused to stir from her filled remains part of the experiment to anchorage, the Otter had to make several runs from the outer wharf, conveying out to the liner the Chinese crew, which has here been domiciled for tha which has here been domiciled for the in water, at least an impression of this last few weeks, awaiting the ship's kind is gathered by those not familiar arrival. These men hailed with delight with the construction of ships. For inthe end of their long confinement, and stance while the steamer is two or three cheered lustily as they boarded the times the size of the Shawmut, one of steamer in the Roads. They had been under the close surveillance of those who were responsible to the Dominion government to the tune of something like \$85. 000 for their safe keeping, and were never permitted to leave the sned in which they were detained at the outer

These men once aboard, the Minnesota turned her curious bow to the east a field of speculation the most imaginward, leaving for Seattle at 2.10 o'clock, a little late, but time enough, J. D. Far-rell thought, to reach Seattle by 9 o'clock. It had been hoped by the citizens of that city that she would reach there in daylight, thus giving those awaiting her an opportunity of carrying out the elaborate celebration programme arranged for her reception. Five Seattle newspaper representatives were on hand to meet the ship and to describe her and report her movements, there being no such water-front event of the kind since the days when the first Klondike treasure steamer hove in sight, and newspaper men from Seattle, San Francisco and Victoria gathered here and vied with on another

in keen rivalry.

The Minnesota has been oft described, but reports of her voyage from San Francisco, of mutiny, fire, etc., aboard had tended to excite an interest in the remaining part of the trip, and to cause a certain speculation on what might hap pen as the Minnesota neared her destina

Capt. Truebridge was asked concern ing these reports, and made no denial. He frankly stated that at times various members of the crew rebelled, and he had to put them in irons until they cooled down, also that on two or three occa-sions fire broke out in the bunkers, causing considerable trouble. "But," added Things like this are bound to happen. This whole ship is an experiment, and when the bunkers have been better in-Truebridge acknowledged that the coal the United States, and it is believed that submitted seven of the larger proprietors and Hamilton replied if You are." A caught fire through being too close to the this year the demand has been greater -larger commercially, of course-held a boilers, a fault which can, he says, be easily rectified. On one occasion while passing through the Tropics on the Pacific, the fire assumed serious dimensions, and before it could be extinguished the whole side of the ship affected was almost red hot, the deck being so to the dealers and getting a dollar a inscription "declined," whether with or warm that it could not be walked on, and the fire room so deluged that the firemen had to work to their knees in water. Thanks to an excellent fire fighting apparatus, however, the flames were enched before leaving the bunkers. Bad fuel added to the firemen's difficulties and to the retarding of the passage, that obtained at Coronel being of a quality that would flare up like gas when coming in contact with fire. This coal jasted no time in the furnaces. Capt. Truebridge thinks lightly of all

the troubles of the voyage, many of which were due to an obstinate crew of foreigners and he manifested a distinct ply is now exhausted, much to the disappride in his ship. The Minnesota, he says, had a tate of bad weather coming | neglected to speak for it in time. Many north, but heavy seas made no very per-ceptible difference in the even motion of of these trees, as a tour of the city and the ship. All aboard speak in admir-ation of this, and say that the worst she present an indescribable charm, the force will do will lay over on her side a little. of which can hardly be appreciated by The speed of the ship on her trial run | Victorians while dwelling in the midst of was 17.4 knots per hour, equivalent to an abundance of it. It is to be hoped the best that can be done by any of the that it will be cultivated on a larger Oriental fleet, but this was not main- scale even than in the past. There are at home-shaving, lacerated countenances tained rounding the Horn. No attempt some citizens who are growing holly was made to rush the steamer, and it is | quite extensively, notably F. B. Pember-

e accomplished.

In appearance the Minnesota, though tion. It should be borne in mind that the production of holly requires time. From the sanctum sanctorum in the temple of massive, is no beauty. Her lines are not | the planting of the seed two years must those of the ocean greyhound or yacht, elapse before the plant manifests itself. but of the bulky freighter with straight | Then several years more must pass besides, an eliptical stern, a curious blunt fore the holly tree assumes the propor barber unions and the employers. A like bow, flush deck fore and aft, and tions which are the delight of so many several stories of house work amidship, visitors to the city at this time of the eveloping a tremendous somestack. In year. There is no demand for the holly final steps in connection with the attiappointment and equipment she has been | which does not bear berries. pretty fully described. Innumerable steam and electrical winches, up-to-date other plants for decorative purposes at derricks and what looks like a great Christmas is one of considerable antiflotilla of boats (naphtha and row) are quity, and has been regarded as a sursome of the attractions that first meet | vival of the usages of the Roman Saturnthe eye. The house perhaps takes up a alia or of an old Teutonic practice of third of the length of the ship, but the hanging the interior of dwellings with latter is so large that everything and evergreens as a refuge for Sylvan more than is included in a first-class spirits from the inclemency of the hotel is provided. Magnificent suites of weather. A Border proverb defines an rooms, library, smoking room, parlors, habitual story teller as one "lees never barber shop, children's play room, dining but when the hollen is green." Several plication to amend the order of May, of

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all is the great size of the steamer. Although the largest carrier, the Minnesota, however, falls short of the length of the Baltic. But she will doubtless remain the largest ocean-going craft in Victorians, anxious to see the huge craft, the Pacific for many years. She will, it is said, be full of cargo on her initial trip to the Orient and the Philippines, leaving the Sound next month, but which Capt. Truebridge probably alluded. After having read of the steamer's building and seeing her now afloat, one is ant to form a misconception of her size the biggest liners visiting this coast she loes not look it, and only after inspecting the ship can one come to any correct

view of her great dimensions.

The Great Northern Steamship Company in operating the Minnesota suctal trade, revealing to the eyes of many

VICTORIA IS SOURCE OF GENERAL SUPPLY

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America.

Victoria, thanks to the advertisement it has received in late years, is now known throughout the continent as the 'evergreen city," the "picturesque city," the "garden city," and several other appellations, but there is no reason why in addition to these it should not bear the distinction of being the "holly city" of America. It has furnished many hundreds of pounds of this beautiful decorative plant to all quarters of Canada and the Living States and it is believed that the larger proprietors.

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was unsuccessful. Canada, several firms having sent large quantities as far East as Quebec. A vast amount of it went to Vancouver and other sections of the province. The suppointment of a host of local people, who possible that her greatest feat has yet to ton, who has several acres under cultivation. It should be borne in mind that the

The custom of employing holly and The passenger accommodation is undoubtedly as good as seen on the Pacific, batch of unlucky Victorians in town, as tors. the case there will be a pretty fair-sized H. Lawson and D. M. Rogers for crediand considerably in advance of that on some houses began to take on their other Oriental liners. The equipment in- Christmas garb several days ago. In was made as to service. The order was cludes every electrical device known in Derbyshire the tradition obtains that ac made, an advertisement to be inserted in maritime life, and to the average Pacific | cording as the holly brought into the | paper. coaster will prove a revelation. Such house is smooth or rough the wife or husused in such places are also features not esteemed and cherished in Worcestergenerally seen on steamers plying these shire and Herefordshire, the possession waters. The engines, boilers and other of a small branch with berries being supparts of the ship have been referred to so often that it would be superfluors to often that it would be superfluous to cerus mentions a notion in his prime vulgarly prevalent in Germany that conse-To those not contemplating a trip or to crated twigs of the plant hung over the sils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and

LINER ARRIVED FROM AUSTRALIA FRIDAY INQUIRY INTO

The Aorangi Had the Heaviest Cargo Ever Brought From the Antipodean Colonies.

The R. M. S. Aorangi, Capt. Phillips rrived from Australia on Friday with very heavy cargo aboard. Instead of anding at the ocean docks the steamer order to avoid any danger in landing at the outer wharves with the other steamers lying there, including the Yangtse. The pilot considered it safer to avoid the risk of any accident in the rough weather prevailing. The voyage was an uneventful one

with good weather until nearing Cape Flattery. Off that point a heavy southheavy snow storm raging off the Cape. The saloon passengers for Victoria arriving by the Aorangi were: Mrs. Brenham and son, Mrs. E. Heales, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hughes, Mrs. Ritchie and infant, Miss M. Murray, Paul Bernhardt, W. Reid, H. B. Cameron, Miss E. Martin, A. Lassel, J. Whatham, J. Craveston, Mrs. Forberg and son, J. O. Pewiala, Mr. Osterode, Mrs. Osterode and family of three, Mrs. Urquhart and

board. Capt. J. A. Stewart Balmain, 15th Hussars, private secretary to the Governor-General of Australia, is returning to England on leave from His Excelency's staff, to present himself for ex-

daughter, Mr. Bunting and E. Clifton

Riley. She had also thirty Japanese on

amination for higher rank. very marked, and is general throughout Australia. Rapid strides are being made in business as a perusal of the export had broken loose, Hamilton intried from statistics readily prove, and which it is the barroom hoped with good seasons will continue. The commercial relations between Australia, Canada and the United States, show a decided improvement.

The steamer brought the largest cargo cessfully will demonstrate to the world Australia for Canadian and United the enormous potentialities of the Orien-States points. It would appear from her is increasing as a medium between the Antipodes and Canada, both as regards ruddy complexion, and in questioning the passenger traffic and freight carrying

> Included among the freight for this The steamer had also 2,239 railway sleepers of Australian hardwood, which will be landed at Vangouver.

F. E. Bellmaine having resigned his position as purser in the service, has retired. His place has been taken by P. Coxall. The Aorangi left about 11.45 for Van-

A TONSORIAL DISPUTE.

There are ominous rumblings in the cal tonsorial field which fortell an upheaval. The barbers' union has present neaval. The barbers union has presented the employers with a demand, nay, an ultimatum, and if its wishes are not acceded to by the 1st of January some of the shops will be harberless. The union demands that the schedule of prices now in operation be amended by the imposition of a tariff of five cents per neck shave and five cents. shave and five cents per moustache manipulation, in other words, moustache

This amendment was decided upon at meeting. Three of them voted in favor without thanks it is impossible to say. This action was taken consequent casting vote of the chair-

union sent in minority reports, explaining their attitudes. They claim that they tors in the city, for there are eight who did not attend their meeting. These Holly has been shipped to Eastern eight, they further contend, are unanimously in favor of an amended tariff.

They aver, however, that if a strike is ordered only those shops which are op-posed to the demands of the union will e affected. Their own establishments, they say, will continue to do business at

the old stands. If it is an understood thing that the strike order will affect but a comparaively few of the local tonsorial lishments, the good people of Victoria need not be unnecessarily alarmed. It was first reported that the strike would close up all the shops, a report which caused undisguised dismay throughout the town. Visions of wild-eyed attempts and innumerable breaches of the third ommandment arose in the minds meeting of the local barbers' organization will be held this evening, when the

tude they have adopted will be taken. LEGAL NEWS.

In Chambers on Friday Mr. Justice Martin disposed of the following appli-Ah Sam vs. 43rd Mining Company-An application was made by Lindley Crease to retain \$2,120.25 out of the proceeds of

execution. The order was made. Re Lenora Mining Company—An ap-

Re Victoria Tax Sale-Application

Bryden et al vs. Helmcken-A motion things as an elevator and a laundry, band will be the master. Holly that has was made with respect to the appointfurnished with all modern machinery adorned churches at that season is much ment of a receiver. C. H. Holland was Hale vs. Atlin & Willow Creek Mining

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen uten-

forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

WOUNDED MAN HAD A VERY NARROW ESCAPE

passed into Esquimalt in order to discharge her passengers and freight. This Would Have Been Almost Instantly Killed.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Had the knife with which Wm. Maclaire received a masty cut in the neck ast gale and thick weather were encountered. This delayed the arrival of the Aorangi for nearly a day. There was a not have been able to tell his story be on top of the snow covered pavements fore the magistrate in the police court and sidewalks the rain has formed a this morning. As a matter of fact he crust of ice, and New York to-day was wouldn't have lived long enough to go to the nearest drug store. The blade with which the cutting was dome required but very little extra pressure to open a jugular vein or the carotid artery open a jugular vein or the carotid artery which would have caused almost instantaneous deam.

The wound was inflicted in the Omin-

eca saloon Government street, between eight and nine o'clock Saturday evening. Machaire and some seafaring companions went into the saloon to exchange Christmas greetings in the usual convivial way. A quarrel between Maclaire and the accused, Wm. Hamilton, suddenly arose and the two scuffled in a corner. When they separated it was Passengers arriving state that the re-overy from the recent drought has been gist sent him to a doctor, and thither he gist sent him to a doctor, and thither he went, Dr. Hart attending to his injuries.

This is the substance of the account of the affair given by Maclaire and several other witnesses in the police court this morning. When the case was called Hamilton, the accused, elected to be tried by the magistrate. The informatio amended so as to charge him with "un States points. It would appear from her fawfully wounding by cutting," instead manifest that the popularity of the line of by stabbing. The accused pleaded not witnesses appeared to know just what questions to employ to elicit answers favorable to his case. Mackaire, the man city was 1,000 bags Sunlight oil cake and who was cut, is much smaller than his

opponent in the Ominecal scrap.

The informant's story was substantial. ly as follows: He saw the accused, who by the way he didn't know, in the Omin eca saldon on Saturday evening between eight and hine o'clock. He had no conversation with him until he called Mac laire a "Scotch prig," an indecent epithet The informant warned Hamilton to lefrain from calling him hames and threat-ened to strike him if he persisted. The accused repeated the expressions and the witness butted him with fits head. They

was told.

Wm. Black, another sailor, was also examined in He said he saw a knife and scuffle then took place in a corner and after it was over witness aw that Macof acceding to the wishes of the union laire's throat was cut. He didn't see the spire, however, to prosecute Wong Gow wound inflicted: it was done so quickly To accused—'I didn't see you with any weapon in your hand. You had your hands in your pockets before the

row. I didn't see you cut him, but as soon as he left you I noticed that his throat was cut." Continuing, the witness explained that Maclaire had the accused by the lapels of his coat, and was butting him with his head. The accused tried to get him around the neck. The scrimmage lasted two or three minutes, during which nobody interfered. After the scuffle the accused hurriedly left the room.

To the accused—"You went out as soon as you separated." "Why didn't you detain me and give ne over to the police?" pursued Hamil-

were outside before In noticed that Maclaire was cut." Another man. Barker gave evidence milar to that of the previous witness. When the fight occurred he said the two men were five or six feet away from the nearest person. He didn't see the accused cut Maclaire, and saw nothing in

his hand. William Lewis swore that there was no interference during the fight. Maclaire was all right before the trouble started, and he did not notice any blood | This will be tried at a special assize, to many of them, while the social lion and on him. After the scuffle, however, he saw a red stain on the informant's neck. the sanctum sanctorum in the temple of society were prepared to pack up their with him. He knew Hamilton carried a effects and migrate to a land where there razor and a knife, but he seemed to have are no differences of opinion between a quiet disposition. He had been drinking heavily during the past week.

To the accused—"I know you carried

our razor in a double case, and that you had a knife. I never saw anything else in your pockets. I didn't see you cut Maclaire." To the court he said the fight lasted

for four or five minutes, and both men Richmond avenue and Leighton road. seemed to break away together. After they had separated the accused hurried out of the door Dr. Hart testified to attending to

Maclaire's injuries. He said the wound-ed man had a cut on the left side of his neck extending from the middle of the throat to the ear. It was five inches in length, and averaged about half an inch saloons and numerous other apartments popular superstitions exist with regard to holly. In the county of Rutland it is furnished on some of the finest ships in the world, but none more substantially. inflicted by some sharp weapon-either a knife or a razor.

The case was not concluded this mornng, a remand being granted to enable the chief to get some important witnesses from Work Point. 10 2

SAILOR ASPHYXIATED.

San Francisco, Dec. 25.-R. A. Clother was found dead from gas to-day in a lodging house and his bed fellow, A.

on leave. It is thought Smith will die.

IN GRASP OF BLIZZARD.

Wind and Snowstorm in the South-(Associated Fress.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—This por-ion of the southwest to-day was in the grasp of a genuine blizzard, the first extended through Missouri into Nebraska and Iowa, over the whole of Kansas and into Oklahama and Indian territory. Snow fell to a depth of a foot, and was drifted by a high wind. Street car traffic in Kansas City was demoralized, and trains in every direction were de-layed and stalled. Telephone and telegraph wires were rendered useless. The thermometer is close to the zero mark, showing a fall in temperature since midnight of 11 degree, and a fall of 65 degrees in 24 hours. More snow with continued fall in temperature was predict-

In New York Also. New York, Dec. 27.-Rain and sleet, following the heavy snowstorm, have played havoc with transportation facililyzed, but trains were late on every line. wires have been crippled could not be estimated. All through the east and in Pennsylvania the wires are coated with

sleet, ferry boats were hampered by a fog so dense that it was almost dark at 7.30 a.m., and ferry boats bringing the from Jersey City and Brooklyn picked corner. When they separated it was seen that Maclaire's throat was cut and he was taken to a drug store. The drugcidents were reported.

EIGHT CHINAMEN

CONSPIRACY CASE IS BROUGHT TO CLOSE

Judge Harrison Said He Could Not Convict the Prisoners on Evidence Given.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The eight Chinamen accused of conspiring together to effect the conviction of Wong Gow and Wong On, charged with murder, have been acquitted by Judge Harrison.

witness butted him with his head. They souffied for a minute and after they had separated somebody told him (witness) that his throat was cut. It was bleeding badly so he went to a drug store and then to a doctor.

To the accused—"I mont see you cut me and didn't know I was cut until I was told."

The trial of these men was completed this morning. His Honor could not, he said, see sufficient reason in the evidence given for confining these men to a long term of imprisonment.

H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., gounsel for the crown, said that there could re-

To the Court Maclatise admitted he had been drinking, but said he wasn't drunk. The fight lasted a few seconds and neither fell to the floor, and the floor floor.

had been paid. His Henor wanted to know why a charge of bribery had not been brought conspired together. It would be an impossible thing to ascertain just what these men agreed to do. They did conand Wong On. The changing of money was established. From the case made out he thought that there was sufficient require those accused being put on

His Honor wanted to know if Mr. Helmcken was arguing that these men should have to go into the witness box and defend themselves. His idea of the practice was that the onus of proof lay

Mr. Helmcken, quoting from Taylor on widence, argued that conspiracy had been established.

His Honor could not understand why f against Loo Gee Wing there was a strong case of having paid over this money, the charge of bribery was not laid against him and prosecuted to the fullest extent. Even if one witness had received money, and he did not say that he had, why should all the remaining witnesses in the case be subjected to term of imprisonment? He could not find that the men were guilty, and therefore acquitted them.

There is a counter charge of perjury iaid against several witnesses in nspiracy case. If this is gone on with the trial will take place almost immed The completion of the conspiracy cas leaves the way clear for the new trial of

Wong Gow and Wong On for murder. sit early next month.

G. T. Boulding, of Richmond avenue, who came here last spring from the Northwest, after a stay there extending over twenty-one years, with the intention of paying Victoria a visit for his health, Mr. Boulding states that he knows of to settle. He expects as a result of his rrespondence that quite a few families

make Victoria their future home. Mr. Boulding originally came from Guelph township, Ontario, and twentytwo years ago located a homestead near Regina, also took up land in the vicinity country. During his twenty years' farming he did his share in raising the wheat crops for which that section of the country is now so justly famous. His average crop for the whole time was 19 hels of wheat to the acre.

Mr. Boulding is a firm believer in the future of the great Northwest, but thinks that Victoria will be the Mecca for those H. Smith, was discovered almost dead. The two men were firemen on the United States steamship Ohio and were ashore on leave. It is thought Smith will die.

******************************* Our Christmas Greeting In Acrostic

from the Pens of Empire-Builders

Compiled for this issue by Agnes Deans Cameron.

A great Empire and little minds go ill together.—Edmund

M AY God forbid that we should ever be so intolerant as to make conformity to our own opinions the price of our assistance to others in their efforts for national independence.—Canning.

XCELLENTLY well I know that I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, but I have the heart of a king, and of a king of England, too; and I think foul scorn that Parma or Spain, or any prince of Europe, should dare invade the borders of my realm. Queen Elizabeth.

IGHT warm work is it, and this may be the last to any of us at any moment; but, mark you, I would not be elsewhere for thousands.-Nelson (at Copenhagen). EST assured, the true glory of a nation does not consist in the extent of its dominions, but rather in the moral and intellectual pre-eminence of the people.-Sir John

Lubbock. ET we must realize that it is not the United Kingdom only, but the whole British Empire which needs consistent and united organization for defence.—Sir Charles 000000000000

CHANGE is life, and to be perfect is to have changed often.—Cardinal Newman.

HEAVEN'S rich gift comes down on every one-American, English, Turk--who will help to heal this open sore of the world?—I)r. Livingstone.

APINE and assassination have never changed the history of the world.—Beaconsfield. I F it be a duty to respect other men's claims, so also is it a duty to maintain our own. Edmund Burke.

So peace hath her victories no less renowned than war. THE world belongs to him who has seen it.—Sir John

M OREOVER, there is nothing so safe as great meetings. Come together, look each other in the face. John

A ND it is the boast of the British Empire that it rests on men.-Lord Rosebery. LOWLY but assuredly during his brief journey from nothingness to nothingness, each man may add his pebble to the slowly-rising foundations of an ideal world.

COREVER the breath of liberty, like the word of the holy man, will not die with the prophet, but will survive him.-Henry Grattan.

EALIZE that slaves cannot breathe in England; if their lungs receive our air, that moment they are free .-

, while the German grows fat and the Frenchman withers, the Englishman plays lawn tennis under a tropical sun.-Lord Curzon. M OST great Empire and little minds go ill together. -Edmund Burke.

THE penny post is an institution through which you seriously offer a man a penny for his thoughts.—Thoreau. USH! Never the lotus closes, never the wild-fowl wake, but a soul goes out in the East wind that died for Eng-

land's sake.-Rudyard Kipling. NVENOMED bigotry may survive persecution, but it? can never survive toleration. Henry Grattan.

HE old order changeth, giving place to new .- Tennyson.

contend, a man always is to be himself the judge how much of his mind he will show to other men .- Carlyle. M URMURING, "Here, and here did England help me; how can I help England?"-Robert Browning. R VER keep the plough in the hands of the Owners, and

not mere Hirelings .- King Henry VII. S O it is essential for the greatest success of a country that in every part of it men should take a real interest in national affairs.-John Bright.

-A. J. Balfour.

settling here is a distinct gain to Vic-

THE CHRISTMAS MAIL. Teams Hired to Facilitate the Work of

Delivery on Saturday and Monday. That Victorians received their Christmas mail as promptly as they did is due in no small degree to the excellent ar- as will be seen by the following results: rangements made for the season by Postmaster Noah Shakespeare. When it is considered that the mail was an exceptionally large one, this fact can be better appreciated. The number of parcels delivered during the last few days to-

lish and Canadian mails. In order to facilitate the work of the department three teams were sent out | Capt. Davidson, Mrs. Davidyesterday, in addition to the one on the was so much pleased with the climate and general conditions of this city that ly distributed. That from England did he decided to remain, and has built a not arrive until Monday, owing to some very beautiful residence on the corner of delay on the Atlantic. It should have reached Victoria on Saturday, but delays at this time, despite every precaution very many families desirous of settling taken to guard against them by steam-here, and has not hesitated to recom- ship and railway companies, not infrehere, and has not hesitated to recommend this city as a most desirable place quently occur, the month of December being generally one of the worst for snowslides in the whole year.

> VANCOUVER NOTES. Steve Jones Invests in Terminal City Property-Well-Known Contractor Injured.

Vancouver, Dec. 23.—Steve Jones to day paid \$45,000 cash for a lot on the northwest corner of Hastings and Homer streets, owned by David Spencer, Vic-

Theodore Horrobin, a well-known contractor, fell from the roof of the old Masonic building at the corner of Cambie that Victoria will be the Mecca for those who have made their pile and wish to spend the remainder of their lives in a spend the remainder of their lives in a planks of the sidewalk. He was terrible planks of the sidewalk. He was terrible that will probably recover. GOLF COMPETITION

Result's of Mixed Foursome Contest Held Yesterday Afternoon at

Oak Bay. There was a large number of competitors in the mixed foursome contest which took place at the Oak Bay links on Monday. The race for first place was close

Score. Hcp. Tl. H. Hulton Harrap, Mrs. Dr. Cobbett, Mrs. Combe... 94 Dr. Gribell, R. N., Mrs. talled 2,600, including that in the Eng- W. F. Burton, Mrs. Barnard 108 12 96 B. G. Goward, Mrs. Lamp-. 110 15 95 H. Combe, Mrs. Holland ... 99 S. 99 Commander Hunt, R. N., Mrs. A. W. Jones 113 B. H. T. Drake, Miss T. A. Bell

A. T. Goward, Mrs. Goward 125 W. Pike, Mrs. Irving 114 C. H. Cookson, Miss G. 119 14 105 Mr. Justice Martin, Mrs. Burton ... 114 M. Rogers, Mrs. Crow

P. S. Lampman, Miss Todd. 123 15 108 A. H. Pigott, Miss Cobbelt, 143 30 113 F. B. Pemberton, Miss Bos-No scores were returned by A. S. Reed

Pemberton, H. R. Beaven and Mrs. Beaven, Capt. Baldwin's airship California Arrow, driven by Roy Knabenshu of Toledo, who made several successful flights in the same machine from the World's Fair grounds at St. Louis, was given its first trial in California on Sun day, and was successful with the single exception of its failure to land at the

and Miss Langley, W. H. Langley and Miss

PONDEROUS PLATITUDES.

Readers of the newspapers are a't present being treated to some very deep and aimless, and undoubtedly in some cases insincere, disquisitions on the alleged weaknesses of our free school system. bec Legislature, two in the Nova Scotia We think it has been remarked more | House, and in Prince Edward Island the than once that man is not perfect in all ratio of representation is about the same. his appointments. Experience seems to In British Columbia, if the will of the confirm this pronouncement. It follows people prevailed, there would be about naturally, therefore, that the works of man for the greater part fall short of his ideals. The educational system which is common to all parts of this continent is We do not believe anything of the kind. We know that such a statement is reckless and absolutely insusceptible of demonstration. In the United States, where for generations education has been free, there is the most energetic, the we have fitted soil a stitlement in rackdemonstration. In the United States,
where for generations demonstration is recommentation. In the United States,
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artificial social system. Our belief is that if a youth be brought up in an atmosphere in which healthy and normal ideals select as his life's work. That proposition has been proved in the experience ments the farmer was a mere laborer. his goods, all was well. If the markets formed the first Conservative government views, so far as the big Ontario plant is were unfavorable, the luck was against him, and he hoped war would break out British Columbia ever had, he divided good crops and a rising market. When cultural colleges, he was held in derision. | at the mercy of the opposition The graduates of his institution were now pressing them so hard. despised and condemned as agricultural reasoning drudge.

our educational system, but they will Premier Macdonald for Premier Mcnever convince this community that the Bride there would be constant kow-tow-, discharge of the duties of life.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S GRAND LAMA.

Don't raise an unhallowed hand McBride. To do so is to be guilty of lese ises for yet a little time to develop a programme of provincial development. readjustament, we say, and we best the William directs musical affairs and is-The fact that the hallowed head has Columbia will agree with us in saying sues decrees with reference to the arts, done nothing but increase taxation, ham- it, that a government which is inherently science and religion, but when the moper every industry in the province and and individually weak in every aspect mentous issues of peace and war arise, tell its able assistants in the government from which it may be viewed, which has they will prefer to be guided by the to eat, drink, be merry, and have a good not a working majority in the legislature counsels of their elected and selected reptime in the countries in which there are exceptional opportunities for enjoyment to represent British Columbia in any -all the short-comings which in negotiations that may take place. a mere ordinary politician would The McBride government in the very be sure to invite condemnation- fact of its existence as a Conservative must be put aside. Let the orgies con- institution invited the strongest oppositinue for an indefinite period, because if ton the Liberal party could bring against day has probably forfeited her allowance the Liberal opposition should be evolved traordinary circumstances under which was that she would not set foot on Gerinto a Liberal government its policy must it holds power added to the fact that any man soil. The condition, however, may necessarily be dictated from Ottawa, measures of importance it has submitted not be enforced, as popular sympathy and be subservient to the desires of the to parliament were dictated not with the with the Countess is so strong already rampant Liberalism which rules Can- view of benefiting the country but by the the impression of punishing the Countess ada to her hurt. Such is the impregvisionaries whose support is necessary for her total womanly feeling,

nable rock upon which the rump of to its existence, compelled the opposition

The version of the Countess's misadvennable rock upon which the rump of to its existence, compelled the opposition Toryism in British Columbia has taken of all who profess political independence of Saxony, is that she is guiltless of its position. The arguments are unan- and regard the welfare of British Colum- actual wrong-doing, and is the victim of swerable, the logic is irrefragable. And bia as of the first importance. Hence an intrigue of the centre party which is yet the rampant Liberals will continue the almost unanimous desire for a change described as using unscrupulous means not cease their persecution until the said eral party in its attitude of uncomprom- ing queen. The circumstances of

Liberal, and there can be no political knees before his various rehelitions sun peace until a government in harmony porters with a prayer upon his lips for with the sentiments of the people is inwith the sentiments of the people is in- mercy. He may have worked upon the stalled across the bay. Appeals for tender susceptibilities of the member for mercy and for clemency to the revered head will be vain. There are seven Conservative representatives in the Que-

RUSSIAN AMBITIONS. MBRIDE'S DEBASEMENT.

of life are inculcated, the more thorough | It is a heinous offence the Liberal party the education he receives the better he of British Columbia is committing in atwill be fitted for any calling he may tacking the Conservative McBride gov-an endorsement tending so much to es-Dauphin in Manitoba, and Comox-Atlin, ernment. In the arrogance of strength tablish its permanency as when Sir B. C., where the Liberals were elected of Canadians stready, young as they are the Liberals are declaring that McBride Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the by acclamation. Allowing the ordinary considered from a national point of view. and his administration should be rele-In the early days of the Eastern settle gated to the place specially reserved for weak and incompetent politicians—the ment marks the close of a particularly There was no intelligent purpose in his place from which they were enabled to interesting controversy between Sir of conditions, no attempt to co-operate with soil and climate in the production with soil and climate in the production treachery to the men who accomplished of results. He gave no heed to markets. | the defeat of the Prior government. The | set Sir Thomas contended that standard If there happened to be a demand for Premier took occasion by the hand and somewnere and in some inexplicable the people on "party lines," and now his ment. During the controversy both commanner inflate prices. The son followed supporters are squealing and whining bein the father's footsteps. He butted cause the party he elected to serve has ports of an investigation to be made by along, trusting to the fates to give him seen proved to be as weak in the provential expert. After spending some time good crops and a rising market. When ince as its self-elected leader and his at the "Soo" he reported that no better some far-seeing statesman perceived that government are in business ability and rail was manufactured anywhere in Amfarmer and proceeded to establish agri- administrative tact, and are obviously erica, and the Canadian Pacific at once

kets and to the maintenance of the fer- therefore subservient to the present fed- are for the lines of both companies in ada as to their upkeep, is to take risks tility of the soil. Agriculture is the pure eral government. Our only hope for Canada. The Canadian Pacific Railway which are unduly great." suit of a scientist or a professional man, justice lies in the maintenance of a Cou- Company has placed with the Algoma not the occupation of an unthinking, un- servative administration that will fight Steel Company an order for 25,000 tons by realize that naval defence can never against the autocrats at Ottawa and of eighty-foot rails for prompt delivery. in the last resort be local, and that if the Opponents of free schools may be able | wrest from them the justice they have | Thus are we establishing ourselves as a | enemy are in the Mediterranean or the to prove that there are weaknesses in thus far denied us. If we substituted manufacturing nation, defects are such as to call for any reform | ing to Ottawa instead of the strenuous | gantic Minnesota is the beginning of anthat would involve one backward step. demands of the present stalwart leader other stage in the advancement of com-The state educates and fits teachers for of the British Columbia Conservative merce in the Pacific. The new monarch their profession because it is of trans- party! Look at the great thing the late of the deep would make the Abyssinia, cendant importance that the citizens of | Sir Oliver Mowat accomplished for On- the largest of the pioneer trans-Pacific the future shall be as thoroughly quali- tario in spite of the antagonism of the steamers of the Northwest, look almost fied as education can make them for the late Sir John Macdonald. Aye; but like a C. P. R. west coaster. The march Mowat was Mowat, and McBride is Mc- of improvement will be more rapid from Bride. In the case of Ontagio v. the this time onward, but we have yet a long Dominion two great men differed in their | way to go before we catch up with the interpretation of the constitution of fed- naval palaces of the Atlantic. erated Canada, Sir Oliver Mowat fought and wom battles in which not only the | The Associated Press dispatches tell us | ty to do their share in securing the comagainst the anointed head of Premier rights of Ontario, but the jurisdiction of that Emperor William has put up his mand of the sea wherever they may be all the provinces in matters of great im- maulers and invited the British to "come required." portance, were involved. These ques- on." If they don't want to fight let them majesty, or some offence equally heinous. | tions are disposed of for all time. The | cease their chatter about the menacing That revered head has humbled itself in relative powers of the parties to the fed-naval programme of the Fatherland. A the dust before the Socialists who keep eral compact are more or less clearly devery probable story, truly. Great states it in power. It has appealed to the ele- fined. There are no legal battless to be do not conduct their diplomatic business ments it has deceived with false prom- fought. If the matter of the terms of through sovereigns in these days of reunion is to be reopened with a view to sponsible government. The German peoreadjustment, we say, and we believe the ple may look on in tolerant hilarity while tions denouncing the rector for prohibit

it. Its peculiar constitution and the ex- of \$7.500, one of the conditions which to pursue that sacred head, and they will and the perfect justification of the Lib- to prevent a strong Liberal from becomhead is rolling in the dust which has ising and implacable opposition. Mc- countess leaving the court are so overbecome its natural element. It has been Bride may have gone through the con- will be

sentiment of the country, is not qualified

Nelson. He may have made further concessions to the Socialists. By his pitiful pleadings he may have gained a temporary reprieve. But in the natural course of events he will be compelled to stand before a tribunal that will judge him according to his works.

MAN AND BEAST.

It seems from the testimony of wit-It seems from the testimony of will w. W. Cory, Assistant Commissioner of Minnesota and Dakota Will Call Whennesses given before the committee that The outcry Russia is raising about the is investigating the fitness of Mr. Smoot perfidious conduct of Britain in taking to sit in the United States Senate that

that in future the big railway will buy vote will be over one million, and the all its rails in Canada. The announcerails could not be manufactured in Canconcerned, is shown by his announce company. The annual requirements of the line for renewal work alone would The only excuse that can be found for keep the "Soo" mill in operation for fops. But in twenty years the system of the existence of the McBride administrate months each year. A contract for der the influence of the despised agri- tration is that it would be a mistake to 3,000 tons has been signed with the Pere says: "To abandon the dockyards at cultural college. The business is now institute a government in this province Marquette railway, and one for 4,000 halifax and Esquimalt, unless, indeed, conducted with some reference to mar- that would be in harmony with and with the Michigan Central. The rails we have a good understanding with Can-

The arrival in these water of the gi-

and is obviously out of harmony with the resentatives.

SYMPATHY WITH COUNTESS.

Dresden, Saxony, Dec. 23.-Countess Montignoso, formerly the Crown Princess Louise, and divorced wife of King Frederick augustus, by coming to Dres den and trying to see her children yesterthe court would avoid anything giving

unknown to the present generademonstrated that British Columbia is stituencies and dragged himself upon his tion of Saxony.

ULTIMATELY THERE HAS RESIGNED

J. A. SMART LEAVES INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Dominion, Selected to Fill the Vacancy.

Railway companies doing business in turns are in the total vote will be one mallion. The government will have as majority over the Conservatives of about 60,000, and over all parties of nearly secured from any other source. A dispatch from Montreal says the steel rail the Northwest and the Yukon have yet vatives of over 60,000.

LONDON PRESS COMMENTS ON ADMIRALTY'S ACTION

Yards at Halifax and at Esquimalt.

London Dec 24 -The Broad Arrow

The Spectator says: "Though we ful-Indian ocean, it is there and not in the but that she should not be arrested un-North Atlantic or Pacific that the coasts: less she became violent. of Canada will have to be protected, we The Princess went alone to one of the desire to see the sense of fighting, seamanship and of naval enthusiasm grow. up in the colonies. In order to obtain this police saluted the Princess, and told her the formation of local naval forces, for quietly that it would be impossible for which the colonies will pay and be rell her to enter the palace. He offered to sponsible, is essential. With interest walk with her to the Hotel Bellevue. and responsibility thus created will come a knowledge of the command of the sea, square. not merely of the coasts, but of the blue water and unridden paths of the ocean, one and lunched in her rooms. In the and then colonial subsidies to the navies will be freely placed under the admiral-

RUSSIAN AGITATION. Movement For Reforms Has Not Been

Moscow, Dec. 23 .- Students of the uni versity of Moscow have adopted resolu ing their meetings, declaring their determination to unceasingly strive for the liberation of the oppressed Fatherland, threatening that if they are punished for assembling they will organize manifestation in conjunction with the work-

Checked in Moscow.

Several groups of citizens have signed an address to the municipality express ng the strongest sympathy for consti utional reform. Everything is being done o bring about reforms that can possibly

NEW STEAMERS FOR PACIFIC

C. P. R. Vessels Will Run Between Brit ish Columbia and the Far East.

London, Dec. 23 .- Two of the C. P. R steamers which are being built by th Fairfield Company on the Clyde are for service between Vancouver and Victoria and Yokohama, and will be 550 feet long and 64 feet beam, with a speed of 19 knots.

SIGNED BY KING PETER.

Freedom of the Press Is Practically Abolished in Servia.

Belgrade, Dec. 23 .- King Peter to-day

WILL BE A SERVICE

SAYS MR. FARRELL. OF THE GREAT NORTHERN

ever There is Business Here

that the Minnesota was yesterday drawing 26 feet of water aft, and she had 8,000 tons of cargo in her hold. When loaded to her full capacity she will draw, as previously announced, 38 feet of water. One of the strongest reasons why she did not call at the wharf yesferday was because the wind was so high that it was feared difficulty would be experienced in berthing. With so large a vest sel it has been found by pilots and other navigators that once headway is taken off them, they drift. Yesterday the wind was blowing at times forty or lifty in les an hour, and as the vessel had only to take on her Chinese crew here capt. Truebridge considered it advisable to remain at anchor in the Roads 181 5 10

FORMER CROWN PRINCESS

Arrived Unexpectedly, at presden and Demanded to See Her, Children. Dresden, Dec. 22.-The former Crown unexpectedly last night. Accompanied

by a lawyer, she proceeded shortly after her arrival to the Taschenberg palace, and asked to be permitted to see her children. The Princess had also written to the King that unless he granted her oft repeated Prquest to see her children she would attempt to see them without She arrived here from Vienna with a

woman companion, and went to the Hotel Bellevue, where she was immediately recognized before she had time to give any assumed name, if she intended to do so. The police were informed, and then the ministry sent a telegram to the King, and he directed that she should on no account be admitted to the palace,

entrances of the palace on Theatre square at 9 o'clock in the morning, dressed in mourning. A lieutenant of She said that would not be necessary but he walked by her side across Theatre

She returned to her hotel, received no meantime many hundreds of persons collected in the neighborhood of the hotel. Dr. Sehme, the attorney of the former Princess, called at about 2 o'clock, and together they drove to the railway station and took the 2.36 p. m. train for Leipzig, designing to return to Vienna. Public sympathy runs strongly in favor of allowing the Princess to see her children once a year, as the German law provides in the

FRENCH DEMAND

livorced for the most flagrant offences.

The Sultan of Morocco Must Explain His Recent Action and Make Reparation.

Paris, Dec. 23.-The foreign office considers the situation in Morocco to be ex-tremely grave. The Sultan's dismissal of his French and other military adisers has been followed by a number of other acts showing his intention to inat Tangier has been instructed to secure the withdrawal from the Moroccan capital of the French consul, the commander and all the members of the military mission and all the French citizens unless the Sultan vacates his previous offensive

nilitary or naval steps, have yet been taken as these await the Sultan's response to the minister's demand, but a demonstration in force will follow if a suitable explanation and reparation are not promptly given.

A German newspaper estimates that withsigned the new press law which practically abolishes freedom of the press in Servia, though aimed principally at the anti-Dynestic and appealing process. The process of th less than 100,000.

J. B. Hobson, managing director of the Consolidated Hydraulic Mining Com- more valuable elements, palladium pany, operating on Quesnelle river, has left for the East to attend the directors' meeting of the company and to lay before it his report for the past season's | A sample submitted to J. O. Sullivan, operations. Mr. Hobson has an expert of Vancouver, who has an envial knowledge of everything connected with , tation as an assayer, gave the following hydraulic mining. In addition to this

Mr. Hobson gives fightes to snow that the product from year to year was protionate to the precipitation and water portionate to the precipitation and water portionate to the precipitation and water product from year to year was proposed in the product from year to year was proposed in addition to the Anaconda and cludes, in addition to the Anaconda and the product from year to year was proposed in the product from year to year was proportionate to the precipitation and water available. In 1904 (last season) there was a precipitation of 24.39 inches, 225.

193 miners inches of water were used, also inches \$8 days 16 hours' run, and also inches \$160,000 for the 16 claims, which includes, in addition to the Anaconda and three adjoining properties, another group known as the River Mines, in which inches \$160,000 for the 16 claims, which includes, in addition to the Anaconda and three adjoining properties, another group known as the River Mines, in which inches \$160,000 for the 16 claims, which inches \$160,000 for the 16 claims and the 16 claims an from 1,461,341 cubic yards of gravel washed, the returns were \$85,936.30. The year previous, 1903, the precipitation was 17.48 inches, with 129,083 inches of water used; the run was 53 days 7 hours and 273 000 cubic yards of gravel hours and 373,000 cubic yards of gravel gave \$44,943.70 in return. In 1902 there were 179,520 inches used, allowing of 65 days 15 hours' run, and from 690,442 ubic yards of gravel, \$61,395.19 was taken. In 1901d the company utilize ounces in silver.

Mr. Rogers is expected to begin oper ations on the property very shortly. H hours, and recovered \$142,275.41 from will go right on with the work where Mr. 2,420,288 cubic yards of gravel. In 1900, Hockins left off, which speaks well for when 460,878 inches of water were used, when 400.878 inches of water the run was 171 days 13 hours and \$350, the run was 171 days 13 hours and \$350, the days 18 ried on his mining at the Anaconda.

The interesting of the Daly corporation in the country about Ashcroft promises in the country about Ashcroft promises.

cubic yards of gravel. In 1888, 1888 at 1889, 1889 at 1899, from 1,952,533 cubic yards of gravel. Basing his estimate on these results, Mr. Hobson gives the opinion that if he had been able to have a run of 200 days od of 88 he would have had and turn of \$193,800 this season. After taking \$150,000 out for expenses of operation, the profits to the company would nave been \$43,800.

cipitation has forced Mr. Hobson to look to which he will devote his attention. sufficient supply of water. He has, after addition to the other minerals. Mr. He fully looking into all possible sources for increasing it, decided upon recommending British Columbia is only begining. The to his directors the conveying of water | country has never been really prospected. from Spanish lake, about 17 miles distant from the workings. Spanish creek is a tributary of the north fork of Ques-nelle river. It has an altitude of 2,818 Alleged Sensational Correspondencefeet. It is five miles long and varies in width from half a mile to a mile. Its area is therefore about four square miles. The lake lends itself readily to the pur-

poses for which it is proposed to utilize tish and German governments during the narrow canyon, which can be easily dammed, converting the lake into a splendid ed toward Germany by the semi-official reservoir. The watersheds from which the lake derives its supply reaches altitudes of from 4,000 to 6,000 feet, so that snow lies on them until late into the summer. At the high water stage, from ality felt in a positive way. He instruct-May 1st to July 1st, the flow averages | ed that the British cabin 23,100 cubic feet a minute, which is formed in effect that if England wanted equal to 15,400 miners' inches. This dewar it could have it immediately; if it creases gradually until at low water stage was not desirous of such an event, the on into September there is a supply of talk, which Germany considered an 8,700 cubic feet per minute, which affront, must stop.

Both Count Wolf

From Spanish lake, therefore, Mr. Hobson says a supply of 5,000 miners' be depended upon. He has carefully considered the cost of providing the means of delivering the water from this lake to German government to assume Morehead Pooling reservoir, one of those now in use. Estimating on the means in the Army and Navy Gazette culminfor delivering 2,500 miners' inches, Mr. ating in the declaration that the Kaiser's Hobson places the cost at \$245,000. To navy was so rapidly becoming a menace do this 15 miles of canal would be re- to Great Britain that war would better quired, which would cost \$9,000 a mile, be declared now in order that the Ger or \$135,000. It would be necessary to man fleet might be destroyed before cross Poquette pass with iron piping. To should become a still greater menace do this would require 2,500 feet of 40inch pipe, which would cost \$8 a foot downe have now been told that Gerlaid, making a total of \$20,000. To cross many is impatient of this distrust of its the south fork of the Quesnelle river, naval policy, which it accuses the Na-8,000 feet of 40-inch pipe would be tional Review, the Army and Navy Gautilized, which is estimated to cost \$10 a zerte and other papers of generating foot laid, or \$80,000. The dam at the among the British people. The fatherterrupt the execution of the French outlet of the lake would cost \$10.000, land wishes Britain to understand, once policy. Accordingly the French minister bringing the total cost up to \$245.000. In for all, that it has not the slightest in outlet of the lake would cost \$10,000, land wishes Britain to understand, once order to supply 5,000 miners' inches, the tention of abandoning the development cost would be doubled, making it \$490,-000.

The supplying of 5,000 miners' inches the scheme which meets with Mr. Hobson's approval, however, as the prohe Sultan vacates his previous offensive citica, and offers suitable explanation.

The French minister has been instructed to communicate this to the Sultan at the present time, the quantity of the same time he notifies the consul, \$1,000 a day, making a total of \$200,000 for the season. The profits would therefore be \$849,160.

As previously mentioned, the estimated miners' inches, would not exceed \$43,800.

f carriage for this from th alone amount to about \$50,000, which in itself gives some idea of the benefits to

ations being carried on. Recently the immense values in the heavy concentrates that remain in the sluices have seen occupying the attention of Mr. Hobson. He has subjected the ncentrates to repeated tests, find smiridium, and also platinum. concentrates it is likely to be proved carry values of many thousand dol

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Palladium		64.4	1,769
Osmarldium	4.11.	42	1,386
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similarity to warrant, them stopping here. If the ships are too deeply loaded to come alongside the wharf they, will be anchor in the offing and a tender will be produced. He had been told, however, that there was plenty of water for the steamers at the wharves when the vessels were not loaded.

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The lead on the Anaconda group can Mr. Hockins says, a very close resem lance to the mines of Butte. This lead s about 68 feet wide. It is all mineral ized, the values running from 1 to 35 per cent. of copper, and as high as 80

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er or later have to be put in ne Following this deal will come a quickening of interest in the whole se There are other promising prospects, and The falling off in the amount of pre- Mr. Hockins himself has other interests: some alternative means for getting a There are splendid showings of iron, in

GERMANY AND BRITAIN.

Fight or Cease Talking. Berlin Dec. 22.-Sensational corre pondence has passed between the Bri-. At its outlet into Spanish creek is a last four weeks with reference to the warlike and provocative attitude adopt-

Navy Gazette. The Kaiser took a hand in the negotiations and made his vigorous person

Both Count Wolff-Metternich, German ambassador in London, and Sir F. C. Lascelles, British ambassador in Berlin nches for seven months in the year can were called home by their respective governments to discuss the situation The publications which induced the Both Premier Balfour and Lord Lans of it's navy and its merchant marine at

British behest, no matter how much of a bogey they constitute. BURNING OF STEAMER.

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The putting in of this system of water when it was learned that a fire had startsupply would involve the delivery of ed in the steamer.

LIBERALS HOLD SMOKING CI

CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND ENJOYAR

There Was a Large Attend Present Being Guests o tor Templeman.

At the A. O. U. W. ha

Senator Templeman enter bers of the local Liberal as those who assisted in the paign to a smoking conc sary for the success of tobacco were the programme excellent vocal select one spent a very pleas chair was oc Ditchburn, and among th Senator Templeman, president of the Liberal A B. Fraser, jr., secretary tion; C. J. V. Spratt, pr Young Liberal's Club; secretary of the club: W. 6
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Richard Hall, M. P. P., L.
E. Milroy, C. H. Lugrin, R.
Rowe, A. B. McNeill, James McIlmoyl, J. G. Cox, E. Ke Okell, R. B. McMicking, V ton, G. T. Walker, Dr. son, Root. Dunn, E. McDo

Mr. Ditchburn first called fitt for "The Maple Leaf," Senator Templeman made In his introductory remarks ed that the concert had be for the purpose of bringi those who had labored so and successfully in the inte Liberal party during the r paign. Credit had been given that great victory. He the ever, that it was due more to of the rank and file, which, ing an unbroken front, had routed their opponents. In

pleased to received and cons quest which proved to be terests of the country. He to see so many familiar face all would enjoy the enterta A piano solo was then gi Burkes, followed by a sel Sehl, who was accorded an tion entitled "Horatius at and responding to an importurecited in splendid style
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'Awkins." This effort also enthusiastically. A short intermission was nounced to allow those prese of some of the good things excellent repast having be justice, the second portion gramme was introduced. T of half an hour's entertain Pierrots. They rendered a comic songs and several cle both being much appreciat lection entitled Pierette, elicited loud appla three hearty cheers, after

MEMBERS ARE AC

Save the King" brought the

Tourist Association Prepari mer Months-To Make More Attracti

Members of the executiv ist Association are showing able activity in the prepa heavy travel expected to spring. Not only will a extensive scale be und Fort street rooms are to as attractive a manner as fruit exhibit will be augn mens of all varieties gro Columbia, and it is the in play a part of the splend local views secured by H. ing the past three years. will be an exhibit of m will be an exhibit of man work by local pupils. The features not yet decided up the rooms bright and enable visitors to spend profitable study of loca neral-of which there i display of specimens on resources. Of course it is ture to discuss the Touris plans for the summer may rest assured that th enterprising and aggres sult in bringing a large those visiting the Portlan well as ordinary tourists

CLOSING ENTERT.

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Forest Lady

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"In Arcady." Great-Great-Grandfather .

"White Mag!

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Cease Talking.

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LIBERALS HOLD A SMOKING CONCERT

CAPITAL PROGRAMME

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etc., and, judging by the enthusiasm with which each number was received, everyone spent a very pleasant evening.

The chair was occupied by W. B. Ditchburn, and among those present were Senator Templeman, Joshua Kingham, president of the Liberal Association. A Dictation and spelling Management of the Liberal Association. tion; C. J. V. Spratt, president of the Young Liberal's Club; Dave Leeming, (equal). of the club; W. G. Cameron, J. D. McNiven, M. P. P., Richard Hall, M. P. P., L. Conyers, G. E. Milroy, C. H. Lugrin, Rev. Elliott S. Rowe, A. B. McNeill, James Bell, J. T. G. Cox, E. Kermode, S. M. Okell, R. B. McMicking, W. K. Houston, G. T. Walker, Dr. Milne, J. Peirson, Root. Dunn, E. McDougall and Jas.

Mr. Ditchburn first called upon A. Parfitt for "The Maple Leaf," after which Senator Templeman made a brief ad-

In his introductory remarks he explained that the concert had been arranged for the purpose of bringing together those who had labored so energetically and successfully in the interests of the Liberal party during the recent cam-paign. Credit had been given him for that great victory. He thought, how-ever, that it was due more to the efforts of the rank and file, which, by presentng an unbroken front, had completely routed their opponents. In a short time he was going to Ottawa, and would be pleased to received and consider any request which proved to be in the in-terests of the country. He was pleased to see so many familiar faces, and hoped all would enjoy the entertainment A piano solo was then given by Mr. Burkes, followed by a selection from F. Sehl, who was accorded an enthusiastic encore. W. K. Houston gave a recita-tion entitled "Horatius at the Bridge," and responding to an importunate encore recited in splendid style "Barbara ferred against the Central hotel by Rev. R. E. Grant followed with R. R. Hughes," says Friday's Nanaimo a song, and also was honored with an encore. When J. Kingham was called upon by the chairman for a solo he was

greeted with vociferous cheers. His se-lection was encored, and responding he gave an excellent comic song. Mr. Burkes, who presided at the piano, then sang, and was followed by R. C. Grant and P. Richardson. The latter gave a The first, entitled

justice, the second portion of the programme was introduced. This consisted of half an hour's entertainment by the comic songs and several clever sketches. both being much appreciated. The seection entitled "Sammy," given by Pierette, elicited loud applause. Senator Templeman was accorded three hearty cheers, after which "God Save the King" brought the concert to a

MEMBERS ARE ACTIVE.

Tourist Association Preparing For Summer Months-To Make Rooms More Attractive.

Members of the executive of the Tour Association are showing commendable activity in the preparations for the heavy travel expected to commence in the spring. Not only will advertising on an said that Harry's mind instantly flashed extensive scale be undertaken, but the back to the visit of the miner and he re-Fort street rooms are to be fitted up in called that he seemed strangely unused as attractive a manner as possible. The to smoking for a miner. However, this fruit exhibit will be augmented by speci-mens of all varieties grown in British Columbia, and it is the intention to display a part of the splendid collection of worst." local views secured by H. Cuthbert during the past three years. Besides there will be an exhibit of manual training work by local pupils. These, with other features not yet decided upon, will make the rooms bright and cheerful, and enable visitors to spend their time in a profitable study of local agricultura mineral-of which there is already a fine display of specimens on view—and other resources. Of course it is as yet premature to discuss the Tourist Association's plans for the summer, but Victorians may rest assured that their policy will be enterprising and aggressive, and will result in bringing a large percentage of those visiting the Portland exhibition, as well as ordinary tourists, to this city.

CLOSING ENTERTAINMENT.

Miss Kitto's pupils and the friends who so kindly assisted them are to be congratulated on the excellence of the performance they gave last Wednesday evening. It would be invidious to draw distinctions, for all the children played their parts well, and the sweet music, served to heighten the effect of an entertainment most charmingly rendered.

romowing was one programme:	
Queen N. Lugrin Witch M. Rickaby Princess Philomene S. Davidson Prince Fortunas D. Woodward Edelbert (h's cousin) F. Bagshawe Forest Lady W. Windle	
Fairles A. Beanlands, A. Stirling, D. Bagshawe, G. Dickson. Elves C. and R. Davidson, G. Paterson, R. Challoner.	

"In Arcady." Dick Shepherdesses W. Windle, S. Davidson, D. Dickson pherds
...A. Windle, A. Rochfort, F. Bagshawe
at-Great-Grandmother ... D. Bagshawe
at-Great-Grandfather ... D. Worsfold Great-Great-Grandfather "White Magic."

QUEEN'S ACADEMY. QUEEN'S ACADEMY.

Closing Exercises on Thursday—List of Prize Winners.

The closing exercises of Queen's Academy took place on Thursday in the presence of a large number of parents and friends of the pupils. The first part of the programme

The first part of the programme consisted of showing in part the daily work of the school, which elicited due praise from those present.

A very interesting feature of the Academy Journal, a paper having for its chief aim the promotion of originality Left his Mark in the Territorical and interest in composition of the land interest in composition. and interest in composition. The Xmas number was read in an excellent manner, the staff of publishers being as fol lows: Editress, Miss Nora Lugrin

Senator Templeman entertained mem-bers of the local Liberal associations and reader, Miss Noel Moresby, those who assisted in the recent cam- A very pleasing and attractive drill

Senator Templeman, Joshua Association; A. president of the Liberal Association; A. president of the Liberal Association; A. Drawing—Muriel Dunsmuir, Madge Wolfenden and Gwenydd Bridgman

Arithmetic-Nora Lugrin and Genesecond class, Madge Wolfenden; third class, Etheldred McElhinny.

Grammar—Noel Moresby and Nora

Lugrin.

a name rather familiar to Victorians, and Mr. Johnstone, at present crown prosecutor of Regina. The actual time of the trial was eight days.

While Riel was in jail at Regina

British history-Gwenydd Bridgman and Nora Lugrin. Canadian history—Eileen Flint, Noel
Moresby (equal), Nora Lugrin.
English literature—Eileen Flint and

Gwenydd Bridgman. Latin-Noel Moresby and Edythe Mc-

Most rapid improvement-Nora Jones. Studiousness and home work-Nora Neatness in work-Muriel Dunsmuir.

Politeness-Nora Lugrin. REVEREND DETECTIVE.

Nanaimo Clergyman Said to Have Vis-ited Gambling Rooms in Disguise. "At the meeting of the license com-

case being tried. "Everybody's Awfully Good to Me," was loudly applauded. As an encore Mr. Richardson rendered "Mrs. 'Enry working clothes, with black face and hands and pit cap on his head, entered enthusiastically.

A short intermission was then announced to allow those present to partake

"It is rumored, says the frequence than as a madman.

The name of Judge Richardson is associated with the opening up of the Northwest, and with the first introduction of law and administration of justice into that country. He went there when the journey had to made in an ox cart or period to the suspected shower its production is rendered impossible to berry as it does in the Old Land. This makes Northwest, and with the first introduction of law and administration of justice into that country. He went there when the journey had to made in an ox cart or period to berry as it does in the Old Land. This makes Miss Hicks, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Wilby, must are required.

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that they had been entertaining a preach-It was at 1 o'clock in the morning of he night preceding the first meeting of the license commissioners that Rev. Mr. Hughes again paid a visit to the Central, this time in his regular ministerial garb, and informed Mr. Wilkinson that he inended to lay a charge of permitting gambling in the house against him, at the commissioners' meeting, and the best thing he could do was to plead guilty, if he wanted to save his distinguished patrons an unpleasant exposure. It is said that Harry's mind instantly flashed premonition of danger passed away almost as quickly as it came, and he defied the reverend gentleman to do his

DELIVERY OF MAILS.

Post Office Authorities Make Special Arrangements for Distribution of Christmas Parcels.

Owing to Christmas falling on Sunday the local postal authorities have found it necessary to make special arrangements for the distribution of mail. It is expected that a large amount will arrive from England, the United States and Eastern Canada to-night, to-morrow and

It has been decided, therfore, to enlist the services of a number of express wagons in order that all parcels for Victoria and neighboring districts may be delivered before Christmas. This the steamer Princess Victoria connect with the Eastern train and the large mail looked for arrives. Thus it is inte all packages, letters, etc., will be clear by Saturday night. On Monday morning the wagons will be employed again for the purpose of handling the mails of ing above him but the trees. Saturday and Sunday nights as expeditiously as possible. By this arrangement

department will be open until 9 o'clock active service in Manitoba. He was the work to be carried on during the to-night and to-morrow evening. Besides, armangements have been made by sides, arrangements have been made by the collector of customs to keep the appraiser's offices open until 8 o'clock on the evenings mentioned. The carrying out of this plan depends, of course, upon the arrival of the English and Unit-

WAS A VISITOR HERE

Left his Mark in the Territories-Has Had an Eventful and Distinguished Career.

Hugh Richardson, late senior judge of

Hon, Mr. Richardson will be remembered as the judge before whom Louis Riel was tried in 1885. He recalls quite vividly the features of that celebrated rial in which were engaged the leading coursel of Canada. For the prosecution there appeared Christopher Robinson, B. B. Osler, Mr. Casgrain, of Quebec, and the present Mr. Justice Scott, while de-fending the prisoner were Mr. (now Judge) Lemleux, Chas. Fitzpatrick (now Minister of Justice) J. N. Greenshields, a name rather familiar to Victorians, and

in his behalf to the Court of Queen's Bench in Winnipeg. Judge Richardson granted him a reprieve of 29 days, and received from the prisoner a gracious letter in which were expressed his thanks and the hope that the judge would live as many years as he had granted the prisoner days of life. The case was finally The following pupils having attained first rank for the subjects named are entitled to be placed on the honor roll:

Regina, in the November following. It is customary to bury the remains of customary to bury the remains of counted criminals in the jail yard. executed criminals in the jail yard, where they pay the penalty, but in this instance they were turned over to his friends, who buried them beneath the Catholic church at Regina, whence they were removed later to Winnipeg. While they lay under the floor of the church a guard was stationed about the edifice t prevent them from being stolen. The trial caused intense excitemen

throughout Canada, extending even the United States, and Judge Richard son received letters from Massachusetts and Montana, threatening him with death if Riel were executed. Petitions were received from different parts of missioners of Nanaimo, held last even-ing, there was practically nothing done Canada and the British possessions as well as the United States, for a commutation of his sentence, and also for a commission to examine into his mental condition. At the trial Riel's counse "It is understood that an information has been taid by Rev. Mr. Hughes and will be sworn to before Police Magistrate Yarwood to-day, and a date set for the bearing of the case workship or t hearing of the case, probably at the beginning of next week."

The commissioners therefore laid the arrower for a week to allow of the the carefully considerable portion of it to thanking the careful to the careful t matter over for a week to allow of the the opposing counsel, the court and the jury for allowing him to go to his death

a pretty swift game of black jack. Keeping his own counsel, so the story goes, Northwest, many of which are in force it was to afford those less fortunatene sat down to the table, called for a to-day and are a standing tribute to his hand and played several rounds, with the good work. On the occasion of his retirement, a year ago, Premier Haultain ars richer than when he sat down. He said that in the writing of the history of the Territories the name of Judge Rich ardson would be given a pron The tactful, humane and practical way in which the judge had administered the law in the early days had, in his opinion much to do with the good law and order which was maintained at the present day.
In conversation with Judge Richard-

son, the Times learned that he was born in England on July 21st, 1826, being a son of the late Richard Richardson, who came from England to Little York, now Toronto, in 1831, and became, in 1835, the first manager of the Bank of Upper Canada at London, Ont. He was educated in the London District Grammar school, studied law under the late John Wilson, Q. C., afterwards judge, and was called to the bar in 1847. He practiged law in Woodstock until 1872, and was county crown attorney of Oxford from 1856 to 1862. He entered the civi service as chief clerk for the Canadian department of justice in 1872, and continued in the position until 1876, when he was sent to the Northwest as stipendiary magistrate and as legal adviser to newly appointed Lieut.-Governor Laird. He was stationed at Battleford for six years, but on the removal of the seat of government he was transferred His appointment as judge of the Su-preme court of the Northwest dated from the time of creation of the legislative assembly in 1888, when he was appoint ed a legal expert, and remained diary magistrate that he presided at the

February 18th, 1887. His Lordship was appointed in 1886, a member of the first executive council of the Territories, and continued to sit on that body up to position up to the time the office was abolished, in 1891. It was as a stipentrial of Louis Riel and other state prisoners in connection with the rebellion of method will be adopted to-morrow should 1885. He served as administrator to the government in 1897 and 1898. Holding ourt in the old days was strenuous work. For iustance, Judge Richardson twice a year travelled overland over 300 miles from Battleford to Fort Qu'Appelle to do promoter of the undertaking, stating so, and many a night he slept with noth-

In his younger days Judge Richardson gave much of his time to the volunpossible time after reaching here.

This, however, is not all that is being lone to accommodate those expecting Phristmass mail. The general delivery lepartment will be open until 9 o'clock english and to-morrow evening Residue to the succession of the property of the succession of the suc

preme court of the Northwest Territories was five judges, but three years ago a change was made and the court now consists of a chief justice and five puisne judges, as follows: Hon. Mr. Sifton, chief gin with the idea in view to secure their parcels in time for Christ-recently, and Harvey. Hon. Mr. Rich- stances warrant. ardson was senior to all these judges.

Rehearsals Will Be Begin Early in January.

In order to correct a false impression that seems to have been created regarding the proposed Musical Festivals, J. G. Brown, the chairman of the local festival committee, wishes to state that lthough the Musical Festivals under Sir Alexander Mackenzie will not take place until the month of March, 1906, the committee of the local festival chorus have decided that it would be inadvis-able to dispand until next season, but that rehearsals should begin immediately after the helidays, the first of which will be held on Wednesday evening, January 4th. The amedian is to begin rehearsal. be held on Wednesday evening, January
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lows: Editress, Miss Nora Lurin; assistant editress, Miss Nora Lurin; assistant editress, Miss Muriel Dunsmuir; city news reporter, Miss Ethe dred McDlling; school news reporter, Miss Land Reporter of the Messiah," with a view to its permit formance, some time in April next, after which for the remaining months of the Messiah with a view to its permit formance, some time in April next, after which for the remaining months of the musical season the work to be rendered at the Festival in 1906 will be put in reheart and again taken up at the complete of the season 1905-1906. musical season the work to be rendered at the Festival in 1906 will be put in remencement of the season 1905-1906, about october. The chorus will then those who assisted in the recent campaign to a smoking concert. There was about 150 in attendance. Nothing necessary for the success of the function was omitted, the committee in charge of the arrangements attending to extry netall with commendative the commendative the commendative the commendative three states of the function was omitted the commendative three states of the function was omitted. The conduction will be received by the conduction of the Northwest Territories, a position from which he retired a year ago, after a service of some 27 years. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Richardson, and both were registered at the Balmoral. They have had ample time to perfect them selves before the date of the Festival.

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Through the kindness of the Festival.

A very pleasing and attractive drill. the large and commodious schoolroom for the rehearsals. This building is splendidly adapted for this purpose, being well lighted, comfortable, centrally located and the acoustic properties excellent. Those who intend making application for membership in the Festival chorus should do so without delay. The committee also make request to anyone possessing copies of the "Messiah," and who do not intend taking part, to lend them for the occasion. The committee will be responsible for the safe return. The conductor or secretary will be glad

trial was eight days. While Riel was in jail at Regina waiting execution, an appeal was taken

HUNDREDS OF BOXES SENT OUT BY TIMES

the Leading Papers of the World Receive Tasteful Souvenirs of Victoria's Charms.

(From Friday's Daily.) Victoria has long enjoyed proud distinction for its incomparable climate, and her fame in that respect is spreading year by year. Her midwinter gardens abloom with roses, carnations, violets, etc., giving forth blossom and Canadian West.

Canadian West.

It is not, however, in regard to flowers given by the teaching staff. The rooms ing when the House meets. that Victoria stands unique, for the coast cities can all boast of the same conditions to a more or less extent. It is as students. the "holly" city that she excels, for no-where does the English variety, with its were: Mrs. Black, Miss Black, Mrs. glorious green and its red berries, attain such perfection as in Victoria. The climatic conditions, florists state, are just what are required not only to Mr. Hicks, Mr. Auld, Miss Davidson,

ly situated, as well as to assist in the work which the Tourist Association was organized to prosecute, that the Times this winter undertook to furnish the outside and holly-less world with sprigs from local gardens. Several boxes containing typical berried sprigs of holly and a nosegay of violets, or other flower, were sent out last week with the compliments of the Times to all parts of the world. Most of these went to the leading newspapers of England, Ireland, Scotland, the United States, Australia and Canada, but each of the special con respondents of the Times in Canada, the States and England, the different adver tising agencies with which the Times has business, and others, received one of these souvenirs. The newspapers include

ed all the leading papers, from the London Times down. In addition to these a number of prominent people in political and business life in Eastern Canada were remembered. The whole venture was carried out cally, the holly and violets being from he garden of R. H. Johnson & Co., and the boxes being specially manufactured by Hibben & Co. The cover of the boxes bore a tasteful design in two colors, red and green, designed and exe-cuted by the B. C. Engraving Company, of this city. The words "Xmas Greetings" were inclosed in a holly wreath in the upper corner, the red and the green eing brought out in the natural colors. as the senior officer, entrusted with the ministration of justice in the Territories. In addition the cover bore the words: "From the Times Printing & Publishing From the Times Printing & Publishing Company, Limited, Victoria, B. C. Gathered in Victoria Gardens, Xmas,

Already appreciative notices are be ginning to be received from nearby recipients of the souvenirs.

SMELTER AT FRANK.

Zinc Reduction Works to Be Located There By C. Fernau. "The zinc smelter for the Crow's Nest

Pass, of which there has been much talk for several months, is to become a reality and is to be located at Frank," says the lead, \$1.50; gold, silver and copper in Nelson News. "A telegram was received one sample, \$3; gold, silver and lead in at Nelson on Monday from C. Fernau, that a decision to that effect had been \$5; arsenic, \$5; chromium, \$8; cobalt and "The Daily News is informed that

\$3; zinc, \$2.50. Sarnia during the Fenian Raid of 1866. | will be erected first without permanent | in triplicate, or more, double above fig-The original constitution of the Su- foundations, and that when these are up | ures. Discounts—When five samples are it will be practicable to lay the founda-tions inside them for the plant without danger of the masonry being injured by at one time, 20 per cent. frost. It is stated that the plant to be-

ed smelter is, of course, to treat ores for | Silver in the Sulphide Ores of the Slocal smetter is, of course, to treat ores to grant and can," by Douglas Lay.

lead ores. The company expects to treat

A special feature of the work of the lead ores. The company expects to treat the zinc ores of the Kootenays, and to

hood of 15 tons of coal to one of con-

centrates, the advantage of being located

A HOUSE WARMING.

Many Guests Entertained at the Twen-

tieth Century Business College.

Norton Prinz, principal of the Twen-

Mrs. Printz and the college staff, enter

and no feature conducive to an enjoyable time was omitted. Refreshments were

liberally served, tables in the teaching

cooms being abundantly laden, and the

comfort and pleasure of the guests were

provided for in a manner which aroused

During the evening an excellent musi-

cal and literary programme was rendered, including a number of very clever re-

citations by Mr. Prinz, whose versatility

Noah Shakespeare made a few com

plimentary remarks during the evening.

He congratulated the principal, his wife and staff of teachers on the astonishing

success which was attending their enter-prise. From the most insignificant be-

ginnings the Twentieth Century Business College had grown to be something

hand and in typewriting. Mr. Shake-speare said he found it comparatively

their warmest appreciation.

is surprising.

near the coal is obvious.

the end that the cheapest possible treatment charges may obtain, the mines of members wishing employment. The of British Columbia shipping zinc ores lists are kept by Arthur A. Cole, the will be expected to concentrate at the various concentrating plants now in operation or in course of construction, and the ores be shipped to the Frank smelter in the form of concentrates. It was with very satisfactory. Mr. Cole is the asthis idea in view that it was decided to locate the smelter at some one of the coal mining towns of the pass. As the smel-ter will use somewhere in the neighbor-

TWO MEN MISSING

Sault Ste Marie, Ont., Dec. 23.-The tug Reid has returned from Cariboo sland after an unsucessful search for V. O. Demers, lightkeeper there, and Fred. Pelletier Demers, assistant, who have not been heard of for several weeks. There was no sign of life of any weeks. There was no sign of life of any kind on the island, and it is feared that reach, the north shore in a small boat.

tieth Century Business College, situated in the commodious apartments over Nicholles & Renouf's store on the corner of Yates and Broad streets, assisted by tained a large number of friends of the institution on Thursday. The occasion was the formal opening of the college,

TO GO INTO SUBJECT

Two Cabinet Ministers, D. R. Ker and J. E. Buntzen, Selected-Enter Upon Duties At Once.

At the last session of the legislature the Premier promised that the subject would be gone into exhaustively, and an appropriation of \$5,000 was made for which was attracting attention not only all over this city, but also throughout the this purpose. This was put forward as a circumstance calculated to mitigate the evils of the wonderful assessment act province, owing to the remarkable results attained by its pupils, both in shortwhich was forced through the House. It was represented that the measure would easy to prophecy in regard to the Twentieth Century Business College that, subjected to criticism by the experts on the subject who would be appo great as had been the advance made, it was only in the first stage of its career and usefulness.

on the subject was would be upper on the commission. Pressed for the personnel of the commission, the finance minister said that it was proposed to The principal replied in suitable terms, and expressed the hope that the time the subject in Ontario.

and expressed the hope that the time would come when the college would have not one hundred students, as it had to-day, but five hundred, preparing them-ently the subject has been thought of by selves for useful lives in many capacities some member of the government in connection with the preparations for the and this new board, nominated by the clubs in the world of business.

The new college is splendidly fitted up for the purposes of instruction. There mission has accordingly been appointed,

is a perfect flood of daylight in all the rooms, while the provision for lighting at night is also thoroughly efficient. The government has not yet made pubtypewriter desks are arranged on an in-genius plan for the accommodation of it is understood that it will consist of the fragrance regardless of the change of seasons, constitute one of the great attractions of the city, and is an asset of the first magnitude in pushing the claims of Victoria as the tourist resort of the Canadian West.

Chr's mas Vacations. where its production is rendered impossible by climatic conditions.

Shakespeare, Mr. Lawson, Mrs. N. Gazette notice is given that the time for success its members must not be merely sible by climatic conditions.

Shakespeare, Miss Emily Nicholles, Mr. receiving tenders for leases of foreshore representative, but must be men who will receive the standard through t

Reynard, Miss Carr, C. Hopper, Miss Hopper, Miss Giddings, F. Saunders, Mrs. Saunderson, Miss Atwood, Miss Wilson, Major Nicholles, Mrs. Nicholles, Misses Fox, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Cowper, Mrs. Cowper, Miss Cowper, Miss Harris, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Behnsen, Miss Behnsen, Mr. Sommers, Mr. J. Sommers, Dr. Lewis Hall, H. W. Northcott, W. H. Bone, Edgar Ashton and P. Shakespeare.

ASSAY RATES.

Scale of Prices Adopted By the B. C.

Last week there was a well attended meeting of the B. C. Institute of Assayers held in the Hotel Allan at Rossland.

. C. Wynne, of the Le Roi, was in the following officers were elected for 1905: President, William F. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, Victoria; vice-president, A. J. McNab, Canadia smelting works, Trail; secretary-treasurer, Arthur A. Cole, Centre Star mine, Rossland. The following named, in addition to the officers elected, constitute the nembers of the council: J. Cuthbert Welch, smelter manager, Montreal & Boston Copper Company, Boundary Falls; Alex. McKillop, Nelson; Thomas Kiddie, smelter manager, Tyee Copper Company, Ladysmith; Herbert Carmichael, provincial assayer, Victoria. The treasurer's report showed the in stitute to be in a very flourishing condition, both in regard to membership and

financial condition. Any assayer holding a British Columbia certificate of efficincy in assaying is eligible for membership in the institute. The committee appointed to draw up a scale of minimum assay charges reported the following, which was adopt-

institute for use throughout the prov-Fire Assays-Gold, \$1.50; silver, \$1; one sample, \$3.

Wet Assays-Alumina,\$2.50; antimony nickel, not separated, \$5; cobalt separated from nickel. \$10; copper, \$2; iron, \$2; work on the erection of the smelter will lead, \$2; lime, \$2.50; magnesia, \$3; man-be commenced at once, or as soon as ganese. \$5; nickel separated from cobalt, \$10; phosphorus, rough determina-tion in an ore, \$5; silica, \$3; silica, insoluble matter, no fusion, \$1; sulphur,

For control work, i. e., assayed in duplicate, add 50 per cent. to above figures. For umpire work, i. e., assayed submitted at one time, 10 per cent .; when ten or more samples are submitted

gin with is to be built on the basis of a they will be printed and distributed to

institute is the formation and main-tenance of a register of vacancies and to employers at frequent intervals, and

Lightkeeper and Assistant Believed to Have Lost Their Lives.

OF THE ASSESSMENT

The commission promised by the proincial government to inquire into the whole subject or assessment in the provice has been appointed.

There has been little or nothing heard mission has accordingly been appointed,

IS FURTHER EXTENDED

For Foreshore Leases - Appointments in Current Gazette - Supreme Court

This Gazette also contains the follow- men in whom they have absolute confidence,

William H. Sutherland, of the city of Reveletoke, M. D., to act as deputy of James Wm. Cross, M. D., coroner. James R. Brown, of Fairview, mining recorder, to be acting government agent, acting gold commissioner, for the Osooos mining division, acting registrar of marriages, acting registrar of the County court of Yale, holden at Fairew, acting registrar of voters for the Similkameen electoral district, and reording officer under the Cattle Act for he Similkameen cattle district, during e absence upon leave of Charles A. R.

Lambly. Alexander Shields, of Kamloops, and Austin Henry Clements, of Nelson, to be ustices of the peace within and for the

rovince of British Columbia.

During the Christmas vacation all applications "which may require to be immediately or promptly heard" are to be made to the Hon. Mr. Justice Irving, who will act as vacation judge, the registrar arranging an appointment, if

Applications in urgent matters may lso be made by post. In such case the pplication should be accompanied by an ffice copy of the affidavits in support of he application, and also, on a separate sheet of paper, by a draft of the order On applications for injunction (in ad-

tion to the above) a copy of the writ and a certificate of write issued must Papers sent to the judge will be returned to the registrar.

The address of the vacation judge can obtained on application at the regis-

trar's office.

The following companies have been in Bannockburn Mines, capital, \$500,tal, \$50,000.

A court of revision and appeal, und the provisions of the Assessment Act, for New Westminster district, will be held at the court house, New Westminster, on Friday, December 30th, 1904, at 10 'clock in the forenoon. Notice is given that all placer mining

laims legally held in the Alberni, Clayouot and Quatsino mining divisions, are aid over from this date until May 1st 1905.

Notice is given of the assignment of Thomas Morley, of Nelson, lately carrying on business as Morley & Co., station-

"The principal business of the propos- L. C. Wynne; "The Determination of as justice of the peace has been accepted. ly agreed on the subject.

LOCAL KENNEL CLUB

Has Withdrawn From Western Association, Which Will Probably Go Out of Existence.

The Victoria Kennel Club no longer owes allegiance to the Western Kennel Association. It has been decided by local fanciers to sever all connection with the latter body. This action was taken owing to the fact that the California clubs have gone over to the American Kennel League, which practically means that the W. K. L. will BEEN APPOINTED the California associations declared for the and it is altogether probable that Washing-

ton fanciers will do the same. The matter was thoroughly considered at the recent meeting of the Victoria club, when it was thought best to desert the W. K. L., and, British Columbia being altogether outside the jurisdiction of the A. K. L., join the Canadian Kennel League. Another meeting of the local club will be held early in January to arrange details

and transact general business. Secretary McConnell has received several communications from Norman J. Stewart, secretary of the Western Kennel Association, explaining the unexpected action of California clubs and the circumstances that led up to their decision to amalgamate with the A. K. L. He points out that the power placed in the hands of a Pacific advisory board appointed by the American Kennel League make so many concessions to the Western clubs that they are practically given the management of Coast shows. This was all that any of them desired, and, therefore, it was generally thought advisable to join the parent association.

Mr. Stewart also forwards the appended statement: 1. The Pacific advisory board shall consist of seven members, three of whom shall be nominated by the California clubs, two by the Oregon clubs and two by the Wash-ington clubs, in the manner specified under Sec. 2 by the body of representatives. the advisory board to the American Kennel Club for approval. On approval by the A. K. C. of those nominations the nominees shall take their seats on the advisory board, of the Coast and approved by the A. K. C., shall have all the powers and privileges of

the old board. This concedes to the Coast a board nominated by the clubs of the Coast and representative of the Coast, a concession the importance of which should not be underestimated, and which removes a serious

grievance of many years' standing. In the new board every section of the Coast will be represented. Clubs will feel that they have a personal interest in the hoard and that in their delegate they have not merely a representative in, but a friend on the board who may be relied on to promote and protect the interests of their

part of the Coast. 2. In the event of the death or resignation of any member of the Pacific advisory board he body of representatives shall at once hold a meeting and shall send the names of hree men whom it would suggest to fill the vacancy to the advisory board. The advisory board shall choose from these three names the one which in its opinion will make the most suitable member. nominee to be approved of by the A. K. C.

> a harmonious advisory board is assured. The Body of Representatives. 2. The body of representatives shall consist of a delegate from each show giving lub, a member of the A. K. C. This body shall meet in San Francisco and nominat by ballot seven men as members of the Pacific advisory board. clubs shall nominate three members, the regon club two members and the Washngton club two members. (This ratio has been fixed by the number of clubs in each state. California has eight clubs, Oregon two, and Washington two.) These seven nominations shall be sent by the secretary f the body of representatives to the secre tary of the advisory board. (For further

roceedings see Sec. 1 advisory board.) This body of representatives shall be cognized by the Pacific advisory board Chambers during the Christmas vacaand recommendations to the Pacific adbody's opinion are desirable. It is hoped that by this means the advisory board may be kept in touch with the Coast fanciers, a great majority of whom belong to club and who in the past have had no official way of making suggestions to or bringing grievances before the advisory board. N. B.-A show giving club is a club having held, or organized for the purpose of club holding a show confined to its breed will not be considered a show giving club. These changes will not affect the local club to any extent. Shows will be held annually as heretofore, the only difference being that Canadian Kennel regulationsmuch similar to those of the Western Kennel League-will be enforced. It is expected that the associations of Vancouver and New Westminster will take the same action as Victoria.

MASSACRED BY NATIVES

Lieutenant and Thirty-seven Men Ambushed and killed in the Philippines. Manila, Dec. 23.—The Pula Janes have ambushed and killed at Dolores, on

the Island of Samara, a lieutenant and 37 emisted men of the 38th company of Two thousand Pula Janes, it is said, threaten the town of Dolores and the situation is said to be critical. Lieut. Abbott, in command of the scouts, has requested that aid be sent him.

TRADE MARKS IN CHINA

Pekin, Dec. 23.-In consequence of epresentations on the part of the German, Austrian, French and British ministers, the Chinese authorities have undertaken to discuss the proposed amendand those receiving notice will be able and the basis of the trade marks' regulations, and in the meantime not to register trade and and authors were: "The Extraction of increasing the capacity as circumstance of the peace has been accepted.

The resignation of Louis J. Seymour marks until all the powers are completed as justice; Justices were and in the meantime not to register trade and and authors were: "The Determination of as justice of the peace has been accepted. and in the meantime not to register trade

vitness. He was ex-, the facilities for the in case of fire, and the ed that a fire had startceived in Nanaimo the steamer Wye-field will leave San Francisco for an unnamed Russian port with a cargo of

-Thursday the Young Men's Christian Association received a gift of \$25 from W. R. Rubb, of Comox. Secretary Northcott gratefully acknowledges the generous donation.

-Several school teachers who appeared desirous of dispensing with the for mality of paying the revenue tax were summoned to appear in the police court n Friday, at the instance of Collector Carter. They had to pay, however, not only the tax but the costs in each case, which amounted to \$2.

-The sneak thief was busy at Shawnigan Lake on Wednesday afternoon. He entered the house of Frank Elford while the latter was away, and made off with a suit of clothes in which was a watch and chain. The local police were notified, but in the absence of any clue to the identity of the man it is hardly like

-Inquiries are being made as to the whereabouts of Mr. Nelson, formerly of Salt Spring Island. On November 29th Salt Spring Island. On November 29th and Campbell; half backs, Locke, Knox and campbell; half backs, Locke, Knox and Brown; forwards, Sweeney, McArand came to Victoria. He was last seen here about December 2nd. Anyone with information respecting his whereabouts is requested to communicate with F. J. Bittancourt, 53 Blanchard street.

-The third annual banquet of the Victoria newsboys will be given by the Colonist Printing & Publishing Co. at the Hotel Davies on the evening of the 27th. The youngsters are looking forward to the coming treat with pleasuranticipation, recalling the delights of the two previous feasts. These, it ered were given by Rich-

-An express driver met with a misadventure on View street Thursday afternoon. He was driving towards Doug-las street, and just as he reached the corner a heavy gust of wind removed the wagon top. The driver was carried away with it, and being entangled in the reins was dragged across the street. Sergt. Redgrave hastened to his assistance, and readjusted the wagon top. The driver received several cuts on the head.

-A quiet wedding took place at Christ Church cathedral on Wednesday evening, when Mr. George E. Frederick Sutton, of this city, and Miss Dmily Jane Middieton, were united in the holy bonds of the near future. matrimony. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Baugh Allen. Later, the happy couple, together with a number of guests, enjoyed a wedding supper at the of registering before they can vote at the residence of Mr. Callow, Fort street. A forthcoming municipal elections. large array of presents testified to the quiry at the office of the assessor in the popularity of the newly married couple.

-Friday afternoon the drawing Swan soap. The drawing was held at the West End Grocery, and the winning number was 1,052. The soap which won the prize was sold by Johns Bross. The holder of the ticket can obtain the gramaphone by calling at the office of the B. C. Soap Company, Humboldt street. Another drawing will be held for a gramaphone about the end of January.

____ The manager of the Seamen's Institute thankfully acknowledges the receipt of reading matter during the month of November from the following: Miss Jessie Mason, Mrs. R. Maynard, Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, Mrs. Win: Atkins, Mrs. P. K. Turner, the Lord Bishop of Columbia, the Navy League (Victoria-Esquimalt branch), B. C., the Municipal Council (D. W. Higgins's book "The Mystic Spring"). Mr. Thos. Barie, M. P., Mr. cil (D. W. Higgins's book "The Mystic Spring"). Mr. Thos. Barle, M. P., Mr. John H. Yeo, Mr. J. C. Mackay, Mr. David A. N. Ogilvy, Mr. H. Burnett, the Caughter of Mr. and had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, not only Times and Colonist daily papers, the weekly paper Progress, and one anony-

At a meeting of the school board on Thursday a letter was received from the secretary of the Vancouver board, askmen's to the School Act. The secretary was instructed to inform the writer that the Victoria board would be represented. The board authorized the secretary to arrange for a formal tree planting at the High school grounds on the opening day of next term. Principal Gills was grant-leak, as there is much sand and debris packed around the opening. A force of of next term. Principal Gallis was granted two months' leave of absence—from packed around the opening. A force of men is at work to clear the hold. The permission to attend the Mainland teachers' convention to those who intended ment. Whether the Leelanaw will have reading papers. The superintendent was authorized to make provisional arrange other trip North is yet unknown. The ment for a teacher for the High school work of discharging the inward cargo of for the coming term, as it was not deem-ed expedient to make a permanent appointment at present.

-The Victoria Orphange has re-ceived a Christmas gift from Cariboo which is most acceptable at this season of the year. The donation is sent from Bakerville, B. C., and has been handed to the treasurer of the Home by Mrs. Charlotte Brown, of Beacon Cettage, Victoria, to whom the amount was sent. The Bakerville donators were: Mrs. A. Kelly, \$5; James Boyce, \$2.50; Harry Jones, M. P. P., \$2; James Innis, \$2; Harry Wilcox, \$2; Mrs. Harrey Flynn, Harry Wilcox, \$2; Airs. Harvey Flylli, \$2; John Stevenson, \$1; John Bowron, \$1; John Bowron, \$1; John Pomeroy, \$1; Wm. Anderson, \$1; John Pomeroy, \$1; T. A. Blair, \$1; Mrs. James Stone, \$1; Mrs. Wm. Kelly, \$1; Patrick McKenny, \$1; Mrs. Chas. Howse, \$1; James Ross, \$1; Wm. J. McControl St. A. H. Boody, \$1; Robert Carty, \$1; A. H. Beedy, \$1; Robert Yorston, \$1; Miss Catherine Brown, 50 Columbia representative had to be made. cents; total, \$32.

An Eastern exchange says: "A re- before the board of trade in Victoria cent Canadian Pacific press dispatch when he was here last summer, namely from Victoria stated that the Great that it would not be long before the C. Northern railway proposed to withdraw P. R. Company would be supplying a from passenger business between the Mainland and Victoria. C. W. Graves, Canadian freight and passenger agent of the oracl Northern at Toronto, yesterday received a letter from W. W. Broughton, general freight agent of the few days previously, in effect that one or road, in which he states that this report more of the steamers to be built would may have created the impression among be for the Pacific. The company now Canadian shippers that the Great Northern intended to withdraw from Victoria mer with their Empress liners, but with Canadian shippers that the Great Northern intended to withdraw from Victoria business altogether. He, therefore, desired to advise all parties interested, especially those shippers who have favored the Great Northern with Victoria business in the past, or who are in the business in the past, or who are in the business in the past, or who are in the ferming of the fining to great with the summer of the form of the fining to great the form of the form of the fining to great the form of the fining to great the first the frest this morning elicited a reply to the effect that the festivities had proved a greater channels. Weather conditions were improved, the string form has been away from his duties since last summer on leave of a greater than the case for past, where channels. A few minor form the East, where this morning elicited a reply to the effect that the festivities had proved a greater than the case for past, where channels. Weather conditions were improved, the first manner. According to the dimensions given the fest summer on leave, of though the fog still hangs over London, interfering to some extent with shipping duties since last summer on leave, of the summer, and the fest that the festivities had proved a greater than the end way from his duties since last summer on leave, of the summer, and the fest that the festivities had proved a greater than the ease for manner. According to the dimensions given the fest withing the fog still hangs over London, the first manner. According to the official manner. According to the dimensions given the fest withing the found the found the found that the festivities had proved a greater than the ease for morning to the fest in the rest withing the found the found the found that the festivities had proved a greater than the

-The post office staff are smoking the -The post office staff are smoking the health of Messrs. A. W. Knight, Shall-eross & Macaulay and R. P. Rithet & week be held as follows: Wednesday, arithmetic; Thursday, book-keeping; Friday, penmanship.

-Mr. W. H. Knight, of Victoria, and Mrs. Mary Cecilia Littlewood, aged 34 years, wife of Geo. F. Littlewood, No. 3 McClure street. The funeral has been by Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B. A., B. D., on arranged to take place on Wednesday Wednesday, December 21st, at New afternoon at 2.30 from the residence.

toria on that occasion. It gives brief accounts of addresses by C. E. Redfern, J. Peirson, the local secretary; A. E. Mc-Phillips, K. C., and Senator Macdonald.

-S. A. Perkins, of the Tacoma Ledger, has issued a neat little folder nicely illustrated, called the Perkins Press. It contains some interesting statistical information concerning Tacoma, and gives a brief history of Mr. Perkins's journalistic enterprises, the Tacoma Ledger, the Tacoma Daily News, the Bellingham Herald, the Olympia Daily do not use tobacco broke their Recorder, the Everett Daily Herald and lutions and raided the box. the Tacoma Engraving Company.

-As mentioned in another column, junior Association football match will be played between the St. Louis College and Capital teams, commencing at 1.30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Beacon lows: Goal, Smith, full backs, Robins thur, Barnes, Johns and O'Rourke.

-The usual Christmas tree and entertainment of St. Paul's Sabbath school will take place in Semple's hall. Vicoria West, on Tuesday evening next. The children will be served with supper from 5.30 to 6.30. The programme by the children, prepared under the direc tion of Miss Mary Hutchison, a sufficient guarantee of its excellency, will begin at 7.30 to be followed by the dis ribution by Santa Claus of a present t each child from a beautifully decorated

-A hockey match was played between the South Park and North Ward school girls' teams on Saturday at Beacon Hill. It was won by the former, the score being 5 goals to 1. The game was not as uneven as the score makes it appear, the opposing elevens being evenly balanced and putting up a first-class exhibition. The South Park girls undoubtedly had the fastest forwards and the best shots, and to this is their victory attributed. Miss N. Erskine did the scoring for the North Ward eleven. For the winners Miss Norma Hall was the most prominent. She made three of the goals, and played a clever reliable game throughout. It is understood that a return match be ween the two teams will be arranged for

city hall by the Times Friday disclosed that so far only 220 had made the required declarations at Mr. Northcott's took place for the gramaphone drawn for in connection with the sales of White they will be disfranchised. They have only until the end of the month in which to do so, and should any person be deprived of his vote at the approa form to the regulations, he will have no one to blame but himself.

-Mrs. E. C. Musgrave, wife of the manager of the Tyee copper mine, Mount The manager of the Seamen's Insti-e thankfully acknowledges the receipt dence, Duncans, on Thursday evening.

sudden demise will cause much sorrow and regret. g for the local trustees opinions re-nding a conference to discuss amend-jury. A survey was made on Thursday 1.800 tens of concentrates from the yesterday.

> -T. G. Mitchell, who has been an pointed Lloyd's surveyor for British Columbia, is recognized as one of the most competent engineers in Victoria. He has long been connected with the C. P. R. Company's fleet, and previously with the C. P. N. Company, and has held during this time about the most responsible positions in either service, it having been only last year that he was sent to England to superintend the in-stallation of the machinery in the steamer Princess Victoria. He came out use from England in charge of the engine department of the ship, and has since previously he was engineer on the Charmer. and has earned for himself a reputation for ability that led to no delay with

--Sir Thomas Shaughnessy's prediction

-The educational classes of the Young

-The death occurred on Monday

-There were some interesting -Under the head "Trafalgar Day ball contests at the the Y. M. C. A. gym-Celebrated at the Western Outpost of the Empire," the last issue of the Navy League journal contains a lengthy account of the celebration held in Vicario of

-G. H. Hadwen has returned fro Ontario, where he went shortly after the provincial exhibition last September, dispose of six carloads of horses bred in British Columbia. He brought back a carload of thoroughbred stock.

-Geo. Snider, the well-known con-Times staff on Christmas with a box of distributing gifts with his usual generoschoice cigars. They were so tempting ity and bringing joy and happiness to that even the members of the staff who every family circle. While the fact that do not use tobacco broke their good reso-

references have been made to the hand- swing yesterday, adults joining them in some and striking full page cover of the Times Xmas supplement. The entire cut was a credit to local artists and cut was a credit to local artists and partaken of with the usual zeal. The workmen, being designed and executed little ones of the Protestant Orphans' The St. Louis College team folGoal, Smith, full backs, Robins

workmen, being designed and take the by the B. C. Engraving Company of this city, whose work is attaining a more vincials islis, members of the Robins the Robins of the Robins

> ous services being conducted by Alfred H. Phillips. A number of appropriate hymns were sung and many beautiful floral tributes were presented. The fol-lowing acted as pallbearers: P. Phillips, B. Phillips, J. Donaldson and J. D.

> -The little ones of the Protestant Orphanage will make merry on Thursday afternoon from three to six o'clock, when their annual Christmas treat will institution are cordially invited to attend. and contributions will be thankfully received. It is to be hoped that charitably disposed Victoriaus will not neglect this opportunity of making the little ones

-A dispatch from Omaha says: "Edna, Wallace Hopper was the star in an inimance in straight comedy der the management of Frank McKee der the management of Frank active at Boyd's theatre Sunday night, for which she has for the present abandoned comic opera. Miss Hopper has the start comic opera. Miss Hopper has the start region of the in 'A Country Mouse,' by Arthur, and the principal trade of the principal role of 'The March of Time' as a cut; St. Larke's rehurch, Cedar Hill, was the reforment, as was extended to the principal role of 'The March of Time' as a cut; St. Larke's rehurch, Cedar Hill, was the reforment, as was extended by postnored the date almost to nave the rouse as semble on a Thursday. The statute requires the convening of the legislature within one year of the date of its prorogation. It was therefore necessary to call the legislators together before Octotain raiser. In both of these comedies, tain raiser. In both of these comedies, she makes the change from comic operations to the interior. Both services were well attended offerings were comedies selected for the part of the latest hour possible to comedies selected for the part of the latest hour possible. The government has not yet ancounted the officers of the House. A new complications."

The government, as was expended to the latest hour possible to comedies selected for the clergy and widows' and nounced the officers of the House. A new complications."

The committee in charge of the Sermons were delivered by Bishop in the lands and works department. The children's Cinderella, to take place out Cridge and Rev. H. J. 1Wood at the appointment of the sergeant at-arms, Thursday night at Assembly hall, Fort church of Qur Lord, Reformed Episcon law clerk, messengers, pages and extra asked to contribute cakes. Volunteers to a solo rendered by Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, assist, with the children's refreshments. In the evening a violin solo was given by will be gladly welcomed. The following. Edger Fewert and a very selection ellowed. The committee in charge of the J. McTavish, P. and H. Austin, J. Wil-liams and E. Hasell. Doors open at 6

WEIGHTED LIFE PRESERVER.

Considerable talk is heard on the waters' front to-day about the iron loaded life preserver shown in a number of places on Saturday. The Times was informed the the discovery had just been made, had Fred. Jeune, the local salimaker, in who possession the preserver was, says that the incident is not new, that he ran across to buoy last summer. He says furthermothat the preserver belonged to a steam which he thinks has long ceased run Mr. Jeune has the contract of repair preservers for nearly every steamship pany in Victoria, and he states that he h orders to discard anything which, in I of law. A buoy must weigh six and a ha sure a certain buoyancy. In Canadian pre-servers none but bona fide cork is used. On the other hand, in a great many American manufactured preservers is found com-pressed cork and occasionally tulle. This latter Mr. Jeune never passes, and he has The on his shelves now a number of this kind which, while they might be sufficiently which, while they might be sunccentary buoyant for all purposes, are not to be relied on. Mr. Jeune says that at times he has found nalls thrown into a preserver to help make up the weight, but the buoy in question is the most flagrant case of fraud to the most flagrant case of fraud to the sunccentary of the suncce coming under his attention.

that any company would knowingly keep turkeys and other provisions to be used such a thing aboard their steamer. It at the feast often occurs though, as a merchant pointthoroughly examined.

RELIEF FOR NEEDY.

Large Amount of Money Distributed Among the Poor in London.

London, Dec. 25.—Christmas Day passed quietly throughout the United Kingdom. The most notable feature of the day was the large amount of charity listributed as the result of the generous sums of money collected for this pur-pose through the newspapers and other

OBSERVED XMAS

AT ALL THE HOMES

The Iomates at Different Public Institutions Fared Well - Treats Yet to Come.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Christmas Day was observed in a quiet

manner by Victorians. Santa Claus Christmas came on Sunday prohibited juveniles, their spirits were allowed full numerous pastimes. Turkey and plum pudding were served everywhere and Home and immates of the Refuge Home were not forgotten. Charitably disposed citizens looked after their welfare, en-Thursday afternoon the remains of Miss Wilhelmina Eliza Redkrape were abling them to enjoy the season's good cheer. Families unable to fittingly celecter. brate owing to poverty were provided for by the Friendly Hely Association.

As mentioned, Sunday was spent quietly. Special appropriate services were held at all the local churches. Large congregations attended the morning and evening devotions at Christ Church cathedral, St. Andrew's Presbyterian, the First Presbyterian, the Metropolitan and Centennial Methodist churches and others. The services during the forenoon and in the evening at St. Andrew's Cathalic cathedral also attracted large crowds. The musical portion of the service at Christ Church cathedral on Sunday was exceptionally fine. A. T. tributed tenor solos, while Misses Todd, Jay and Palmer assisted. Rev. Percival Jenns, the rector, delivered the morning discourse and Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard occupied the pulpit in the evening.

At St, Saviour's church Rev. C. E. Cooper, M.A., occupied the pulpit both cision was reached at a meeting of the morning and evening. On the latter oc-casion the following carols were sung:

tette gave Glory to God in the High-

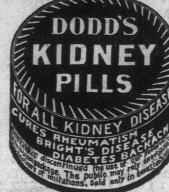
Both morning and evening services a the Centennial Methodist church were conducted by Rev. J. P. Westman. Two solos were rendered in the evening, Miss. Kayton giving "The Star of Bethlehem' and Miss Deaville "Dream of Paradise." The subject of Revie Dr. Campbell's evening sermon at the First Presbyterian forenoon, while Misses M. Wilson and B. Howell and Messrs. Macdonald and Redman gave appropriate songs in the evening.

"Christmas Noel" was the vocal selec tion rendered by Miss McCoy at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at the ation. Among these will be the followmorning services. A solo was sung by ing: The organization of a department of mines as a branch of the Dominion was given by Messrs. J. L. Gibson and O. McCoy. "Nazareth" was sung by J. Griffiths, and "Night of Nights" by Mrs. Campbell. Rev. W. Leslie Clay conducted services morning and evening. Appropriate musical programmes were enjoyed by those who attended Emanuel Baptist church, Calvary, Baptist and

tea between 5 and 7 o'clock. Following He does not find fault with competence of the great troubles and the many preservers is that the coverings dore Goodrich's residence and other than the coverings of the covering of t when they begin to wear out render the Esquimalt homes singing Christmas whole dangerous for use. With a number carols. In this connection it is announced of local steamship companies, however, an that on Wednesday evening a Christmas official inspection is never awaited, and the dinner will be served at 6 o'clock. The buoys are sent to the repair shop as soon good things provided having been enjoy-as they look the worse of long exposure or ed the soldiers and sailors will spend a with reference again to the weighted pleasant social evening. Rev. J. P. Hicks takes this opportunity of thanking preserver found, it is not to be supposed F. R. Stewart & Co. for the donation of

Handsome Christmas trees gaily decorated out this morning, that a cheap line of ed and laden with gifts adorned every goods are sold to meet an order where ward of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hosthere is keen competition. In such an pital on Sunday, having been provided by there is keen competition. In such an pital on Sunday, having been provided by lady's presence of mind in connection event the cheap article procured should be the Daughters of Pity. At about 6.30 with the attempt made last May to de o'clock on Christmas morning a number of nurses risited each of the wards singing Christmas hymns. In the afternoon there were special services. An appropriate address was delivered by Rev. Archibald Ewing, and a number of excellent musical selections were rendered. Yesterday tur-key, plum pudding and other delicacies were distributed among the patients, and everything possible was done to give them

> At the Old Men's Home yesterday all the inmates joined in celebrating the occasion.
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> Nothing essential was omitted, and inquiry Nothing essential was omitted, and inquiry the Orient with headquarters at Hong-this morning elicited a reply to the effect kong, has returne from the East, where



room at 6 o'clock, and at 8 a programm torium of the church, to which all the parents and friends of the school are cor dially invited.

The annual Christmas gathering of the members and friends of the Burnside Baptist mission, Tennyson road, will be held to-morrow evening. Tea will be served to the children at 6.30 o'clock, after which a the celebration of that day among the programme of choruses, recitations, etc., will be given by the children.

The Christmas tree and entertainment of the Victoria West Baptist Sunday school will be held this year in Semple's hall, Langford street, on Thursday evening. The children will partake of supper at 6 p. m., after which a suitable programme of music,

DATE FIXED FOR MEETING OF HOUSE

LEGISLATURE WILL ASSEMBLE FEB. 9TH

Government Has Put Off the Day A most as Late as the Statute Allows.

The local legislature has been called executive recently held.

The custom is to have the House as-semble on a Thursday. The statute re-

ciated at St. James church, where a colpointed, H. Mason, who served in that lection was taken up for the same fundation capacity last year, being now employed.

assist with the children's refreshments, with be gladly welcomed. The following, gladly welcomed. The following, gladly welcomed. The following, gladly welcomed. The following, gladly welcomed. The following gladly we pulpit. The musical programmes were some time during the session it is like especially creditable. The Star of ly that the widely famed railway policy Bethlehem was rendered by Gideon of the Premier and chief commission will Hicks in the morning. of the Came Upon be announced in detail. This is depend the Midnight Clear" was a vocal solo ent of course upon its passing safely rendered in splendid style by Mrs. G. J. through the caucus of the government Mr. Jeune, Who Showed It Saturday, Sars casion Mrs. Gideon Hick gave "The Out! this session promise to lack even the That It is an Old One. they did at the last meeting of the Hou

ROSSLAND.

A. B. Mackenzie, secretary of the church was "The Advent of Jesus Into the World." Mrs. J. Legg and Mrs. British Columbia, has issued a notifica-Briggs rendered vocal selections in the the had been instructed by G. associated boards of trade of eastern O. Buchanan, the president of the associated boards, that the next annual convention will be held in Nelson, probably in January or February, when a number of subjects of urgent importance to the service; the imposition of a duty on rough lumber coming into Canada; the encouragement of the production of zinc; encouragement of the production of zinc; the preservation of the remains of our and by the time Jackson had recover forests from destruction by fire; the can- himself, was out of sight. Clark is supcellation of the reserves on land; greater attention to the surveys of provincial within the last few days. He was servented by the surveys of provincial within the last few days. lands, with the object of guarding against ing a term for burglary at the time of the issue of duplicate titles to the same his former escape. land; assistance to a coast to Kootenay railway, and to the Kootenay Central railway.

NEW WESTMINSTER. At the regular committee meeting of the city council on Friday evening the mayor and aldermen handed to Guards Jos, Burr and R. B. Kelly, of the provincial jail, a gold-headed ebony cane and a case of pipes respectively. These gifts were made in recognition of the service of Messrs. Burr and Kelly in putting in shape the grounds of the Carnegie library with the chain-gang, of which

they had charge.
On Friday morning the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, through the local manager, F. R. Glover, presented Mrs. George Adams with a handsome gold ring, in recognition of that

Mayor Keary has received a com munication from the secretary of Andrew Carnegie to the effect that as soon as the work on the new public library is completed, another cheque of \$1,000 will be sent along to defray the expenses of bringing that institution up to a thor-

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floated the war loan in London, which provides the funds to carry on the fight with Russia, and they are now returning after the accomplishment of their task. The Bank of Japan is the official financial institution of the Empire, and upon these officials devolved the responsibility

ame nearly killing Detective Jackson on Saturday night. Clark was recognized in the city on Saturday by the detective, and laid his hards on him to arrest him. Clark tried to shake him off, but Jackson tightened his grip, and after a struggle both went to the ground. Jackson was on top of his opponent, and was ready to manacle him, when Clark got out a evolver and fired at his head. The bullet whizzed past Jackson's ear, and, stunned by the sound and blinded by the

YMIR.

last few days making final arrangements burg, Ont., contains the following according to the saw mill plant on the of his nomination: timber limits of the Active Gold Mining will be commenced at once upon erecting | Tuesday made the unantmous choice of the

able to ship any concentrates for the last | sented. nonth. The Kootenay Belle has four "Mr. Dowler was one of four nominees. cars of ore out ready sacked. The Key- and received the unanimous vote of the 263 stone has three cars ready, whilst the delegates present. other properties in this district are in exactly the same position.

CUMBERLAND GOSSIP.

Cumberland, Dec. 22.-James Strang's funeral took place here yesterday, and was largely attended. The Cumberland band headed the procession. Wide sym pathy is felt for the family as Mr. Strang was largely and universally re-The city is now covered with snow

which is still falling. Trade is increasing, and the number of ommercial men now visiting the city is more than usual. A good many inquiries are being made for farming lands in the neighborhood, and it is likely a boom in real estate will

SALT SPRING ISLAND NOTES.

On December 21st the people of the Vesuvius Bay neighborhood held a North End school. There was a good attendance and the programme was interesting and instructive. Rev. E. Wilson of negotiating one of the largest loans of presided, and in the course of his reodern times. Mr. Takahashi negotiat- marks he complimented the performers ed the loan in a mastery manner, and as and teacher, Miss Monat. The dialogue a result Japan was assisted to the extent of a loan of £10,000,000 in May and edy, or the funny side of life. The reciovember. Neither of the tation of Miss Laesk was also favorable gentlemen had any opinions to offer re- received. John Harrison received a well garding the war, beyond the belief that merited encore for his song. The singthe victory would ultimately be with ings of the Whims children, three boys Japan. Of this they had no doubt. and three girls, was also appreciated. Clark, alias King, who together with Miss Alice Collins presided at the organ. man named Jones made his escape After the programme, refreshments were from the city jail about two years ago, served, and later some of those present.

indulged in dancing. The many friends of Mrs. H. Stevens, of Churchill farm, will be pleased to hear who followed his man up carefully. Late that she is gradually improving in St. at night he caught him in the vicinity of the Clarence hotel, Seymour street, Hall and Jones performed a surgical

operation on her.
On the evening of Wednesday the young men of Ganges Harbor gave an "at home" to their friends in the Mahon memorial hall. Messrs. May and Young, carpenters, of

the firm of Haslam & Co., Nanaimo, are erecting a Methodist church in Central settlement, between Ganges Harbor and Vesuvius Bay.

The six schools of the island had their closing exercises on the 16th instant, and the pupils and teachers are now enjoying

A LIBERAL STANDARD BEARER.

their Christmas holidays.

W. A. Dowler, K. C., brother of W. J. Dowler, city clerk of Victoria, is the Liberal candidate for South Oxford for the approaching provincial elections in On-S. F. Mackay has been in town for the tario. The Tilsonburg Liberal, of Tilson-

"Amidst the greatest enthusiasm in one Company on Porcupine creek. The plant will be brought in this week and work riding, Mr. W. A. Dowler, K. C., was on Several hundred feet of logs are al- Liberals of South Oxford, Ontario, as their ready cut ready for the saw.

Snow is badly wanted in this district as very few of the mines can ship at present. The Queen mine has not been able to ship any concentrates for the last sounded.

"Mr. W. A. Dowler, K. C., is well known to the people of Oxford County and O tario. In 1890 he was elected deputy reeve, and reeve in 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894, in the latter year he was elected warden of the county."

BORN. DILL—At Nelson, on Dec. 19th, the wife of H. E. Dill, of a daughter.

COTTRELL-At Vancouver, on Dec. 23rd, the wife of Herbert V. Cottrell, of a ADAIR-At Revelstoke, on Dec. 20th, the wife of E. E. Adair, of a daughter. MARRIED.

KNIGHT-BEATTY—On the 21st Inst.. at Columbian College. New Westminster, by Rev. W. J. Sipprell. B. A., B. D., Mr. W. H. Knight, of Victoria, to Miss Jennie Beatty, of Vancouver. FOSTER-BRADEN-At Vernon, on Dec. 20th, by Rev. R. W. Craw, Frederick Foster and Ella Braden.

PARE-At Vancouver, on Dec. 24th, Mrs. V. L. Pare, aged 43 years. TOFTE-At Vancouver, on Dec. 23rd, Mrs. (Captain) Tofte, aged 36 years.

MORE PUPILS FOR THE HIGH S

LIST OF THOSE WHO PASSED RECEI

Examiners Completed Their Saturday Night-Victoria Beats the Province.

with the recent High school e completed their labors or night. The results are as fo

Chilliwack Centre Chilliwack-Number of ca passed, 1. Amelia Short, 667. Camp Slough-Number of 1; passed, 1. Edith H. Ry South Chilliwack-Nun dates, 1; passed, 0.

dates, 2; passed, 2. Adel 678; Edith M. Picken, 623. Cranbrook Centi Total number candidate Cranbrook—Number of

passed, 0.
Private study—Number dates, 2; passed, 2. Marsl 626; Jessie Gordon, 550. Total number candidat Cumberland—Number passed, 5. William L. G Laura L. Hall, 599; Jessie John Cameron, 570; Dorot.

passed, 0. Union Bay-Number of

3; passed, 0. Grand Forks Centr Total number candidates, 1 Grand Forks-Number of 10; passed, 9. Leslie A. M. Chester A. Smith, 657; Will 656; Claude Smith, 639; Sprinks, 634; James P. Gra Ethel Curran, 599; George Tr 575; Edna Curran, 568.

Kamloops Centre. Total number candidates, 7: Kamloops—Number of cano passed, 1. William F. Shaw, Rural School. Salmon Arm, West-Number didates, 1; passed, 1. Vietta I Private study—Number dates, 2; passed, 0.

Nanaimo Centre. Total number candidates, 21; Nanaimo Central—Number dates, 14; passed, 4. Joseph M 591; Frank C. Morgan, 579; Mills, 559; Lizzie Woodman, Rural Schools. Cedar, East-Number of c

1; passed, 0. Ladysmith—Number of 3; passed, 1. Bruce McKelvie, Nanaimo, South—Number of dates, 2; passed, 2. Ethel 590; Elizabeth C. Williams, 57 Wellington—Number of cand passed, 0.

Nelson Centre.

Total number candidates, 4; p Kaslo-Number of candid passed, 1. Ira M. Lindsay, Nakusp—Number of candid passed, 1. Ella Thompson, 595 St. Joseph's Convent—Nu

candidates, 1: passed, 0.

New Westminster Centa
Total number candidates, 27 Boys Central-Number of co sed 6. Geoffrey K. Bu Harold L. Fletcher, 668; N. Kenny, 658; Garnet S. Cork John J. Odin, 604; Ernest W. J. Girls' Central—Number of ca 7 passed, 6. Olive Allan Wil

Margaret McD. Wilson, 66 Adelia Minthorne, 625; Sophie deau, 606; Evelyn W. Turnb Julia S Gifford, 550. Sapperton—Number of candi passed, 2. Dennis Stott, 586; T. House, 561. Barnet-Number of candid passed, 0.

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dates, 1; passed, 0. Prairie-Number of candi passed, 0. Port Moody-Number of can passed, 0. Upper Sumas—Number of o 2; passed, 1. Marguerite Fade Revelstoke Centre.

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Total number candidates, 6; passed, 4. Chilliwack-Number of candidates, 2; passed, 1. Amelia Short, 667. Camp Slough-Number of candidates. 1: passed, 1. Edith H. Ryder, 624. South Chilliwack-Number of candi-

Harrison River—Number of candi-Harrison River—Number of candi-lates, 2; passed, 2. Adele Weaver, Merwin L. Woods, equal, 573; Edna 678; Edith M. Picken, 623. Cranbrook Centre. Total number candidates, 3; passed, 2.

John Cameron, 570; Dorothy Staples,

Rural Schools. Courtenay-Number of candidates, 1; Union Bay-Number of candidates,

Total number candidates, 10; passed, 9. Grand Forks—Number of candidates, 10; passed, 9. Leslie A. Manuel, 677; Chester A. Smith, 657; William Hay, 656; Claude Smith, 639; Margaret Sprinks, 634; James P. Graham, 603; Ethel Curran, 599; George Traunweiser, 575; Edna Curran, 568.

Kamloops Centre. Total number candidates, 7: passed, 2. passed, 1. William F. Shaw, 608.

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Salmon Arm, West-Number of can didates, 1; passed, 1. Vietta Kew, 554.
Private study—Number of candidates, 2; passed, 0.

Nanaimo Centre. Total number candidates, 21; passed, 7. Nanaimo Central—Number of candidates, 14; passed, 4. Joseph McKinnon, 591; Frank C. Morgan, 579; Annes V. Mills, 559; Lizzie Woodman, 550. Rural Schools.

Cedar, East—Number of candidates, passed, 0.
Burnaby West—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0. Ladysmith-Number of candidates, 3; passed, 1. Bruce McKelvie, 606.
Nanaimo, South—Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2. Ethel Madpass, 590; Elizabeth C. Williams, 577. Wellington-Number of candidates, 1;

Nelson Centre Total number candidates, 4; passed, 2. Kaslo—Number of candidates, 1; dates, 3; passed, 3. Eva. J. Huston, passed, 1. Ira M. Lindsay, 550. passed, 1. Ella Thompson, 595. St. Joseph's Convent—Number of

candidates, 1; passed, 0.

New Westminster Centre.

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Rossland Centre. Total number candidates, 16; passed, Rossland Central—Number of candidates, 11; passed, 9. Harold Graham, 699; Christina Buchanan, 689; Harry

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Tippett, 658; Alice Fox, 638; Emily Gaunt, 621; Margaret S. Goodeve, 604; William Goninan, 567; Florence M. Nicholson, 556; Margaret E. Chisholm, Trail—Number of candidates, 5; passed, 5. Frank Stevens, 651; Florence Binns, 614; Lorne S. Coleman, 578; Allan Merry, 556; Frederick A.

Vancouver Centre.

Total number candidates, 112; passed, Central-Number of candidates, 23: passed, 12. Mary Alice White, 657; Ivy A. Fierheller, 649; Lillian A. Ross, 643; Irene M. Fraser and Myrtle V. Sulley, equal, 617; Bessie Albert, 615; Myrtle

M. Mowat, 559. assed. 0.
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Coast. Total number candidates, 10; passed, 5. Cumberland—Number of candidates, 6; assed, 5. William L. Griere, 627; aura L. Hall, 599; Jessie Frame, 576; hn Cameron, 570; Dorothy Starles 1598; William R. Fleming and Murray McPhail, equal, 591; Stanles B. Nickson, McPhail, equal, 591; Starles B. Nickson, McPhail, equal, 592; Starles B. Nickson, McPhail, equal, 591; Star K. Millard, 571; Margaret McPhail, docks for the 568; Frank C. Davidson, 563; Harold H. her arrival.

Thicke, 561; Cedric Wilson, 557; Wm. H. Paddon, 554; Richard P. Baker, 551. Wainwright, 625; Lindsay W. Perkins, 592; Harold Betts, 559. Lillian Palmer, 617; Sydney Sykes, 600; Ethel rearson, 593; Paul Letvinooff,

Roberts-Number of candidates, 14; passed, 8. Eileen Des Brisay, 674; Winifred Calvert, 646; Claire Rudolf, 640; Robert Harlowe, 623; Rudolf Drysdale, 610; Janet Drysdale, 606; MacKenzie Bowell, 566; Etta New-

man. 563. Strathcona-Number of candidates, 19; passed, 17. Gordon Lindsay, 724; Robert Maxwell, 652; Henry G. Uallen, 645; Edua H. Hauge, 634; Arthur Rowley, 619; Ernest A. Odlum, 614; John F. Miller, 609; Fred O. Duclos, 608; Katie Keepings, 602; Bertha L. Burnett, 601; Addie E. O'Dwyer, 592; Beatrice C. McKay, 573; Howard, Wilks, 562 Frances Mary McGuigan, 558; Alma G. McGirr and Ellen M. McPhalen, equal 552; Hattie Uchida, 551:

Rural Schools. Barnet-Number of candidates, 1;

Ferndale-Number of candidates, 1; passed. 0. Gulfside-Number of candidates, 1 passed. 0.

Vancouver, East-Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Rita M. Smith, Vancouver, South-Number of candi-

Nakusp—Number of candidates, 2; L. Hamilton, 561.

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Private Study—Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2. Clifton A. Skaling, 590; Royal L. Maitland, 571. Vernon Centre.

Total number candidates, 10; passed, Boys Central—Number of candidates, 7; passed, 6. Geoffrey K. Burnett, 672; passed, 2. Gerald F. Latimer, 603; Ida

M. Pound, 594.
Rural Schools. Commonage—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0. Mara-Number of candidates 1:

assed, 1. Mildred E. Ruttan, 571. Okanagan Landing-Number of candidates, 4; passed, 1. Daisy Finlayson,

Private Study-Number of candidates, Private 2... 1; passed, 0. Victoria Centre. Total number candidates, 70; passed,

Boys' Central-Number of candidates, 15; passed, 11. Clyde H. A. Rogers, 680; Arthur G. Mallery, 664; Howard W. Chambers, 665; Charles Macintosh 1; passed, 0. Claumer of candidates, 1; Cloverdale—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Donald Huggard, 669.

Ladner—Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2. Percy Miller, 618; Maude

Kirkland, 614.

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passed, 2. Percy Miller, 618; Maude Kirkland, 614.

Mount Lehman—Number of candidates, Mount Lehman—Number of candidates, 16; passed, 0.

Prairie—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0.

Port Moody—Number of candidates, 1; Weltha Alexander 615; Mary I Wil-Weltha Alexander, 615; Mary I. Williams, 611; Edith A. John, 598; Charlotte Clayton, 591; Gladys M. Royds,

North Ward-Number of candidates, 12; passed, 9. Walter E. Blackett, 694; Louis Beckwith, 659; Susette W. Black-wood and Gladys E. Hewlings, equal, wood and Gladys E. Hewlings, equal, 630; Victor A. Levy, 624; Annie M. Rudd, 611; May F. Croot, 602; Jennie M. Duncan, 565; Victor W. Auld, 555. South Park—Number of candidates, 10; passed, 4. James T. Fullerton, 664. Helen Jeffrey, 610; Chester F. Boyd, 604; Allan L. Greig, 554.
Victoria West—Number of candidates, 6; passed, 2. John F. Tait, 656; Olive

passed, 2. John F. Tait, 656; Olive Rural and Private Schools. Craigflower-Number of candidates, 1;

Esquimalt-Number of candidates, 3; passed, 0.
Goldstream—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0.
Gordon Head-Number of candidates,

1; passed, 1. Evelyn Vantreight, 606. Ladysmith—Number of candidates, 2; passed. 1. Isabella Christie, 560. Private Schools. Queen's Academy-Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0.
St. Louis College—Number of candi-

dates. 1: passed, 0.

CAST ANCHOR IN THE STRAITS YESTERDAY

Was Visited by Number of Victorians -Largest Vessel That Ever

Entered the Roads. (From Friday's Daily.) The monster liner Minnesota, the larg-

est freighter in the world, the ship built

by the Great Northern Railway Company for the trans-Pacific service, arliams Head, last evening. Arrangement had been made by the local agent of the company, K. J. Burns, for prominen Hosang, 585; Ewen W. MacLean, 584; visit her as she lay at anchor off this Mary G. Smith, Henry G. J. Woods and port, but owing to the storm last night it was deemed inadvisable to make the trip. This morning, however, the Dawson—Number of candidates, 34; passed, 22. Florence F. Malcolm, 666; for the purpose, made a trip to the huge steamer Otter, which had been secured Robert Frith, 632; Elizabeth Preston, steamer, carrying quite a number of Vic-624; Dorothy Marsden and Francis torians who were anxious to inspect what must be regarded as the nearest approach tecture that has ever been seen on this

> The Otter was quite busy during the day in conveying to the ship the Chinese crew who had been detained at the outer docks for the past fortnight or so, waiting

J. D. Farrell, of the Great Northern railway, arrived by the steamer Princess Fairivew—Number of candidates, 4; Beatrice yesterday afternoon to meet the passed, 4. Mona Mude, 651; Victor C. liner. He was accompanied by Barney Baron and H. B. Wadsworth, mining men of Spokane; Stephen L. Coles, of Mount Pleasant—Number of candidates, 7; passed, 6. Belle Harbert, 650; L. W. Macdowell, marine editor of the Seattle Times, and C. L. Hunt, marine editor of the Seattle Star.

The Minnesota was a big surprise to those people who have been expecting to see in her only a mammoth freight carrier. She is a great warehouse, true enough, so far as capacity for freight is the vitiated air. concerned, having a gross 20,718; but an inspection of the steamer reveals the fact that, as a passenger ship, the Minnesota is equal to anything that now sails in the Pacific between the Coast and China, In finish, generous But she is not slow, her trial trip from Philadelphia to Norfolk on September 12th having shown a speed of 17.25

tons dead weight of freight and much more than that in measurement. Vastness is a characteristic of the steamer from end go end. Even the one huge smokestack is remarkable, for it is nine-teen feet in diameter lengthwise of the coking is all done away down be rest in diameter lengthwise of the

Electricity plays a great part in the handling of the vessel. She is steered by electricity, her side and mast lights are electric, the whistles are operated by this agent, elevators and coal conveyers are operated by electricity, and in the spacious galley even broilers and hot-cake pans are run by the magic fluid that Ben Franklin coaxed from the clouds. Electric instead of steam heaters are in the staterooms. Twenty-two miles of wire are used in the intricate telephone system on the steamer, with phones in every room, all in touch with a central station. There are on board ninety-nine dynamos and motors, and the room containing them looks like the powr-house of a big manufacturing plant ashore. A Clayton fumigating and disin-fecting plant provides protection in all parts of the vessel against fire, foul air

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are furnished most comfortably, and every convenience is provided to make until her departure. finished in mahogany, with a seating capacity for two hundred passengers, is at the forward end of the deck-house, and in the daytime is lighted by large ever moulded. Each link weighs 98 ports on three sides. A most complete pounds.



VIEW OF EDMONTON FROM STRATHCONA.

Above the dining saloon the library on one side and ladies' boudoir on the other, form specially attractive places, for the passengers in inclement weather. Practically all the state-rooms have outside windows, and many of them are arranged en suite with bath rooms attach-

In length the Minnesota measures 630 while for the Chinese an opium den is shown to a number of shipping men the other shore of our great Dominion, and In length the Minnesota measures 630 placed at the stern. She capries an impact of shipping men placed at the stern. She capries an impact of shipping men placed at the stern. She capries an impact of shipping men of Saturday and created the greatest intense refrigerating plant capable of cooling to press keel and 65 feet above the water. Bearing a single for the capries an impact of shipping men of Saturday and created the greatest intense refrigerating plant capable of cooling to press in the other shore of our great Dominion, are laden with messages of good-will. "The outlook for the province has no been brighter than on the eve of the cooling to press in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest intense of shipping men of Saturday and created the greatest intense refrigerating plant capable of cooling to press in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest intense refrigerating plant capable of cooling to press in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest intense refrigerating plant capable of cooling to press in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the other shore of our great Dominion, and the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday and created the greatest in the country of Saturday an keel and to feet above the water. Be ginning at the bottom, her decks are the lower orlop, orlop, 'tween deck, main, upper, bridge and boat-decks. There are eighteen hatches and seventy-two cargoing Company, of New York City: Four large evaporators for changing salt water booms, one of these having a capacity to fresh are leasted in the state of the seventy-time. In the fresh are leasted in the ship's provisions, but the could not be learned to what vessel the buoy belonged, but the discovery is one that should undoubtedly be investigated by the authorities. Possibly the mating a waight of forty-five tons. In for hifting a weight of forty-five tons. In the hold the Minnesota can carry 22,740 furnishing abundance of fresh water will lead to a rigid inspection of the equip-

teen feet in diameter lengthwise of the ship, sixteen feet in diameter from side to side, and towers at least fifty feet passengers. The prepared food is carried by noiseless elevators, or dumb waitsaloon, where undumb servitors will distribute it in orthodox style three times a day. For the benefit of eccentric or bnormal appetites a buffet is maintained in another part of the ship, where anywill be served day or night. said

thing from a full meal to a sandwich Capt. John J. Truebridge, formerly of the steamer Victoria, running between Puget Sound and Asia, commands the Minnesota. The other principal officers are: Chief officer, J. F. Blaine; first officer, W. S. P. Keyes; second officer, P. C. Grening: third officer. John Duffy: chief engineer, George Allan; chief stew-ard, Frank Weber. The Minnesota left Norfolk with 15:000 tons of scoal on board, and burned 5,550 tons on the way around the Horn. She did not risk the passage through Magellan Straits.

Shortly after Jim Hills' big \$2,000,000 on the Pacific, and the burden of fifteen miles of freight cars can be stowed in the Royal Roads on Thursday night she lost a 17,000-pound anchor and about She is said to have cost more than \$0 fathoms of chain. The incident hap-\$2,000,000, and she looks like the price. pened this way: The ship came in When carrying 23,800 tons dead weight around the Race when the wind was the Minnesota draws thirty-eight feet of blowing its greatest velocity. Phot Cox water. She has accommodations for 250 was at hand to meet the steamer off quarantine, and there appeared some passengers and 1,424 steerage or 1,224 doubt as to where she was to be taken. Plans were agranged for her first to go The ship has a double bottom practi-cally the entire length; that is, there is point as convenient as possible to the water-tight steel deck laid six feet outer wharf. The fierce wind spoiled all from the bottom extending from stem to these arrangements and it became a stern and from side to side. Thus if the question whether the ship should enter onter shell of plating should be punctur- Esquimalt or remain in the Roads. Caponter shell of plating should be punctured by the vessel going on a reef, the water could not pass the inner bottom. Also there are numerous steel bulkheads extending from the bottom up to the main deck the entire width of the ship, and one extending from stem to sterm to along the centre of the ship, which sub- anchor was cast without counting suffidivide the hull into almost innumerable ciently on the tremendous pressure separate water-tight compartments. She which the wind would have against the has five steel decks above the inner bot-tom. As a re-sult the anchor chain soon parted and modations in a large deck-house amidships, and the salsons and state-rooms more anchors were immediately lowered the steamer would have drifted but for and the vessel thereafter remained safe

the fifteen-day trip across the Pacific a pleasant one. The large dining saloon, the water of the straits in the Roads.

AN AWFUL DISCOVERY.

iron Found in a Life Preserver Taken to a Tradesman for Repair.

morning by a local tradesman when en-gaged in repairing a life preserver, one those Eastern provinces from which so She arrived from the Sound, where she that had been in service on a local steam- many of our citizens have come. allotment of space and modern conveniences for the first class passenger; in the manifold uses of electricity in all her departments and in her great size, this latest comer to the Pacific coast is an object lesson in shapbuilding. In every-like a cafe in which refreshments are fo be object lesson in shapbuilding. In every-like a cafe in which refreshments are for the preserver had been in service on a local steament that had been in service on a local steament of the preserver had been or that had been in service on a local steament of the preserver had been or the exterior of the preserver had been or the pre pretty well worn out, and the tradesman physical obstacles are no longer barriers to Bremerton. The Paul Jones is a vessel object lesson in standbuilding. In everyserved at all hours. An airy nursery or
thing except speed the big Minnesota applay room is provided for children on the presumably for the purpose of incheasing Large and well-equipped toilet and wash rooms are provided for the steerage, also separate galley and pantry:

"Habited on the ever verdant coast of the weight to the standard required by law.
Not a piece of cork, it is said, was found blans are at this festive season with kindred and friends whose homes extend to

GREETINGS TO THE PEOPLE,

McBride Sends Messages to the Toronto Globe.

In response to the invitation of the Toconto Globe, sent to the various provincial premiers, Hon, R. McBride Friday evening wired the following to the great | pital on Wednesday, and the patient is Canadian daily:

"My thanks to the Globe for the oppor-British Columbia to extend on behalf of its United States Torpedo Boat Destroyer people Christmas greetings to the press of Canada and to kinsmen beyond the mounand prosperity which abound among them

on opening it found the contents to con- fraternal and commercial intercourse,

"Habited on the ever verdant coast of

"The outlook for the province has never Christmas. Imbued with a firm faith that their claims on the Dominion, the justice of which can only properly be appreciated by those familiar with our peculiar physiman, did not render the assistance that cal conditions-the sole impediment to was expected of him, but on the contrary complete provincial development—will be duly recognized, our people have an ardent ships of Jones's squadron. hope that their many natural sources of wealth and boundless opportunities are destined to an early and full fruition. Canadians all, Britons all, they have a strong and abiding faith that the ascendant star of united Canada, whose splendid future is now assured, will move brighter and ever brighter in the galaxy of Empire.

-Mr. Justice Irving, of the Supreme court of British Columbia, has underTHE PAUL JONES.

destroyer Paul Jones entered Esquimalt

belongs to Uncle Sam's North Pacific of the usual four-funnelled type. It bears a historic name, the name of a courageous fighter, whatever else might be said of him. Paul Jones (original name, John Paul.) was a Scotsman who career in the service of France and the United States government, being particularly active during the war between Great Britain and her American colonies. His principal achievement was the capture of the British warships Serapis and borough Head. Jones was on the Bon the Alliance and Pallas. It 'is alleged

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ver, on Dec. 23rd, Mrs. aged 36 years. Mount Sicker, on Dec. 7. after a few days' Ill-onteith Musgrave, beloved above mentioned district.

and a comparatively mild climate con- exploitation of this property which was cent. in molybdenum, preclude the

Mining Exchange for the following age value for all the ledges combined which work has been done for the past article and accompanying cuts on the being \$90 per ton in silver and copper, two seasons but with what result is not known. They have done a large amount with a little gold.

During the past year this district has attracted some little attention, on account of its possibilities as a mineral-producing country.

Situated as it is at the head of Portland Canal, a magnificent waterway, sixty miles in length, affording cheap communication with the outside world, timber and water power in abundance, and a comparatively mild climate containing a very large showing of high grade ore on the American Girl. The ledge is thirty feet in width and can be traced for several hundred feet; the showings on the other ledges are equally good.

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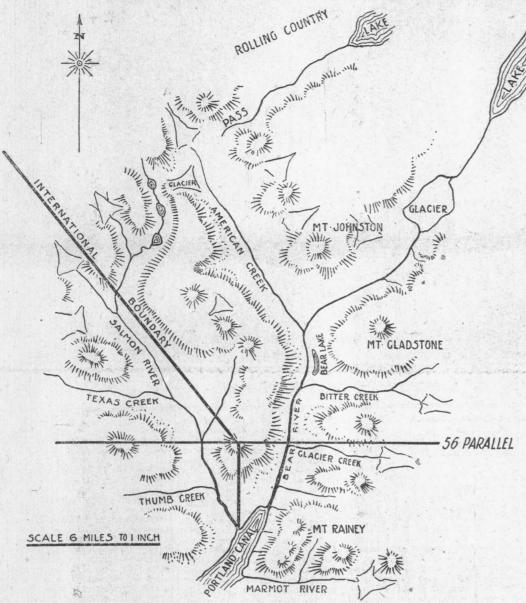
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The Times is indebted to the B. C., carry values from \$10 to \$200, the aver- number of locations in the district on of work in constructing new trails. They During the past year this district has There is a very large showing of high have also strung a cable and travelling



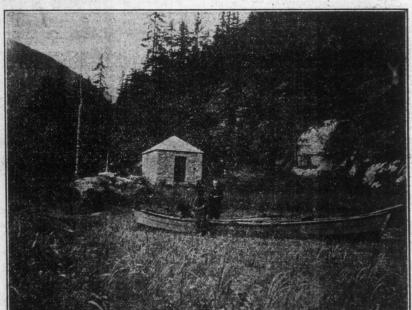
SKETCH MAP OF BEAR RIVER, PORTLAND CANAL.

the Naas by way of Bear river; but the most promising; on this claim there the difficulties attendant on the journey proved too great, and abandoned by two feet of nearly solid galena; a canyon been taken from the claims, one picked

visited the district, but in that year a track winds along the mountain side. On Harris creek, a tributary of Salparty of argonauts, lured by a schemer with a tale of fabulous placers, made an aftempt to reach the head waters of made; among them the May Bee looks

On Harris creek, a tributary of Salmon river, Messrs. Harris and Raerick of Ketchikan, located six claims last August. The ledges are large and well

sidering its geographical position, it recently bonded to C. B. Bussell of Seat-will, with the development of its min-eral resources, undoubtedly become an The property is eighteen miles from tunnel is being run—prove to be of any will, with the development of its mineral resources, undoubtedly become an important factor in the future wealth deep water and a good trail has been extent, the installation of an electrical



MOUTH OF SALMON RIVER, PORTLAND CANAL

Three of the party decided to remain

group of four claims on American creek; assays \$28 per ton in gold and copper. there are four ledges on the group, which The M. K. Rodgers Company have a extent, and according to Le Roy Dana,

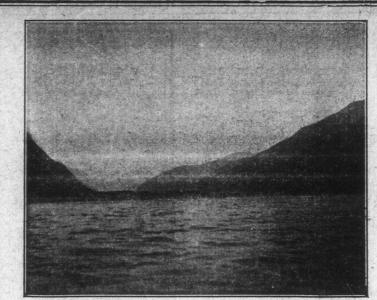
their leader, the party broke up and re- cuts the ledge in two at right angles ex- sample giving over \$1,000 in silver. posing the vein for a perpendicular depth of two hundred feet; the ore is three extensions on the above claims, the Three of the party decided to remain and try their fortunes in the country; these three, F. P. Stewart, D. J. Rainey and H. W. Brightwell, have all acquired properties, which in view of the outlook for the district, should eventually make them wealthy men.

Three of the party decided to remain depth of two hundred feet; the ore is strike of the ledges being in line with that of the American Girl on the other side of the mountain; there is a probability that the ledges are continuous, but owing to the ice cap on the mountain the pioneer location of the district, a spirity foot tunnel have been run on the

In the summer of '92 Stewart and six'y-foot tunnel has been run on the Brightwell located the American Girl vein, which is twenty-five feet wide and trict offers many inducements. The



O MOTINT JOHNSTON IN DISTANCE ON TRAIL TO AMERICA CREEK.



HEAD OF PORTLAND CANAL, LOOKING UP BEAR RIVER

characteristics of a great mining coun- geese. try; this opinion which was given on in-

The similarity of the ores of the Unak camp and the trend of the miner-alized zone being the same—northwest has already been erected; it stands in a alized zone being the same—northwest and southeast—there is a strong probability that the zone is continuous from one camp to the other, a distance of about forty miles.

How far south the zone continues it is impossible to say, but mining locations have been made at different points on Portland Canal and Observatory Inlet as far south as Maple Bay, where the Port-land Consolidated have twenty-eight claims. This is a copper-gold property. The ledges are well defined and the average value of the ore is \$37.

In the spring of this year, H. W. Brightwell crossed the divide at the head of American creek, and following a river that flowed to the northeast, discovered a large lake, which he estimated to be about thirty miles long; north of the lake, the country is covered with low rolling hills, through which he belived a pass could be easily found to the Unak. He considered that the property was o

mining expert who visited the district plentiful and in the spring the marshes three years ago, it presents all the are the homes of myriads of ducks and

The location line of the boundary be specting the Roosevelt group, then the only mining location in the district, is now being amply borne out by the later distance the mineralized zone, and new discoveries in the track of the surveyors may be expected. The bronze obelisk prominent position, at the mouth of Salmon river.

STEVE JONES RETURNS.

Proposes to Erect Building at Vancouver Early Next Year.

On Friday Steve Jones, proprietor of the Dominion hotel, returned from Vancouver, where he concluded the purhase of a lot on the corner of Homer and Hastings streets, as mentioned in the Times yesterday. The sum involved

Asked what his intentions were, Mr. Jones announced that a splendid building would be erected on the site mentione at an early date.

When pressed for details he explained that his plans were not yet fully matured.



ANOTHER VIEW OF BOUNDARY OBELISK, MOUTH OF SALMON William Munsie.

there the present route by way of the Unak river being long and difficult.

favorably with the other mining regions of the province. The summer as a rule is warm and sunny with ocea-sional showers of rain. Winter sets in about the end of October, but the snowfall is not great until December, when t falls to an average depth of four feet, and lies till march or April. On Bear river there is a good deal of

first-class agricultural land, lightly covered with alder and easily cleared. The soil is black loam and produces crops of good quality. D. J. Rainey has a comfortable ranch

at the mouth of Bear river, and raises all the ordinary garden vegeta'.'es sucessfully. No farming has been at being as yet no market for the produce, but with the increased activity in mining, it will play an important part ery is of the most rugged nature, the mountains towering precipitously to the neight of six thousand feet; their tops overed with eternal snow, and their val-

eaverns turbid streams rush furiously.

From time immemorial the Indians have made the district their hunting grounds; bear, both black and grizzly, are found in plenty; and mountain goats may be seen from time to time, ropping the herbage on their aerial!

If such is found to be the case, this, of the finest in the Terminal City. The would be the best route to the mines dimensions of the proposed building there the present route by way of the would be about 52x120 feet. Outside of this he was not prepared to make any definite announcement as to the character The climate of the district compares of the structure. He expected work avorably with the other mining re- would be commenced early next year.

CLOSING HALIFAX DOCKYARD. ores Will Be Sent to Gibraltar-Work-

men to Return to England. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.-Advices were received from the admiralty to-day to sell all furniture in the dockward, and also in the admiralty house and naval hospital. Stores of perishable nature are to be sent to Gibraltar and all workmen who came from England to be returned, with families, in transport to be sent.

Toronto, Out., Dec. 23 .- Mayor Urquart was renominated for the mayoralty chair to-day along with George Gooderham and W. D. McPherson.

THE BEST DOLLAR XMAS GIFT. and one that will be appreciated by all eys filled with glaciers, from whose blue Montreal. It costs but a dollar a year addition to these vessels there will be caverns turbid streams rush furiously. entitled "The Princess at Work." publishers of that great weekly are planning to give its readers bigger value Umbrina, belonging to Capt. Peppett. than ever during 1905. A dollar cannot be better spent. It is said the staff of clerks employed in the Family Herald office entering up names alone of new The rivers team with salmon at dif- subscribers is greater in number than the ferent seasons of the year, grouse are whole staff of any five papers in Canada.



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EIGHTEEN VESSELS TO BE SENT ON CRUISES

There Will be Four Independent Schoon ers-Profit Made, But No Dividend Declared.

The fourth annual meeting of the Victoria Sealers' Association was held Friday afternoon in the board of trade building when officers were elected for COLUMBIA. the ensuing year, and the old board of directors were reappointed. The position of presidency is held in rotation by the various heads of the company. Last year Richard Hall, M. P. P., was president. At yesterday's meeting the honor dent. At yesterday's meeting the honor was confered on R. Seabrook. D. Boscowitz was elected vice-president; Capt. J. G. Cox, treasurer; F. Elworthy, auditor; A Langley, secretary, and Capt. William Grant, manager. The new board of directors are Capt. J. G. Cox, Capt. William Grant, D. Boscowitz, R. Capt. William Grant, D. Boscowitz, R. Hall, R. Seabrook, A. J. Bechtel and

Probably the most important matter reached at yesterday's meeting in so far as the public is concerned was the decision arrived at to send out a fleet of 18 vessels this coming season. This fleet in we, the undersigned, being petitioners for the incorporation of the Districts of Vectoria, Lake and South Samtch into a Municipality, hereby give notice of our Intention, to apply to His Honor the Lieumann, which was lost during the season with the E. B. Marvin, which is on her way around the Horn, she having during the lest few years here worked on size is exactly the same as that operated during the past year. The only differduring the last few years been worked on the Falkland Island coast with headquarters at Halifax. These schooners will cruise on practically the same grounds as they were engaged on this year. A number of sealers will be sent down the coast according to custom to follow the seal herds in their migration northward. After replenishing supplies at some station on the West Coast of Vancouver Island they will cross to the Copper Island coast. These waters with the Behring Sea are the only sealing grounds to be exploited during the coming year, the Falkland Islands having been abandoned as previously reported. Several of the schooners which were there employed during the last season will be brought around the Horn with One of the very best Christmas gifts the E. B. Marvin, the Florence M. Munsie, which will be operated as a private during 1905 is a year's subscription to schooned, and the Enterprise also as an the Family, Herald and Weekly Star of independent craft being among them. In worked outside the Victoria Sealing The Company's business, the Rainbow be longing to Capt. Victor Jacobson, and the

The fleet to sail on spring cruises will be made ready for sea as soon as the that the beginning of the new year will see the departure of several for the coast. No dividend was declared at yesterday's meeting, although a profit on the usiness conducted during the year had been realized. This is because it was decided to carry what surplus there is over to the insurance account, which had sus tained a loss in the disappearance of the Triumph. It will be borne in mind in this connection that the company carries its own insurance, and a disaster to any of the fleet falls heavily on the operating

of \$16,000, and declared a dividend of 50 cents a share. Better prices were obtained for the seal fur this year, and had it not been for the loss of the Triumph the company might have done even better. It was shown that the for coast pelts and 77s. 6d. for Behring

No proposal was discussed to send any of the fleet to the Japanese coast, the probable effect of the war on the operations of schooners in Asiatic waters be

A farmer living near Marseilles has dis covered that by "watering" his melons with milk they will grow to twice their ordinary size. He carries off all the melon prizes at local agricultural shows.

the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A., Victoria

Land Registry Act.

Registrar-General Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

G. R. LAWRENCE:-

Please take notice that should you fail to meet your portion of expenditure for assessment work for year ending Sept. 11th, 1904, on mineral claims Cascade and Forest King, on head waters of Chemainus River, your interest in same will be forfeited in time and as provided for by statute. A. R. SHERK.

In the Matter of Anna Rebecca Sieh, Deceased, Intestate, and in the Matter of the Official Administrator's Act.

Victoria, B. C., December 6th, 1904.

Saanlch into a District Municipality (excepting only such portions thereof as form Indian Reservations), under the name of The Corporation of the District of Saanich.

ANDREW STRACHAN.

J. STUART YATES.

JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for leave to purchase forty (40) acres of land situate on Dease Lake, Cassiar District, opposite Porter's Landing, and about one (1) mile south of the outlet of the said Lake into Dease River: Commencing at the northwest corner two (2) chains west of this point, thence twenty (20) chains south, thence twenty (20) chains east, thence twenty (20) chains as well as the continuous corner.

WARBURTON PIKE.

Dease Lake, Cassiar, B.C., Oct. 2nd, 1904.

ner of Lands and Works for a missioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Fraction S. W. '4 Sec. 31, Fraction Sec. 32 and Fraction Sec. 33, Denman Island, Nanaimo District, containing in the aggregate 487 acres more

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land, more or less, commencing at the southeast corner of the Indian Reserve at Quat leo, thence south 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, and thence east to point of commencement. (Sgd.) THOS. JONES. Sept. 25th, 1904.

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