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nd Her Daughter Meet in Their Burning Home.

of Potassium Ends the Story of Portland Family.

Man Visits San Francisco and Commits Suicide.

OOK, Ore., Dec. 23.—Mrs. ... daughter, Ora, 17 years of age, were burned to death in a house caught fire from a candle.

Dec. 23.—The body of ... in this city was found in a down town hotel today.

Dec. 23.—This letter ... these words scrawled in pen-ink on the envelope.

TO MORPHIA RULES.

Minister Complains of Order bidding Importation.

Several Chinese superintendent ... trade is in receipt of a com- from the Waiwipuu.

NOT MOLEST CHILD.

Wife of R. F. Clancy in ... yesterday commanding the divorce case of Lillian vs. Robert F. Clancy.

his petition alleges that, in ... fact that the court order both parties from the months.

may dishes, pots or pans with Soap a powder. It will re- use with the greatest ease.

Another Day On the School

Principal of South Park School on Witness Stand Greater Part of Yesterday.

Closely Questioned by Counsel for Defending Parties—The Evidence Given.

(From Friday's Daily.) On resuming the hearing of the royal commission on Friday morning...

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A Critic on B. C. Affairs

Writer in Winnipeg Free Press Analyzes Conditions in This Province.

Expatriates on British Columbia's Claims and Cabinet Representation.

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Admiralty Relieves Commander of the Commonwealth and Punishes Officers.

Drastic Steps of Admiralty to Atlantic Fleet Officers Who Endangered Ships.

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CHOOSING A LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

It is rather a sorry sight for British Columbians to have so important an appointment as that of lieutenant-governor bartered for in the way it has been, by a number of scheming politicians. Fancy the rajahs of India holding a conference to determine who the imperial government should appoint as their viceroy, or a caucus being held in Ottawa to advise the secretary of the appointment. How does it fit in with the views of what is rather vulgarly described as the local "political push"?

The office of lieutenant-governor is one which requires certain special qualifications. These qualifications are not always those which a successful politician or even a statesman may possess. He is first of all essentially a social figure. That is to say, he is brought into contact with a great many persons in various walks and stations of life. While we do not necessarily attach any great importance to the standards set in certain cases, nevertheless in official life they must be respected, and so man can be said to be qualified for the position who cannot perform with ease and credit to himself the social duties incumbent upon him in that office.

There is also a certain dignity to be maintained, which, if not the possession of the occupant of the office, can neither be acquired nor simulated. That dignity is the natural-born grace of a gentleman. The true sense of the term "representative of the King" should have a few of the kingly attributes. He should be familiar with and have experience in statecraft, with a fairly good knowledge of constitutional law. Lieutenant-governors make and unmake governments at times, and his action in constitutional emergency is of the highest importance. In addition to other qualifications, he should have sound judgment, tact and diplomacy. He should have a mind, like that of the judge, capable of eliminating all bias and prejudice and acting wholly from impersonal and judicial motives.

If there is any use in the office at all it is in the possession of qualifications by the occupants, which, though they did not exist after careful survey of the northwest coast of America. When McClure, already referred to, had returned to England after his memorable and perilous passage through it, he was voted a large sum by the Imperial parliament, \$50,000 we think it was, as a grateful recognition of his services. But efforts did not stop there.

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The net result of these centuries of effort has not been greater in the direction sought. Though much was added to science and to our knowledge of geography, the indirect benefits mankind have been in the founding of new worlds, in creating new nations, in giving fresh impulses to mankind. The discovery of America seemed to stimulate anew the energies of the whole of Europe, to awake slumbering ambitions and arouse intellectual activity. It was followed by developments relatively as great as came in the nineteenth century as the result of modern trade and industry. What was striven for, when accomplished, turned out to be of but little importance in any way except as a contribution to knowledge. It took over four hundred years to accomplish what was done by the Northwest Passage was only made in 1878-9. The problem when solved offers no material advantages to the world, but who can measure the importance of the results that have flown from the quest.

ever, be the first to accomplish this, it successful. Nordenskjold did it in the Vega, without much difficulty. The most dangerous part of the voyage is that between Behring Sea and the Lena, but westward from that navigation is comparatively safe. Arrived in Norway, Amundsen will have been the first navigator to have encompassed the globe in an almost direct line. Let us hope that the brave man will succeed in the latter part of his memorable voyage.

Historically, the Northwest Passage is rooted in the very fibres of the North American continent as a civilized entity. Locally, even, the subject is of intense interest, because the Strait of Juan de Fuca, stretching away to the ocean from our very doors, was first entered by the old Greek pilot in his attempt to find a water route from the Pacific to the Atlantic, and he sailed a long way up it under the impression that he had at last solved the great and teasing problem of the day among navigators. Posterity has honored him by bestowing his adopted name on the strait. America owes practically everything it possesses in the way of settlement and development to the search for this shorter way from Europe to the Orient. Columbus stumbled across this continent when he thought he had reached the shores of the Flowery Kingdom, the far-off and marvelous Cathay. The pioneers and explorers of the Ottawa River expected not to reach the interior of North America, but were in hopes that it would lead the way to that other land. We have the familiar evidence in the name of the Lachine Rapids, from "La Chine."

The early Spanish explorers, who made their headquarters in ancient Mexico and used that country as a base of operations, scoured the coast far north in search of the fabled Strait of Anlan, without avail. It was only after a long period of years, and the most careful cruising that they gave up the quest as hopeless south of the latitude of San Francisco. The thing that tended to keep alive the tradition long after there was any real reason for hoping to find such a passage, were the pretended discoveries of such men as Maldonado, Admiral Fonte and Urdaneta, striking evidence of the persistence of error founded on fraud. Francis Drake, at the time of his memorable visit to the Pacific Coast, thought to return home by way of this passage, after ravaging the Spanish main and capturing rich galleons of treasure; but was forced to turn back and circumvent the Spaniards by circumventing the globe. Practically every navigator on the Pacific Coast from the time of Magellan in 1520 to Captain Vancouver in 1792, except those in trading ships for furs, came in search of this interoceanic strait, to make easy and direct the way from the Pacific to the Orient, where was the envied

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THE PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.

We have before us a most interesting pamphlet, under the above title, by Dr. John S. Billings, chairman of the Committee of Fifty, being Chapter II of "The Liquor Problem," and containing a summary of investigations conducted by the committee, 1893-1903. The Committee of Fifty referred to includes such men as Hon. Seth Low, Charles Dudley Warner, President Eliot of Harvard University, Professor Francis G. Peabody, Carroll D. Wright and other prominent, and serious-minded men of Massachusetts. It has already appeared and was reviewed some time ago. The predominant feature of the conclusions arrived at are their evident sane and common sense, inclining neither to one side or the other so far as the prohibition discussion is concerned, except as facts favor the respective contentions.

There are many kinds of alcoholic drinks in the world, but the characteristic ingredient of them all is ethyl alcohol. This is a white, colorless, distilled liquor; root beer and other similar beverages containing small quantities of alcohol, kumiss and other preparations made from milk by the fermentation of milk sugar, and a variety of "tonics," "nervine stimulants," "aids to digestion," etc., sold under the names of celery compounds, bitters, malt extracts and the like. These range in strength or per cent. of alcohol from 1 to 80. Some of these percentages are interesting to know: Wines 6 to 12, sherry 15 to 20, champagne 8 to 11, beer 1 to 7, hard cider 10 to 20, whiskey 25 to 48, rum 40 to 80, gin 20 to 40, chartreuse 32, absinthe 51, Boker's Stomach Bitters 35.6, Faine's Celery Compound 17, Ayer's Sarsaparilla 21.5, Hood's Sarsaparilla 15.8.

The physiological effects depend upon the condition of the body when drinks are taken. The stimulation which is produced by the alcohol is retarded in proportion to the quantities taken in the stomach, and the condition of health in which the body is. Alcohol is a food in small quantities, taking the place of starches, sugars and fats, and returning energy for energy. Alcohol in moderate quantities acts in the same way, so far as heat production is concerned, and may be substituted for starch or sugar to produce the same amount of energy; but it is not a perfect food and contributes nothing to the health of the body. It is rarely used for food, and is both costly and undesirable as such. Even moderate use just before or during the performance of manual work it diminishes the amount of work done. To some persons it even acts as a poison. That is or is not a poison, however, is very hard to define. There is no substance which is always and everywhere a poison. Tea, coffee, opium and many other things which are all poisons used in improper quantities and too frequently. It is certain that the continued and excessive use of alcohol leads to disease and to shorten life. The liver, the kidneys, the heart, the blood, the nervous system and the stomach are injured, although the effects are often ludicrously overdone. Many of the chronic diseases attributed to the use of alcoholic liquors are more often the cause of drunkenness than otherwise. This is particularly true of mental and nervous diseases. What the writer wishes to point out is that the effects of even excessive drinking on sound constitutions is as great as is imagined, but that, making due allowance for all other causes of disease, it often has serious results. The excessive use of absinthe, cordials and other particularly injurious to the nerves.

What Dr. Billings says as to the results of drinking is that it is not so much that it produces disease as it is that it is a predisposing cause of disease, especially infectious diseases, such as pneumonia, erysipelas, cholera, etc. It is also likely to be fatal in other circumstances.

The writer disposes of the contention that "good old liquors" are less harmful than cheaper drinks. Generally speaking, the more expensive are proportionate to the amount of ethyl alcohol consumed, except, of course, where there are poisonous adulterants. The effects of alcohol upon different persons differ greatly. A long series of experiments with animals showed that those young and small were the most susceptible. A rabbit fed for four years on alcohol showed no permanent ill effects, while the ultimate effects of moderate use upon man cannot be ascertained with much accuracy. The amount of alcohol which is taken regularly by the average adult without bad results is estimated to be a glass of wine or a pint of beer in twenty-four hours. The English standard as formulated by Anstie is one and a half ounces of pure alcohol, in whatever form it may be, and that only at lunch or dinner time. It does not follow that what is injurious in large doses is necessarily injurious in small doses. In that case a great many things would have to be removed from the bill of fare. Poisons are beneficially present in the system, and alcohol is produced in small quantities in the course of bacterial fermentations.

The author endeavors to steer clear of teachings in school that cannot be verified by facts, the result of which is often misleading, and we shall take pains to point out the errors in that score. His general conclusions on the physiological effect of the use of alcoholic stimulants are almost wholly in favor of what is practically total abstinence. They are as follows: While the regular moderate use of alcoholic drinks, taken only with food and in moderation, may produce a little or no effect on the health of the average adult, such moderate use by young persons often leads to excess, and in cases in which such use is beneficial are exceptional.

In general, the habitual use of alcohol is undesirable, and the prohibition of its sale is a step toward a marked diminution of such use in this country among educated people. In all occupations where keen senses, sharp attention or great concentration of the mind are called for, alcohol in any form is injurious when taken during the performance of duty. In hands of the kind who have mental labor to perform, and he upon whom great responsibilities devolve, is forced, if he would be at his best, to abstain from alcohol, not only at the proper season, but also to give no persistent increase of muscular power. It is well understood by the usual common-sense body of men engaged in physical labor that alcohol and effective work are incompatible. The formation of the drink, commencing with occasional and moderate habitual use almost always occurs before the age of 35, and there is very little danger of its occurrence after the age of 40.

A POLITICAL CHIEFTAIN. Mr. Robert Kelly of Vancouver in the "Tammany" leader there. Heretofore the Tammany party has been largely confined to the local field; but there are indications that he has been making a much wider swing in the affairs of state. Mr. Kelly is a very successful business man, and has been a politician, which he pursued as a recreation and solely for his health. If at any time business and politics worked together it has been the case of Mr. Kelly. Nevertheless Mr. Kelly likes to boss the Tammany party, and he has been the unofficial representative of the city of Vancouver in the Dominion Conservative government. The financial disadvantages under which the Tammany party has been placed by the Conservative government. Mr. Kelly is in Vancouver, as there is in Victoria, the king and the king-maker. Mr. Macpherson, because of his being the king-maker, has been consulted, but he is not the chief. The difference between the situation here and in Vancouver is that the latter place is a city, and the head of the clique man who gets what he wants every time; in Victoria it is usually a compromise among conflicting interests.

DISMISSAL WITHOUT INVESTIGATION.

Another licence inspector in Ontario having been dismissed, more trouble was heaped on Mr. Whitney's head. Mr. S. E. Graham, the Ontario indicator states in a letter, in which one of the speeches made is cited as evidence, that the proposed official taken an open and active part in the last election against the then opposition of the Ontario government. The News, which has taken very strong grounds against the Ontario government for its action in Toronto, replies by stating that such evidence as has been given by Mr. Graham is "ex parte," and avers that all dismissals should be made after a full and complete investigation before a commissioner, and in support of its position says: "When charges were laid against Conservative officials the Laurier government required an investigation before a commissioner. Why, then, were the prosecutors were forced to make their charges in the open, while the official was allowed to give his own version of the facts? This course should have been followed in South Ontario."

The Toronto Mail and Empire has been publishing the merits of the statement and finds that the story is very misleading, for while there were some complaints of enquiry, the majority of the departments, the great majority of dismissals took place without any investigation at all. Our readers who have heard of "good bye" and "spoil" system under the Whitney administration, will be surprised to know the result of the system as it was in Ontario. The Minister of Railways stated in parliament that he was opposed to a system of the kind being instituted, and that he would wield the axe upon the recommendations of members of parliament or defeated candidates friendly to the government.

brought down giving the names of officials who had been dismissed "without investigation" between July, 1894, when the Laurier government went in, and the middle of 1897, and the figures are these: Officers dismissed. 8 Indian department. 3 Interior department. 23 Public works. 7 Customs. 14 Inland revenue. 45 Fisheries. 39 Agriculture. 32 Other offices. 683 Total. 868 The figures in addition 222 dismissals in the railway branch in this period. Thus the number of officers dismissed by the Laurier government within a year and without enquiry was 921.

Now, the government, we are aware that in the case of the Liberal government, at Ottawa it was "purging" the departments of useless and part-time officials, but that in Toronto it is a wicked Tory conspiracy to make room for hungry office-seekers. Still, the responsible public will have their own views on the subject.

There have been some substantial contributions to science and discovery. Wireless telegraphy has made rapid progress; aerial navigation has been practically solved by a series of successful experiments; the first steam-turbine propelled by turbine engines, which promises to revolutionize the methods of marine transportation, has been built and put to sea. Captain Amundsen, whose feat was discussed editorially in yesterday's Colonist, succeeded for the first time in carrying a ship through the Northwest Passage.

The record of disasters, including storms, shipwrecks, earthquakes, conflagrations, etc., was not so gruesome as that of the previous year, but was nevertheless sufficiently serious to admit that the Dominion government has been guilty of the former offence. The admission, the evidence of the unswerving support of the administration through unjust and thin and good and evil report would be fatal to the admission. So we are forced to the latter conclusion.

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WANTED—TEACHER. WANTED—Teacher, at New Alberni, to commence next term. John Shirley, vice-principal of School Board, New Alberni, B. C.

Orphans Entertained.—A most able and well-represented party of the friends of the B. C. P. Orphans' Home in witnessing the nice programme was rendered to the children, interspersed with briefs from President Hayward, R. Campbell, Aid. J. T. Kelly, Dr. J. G. St. John, Santa Claus then a and after the presentation of gifts the managers tied up their money made glad by a liberal distribution of toys, candies and other gifts. The lady manager hospitably entertained the guests and the list of donors was long and honorable. The support and the gathering then amidst the racket of trumpets, morgan organs and whistles.

Nisbet-Willis.—The home of Mrs. Philip R. Nisbet, Catherine Nisbet-Willis, who is the mother of a very large family, for 3,500 their daughter Ellen Willis, one of the most popular of the city. The knot was the Rev. G. H. B. Adams, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and was with a number of friends of the family, who afterwards did justice to a splendid dinner. A brilliant ball of holly the bride looked charming in her robe of silk and velvet, and her hair was adorned with a wedding veil and orange blossom. The bride was Miss Jean M. Willis, daughter of Mr. E. Howard Russ. Miss Hattie Nicholas played the piano, and the bride and groom were accompanied by their father and mother. The bride and groom were accompanied by their father and mother. The bride and groom were accompanied by their father and mother.

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Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association's ANNUAL SHOW. JANUARY 10th. to 13th., 1906. Entries close on 5th of January. Largest prize list ever offered. Catalogues may be had from W. A. JAMESON, Sec.-Treas. 71 Fort Street.

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Local News.

From Friday's Daily... Repeated the Line... Mr. Gordon...

Three Marriages... At the First Presbyterian church... Mr. Gordon...

Wall-Farmer... A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dickerson...

North Saanich... The North Saanich school gave their annual supper and concert in Brown's hall on the night of the 19th...

Orphans Entertained... A most enjoyable time was spent yesterday afternoon by the friends of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home...

Nisbet-Willis... The home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Nisbet, Catherine street, Victoria, was on Wednesday evening the scene of a very enjoyable party...

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More Evidence Over Drawing

Celebrated South Park Case Is Continued Before Royal Commission.

A Number of Witnesses Who Favored Miss Cameron Were Examined.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The sitting of the Royal Commission on the drawing books of the pupils of the South Park school is still being continued. Yesterday two witnesses were examined and the cross-examination of Miss Cameron was continued, and at the hour of adjournment was still in progress.

On resuming yesterday morning, Mr. Elliott took the opportunity of asking permission from his honor to call Rev. A. Ewing and J. G. Brown to identify a number of drawings that had been done in their presence by the children for the purpose of comparison.

Mr. Elliott then called in answer to Mr. Eberts' witness that he had been present at the South Park school on December 6, 1904, in company with G. Brown, Miss Fraser and Miss Speers when a number of the pupils had done drawings which were presented as evidence.

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which she had for drawing was the teachers' certificate. At the teachers' examination at which she obtained her certificate drawing was an optional subject. But on the examination and received her certificate. During the four years which she taught at the High School she used the knowledge which she had obtained during her term at school and also what she had learned while studying for her teachers' certificate. She could not say whether she had a good education in drawing, but had taught the subject in the High School for four years, and since that time had supervised the drawing in the South Park school. In the South Park all the eight teachers had to teach drawing and she was called on to supervise their work in the same manner in which she supervised their other duties. All the experience which she had obtained was secured during her term at the South Park school and the High School.

In answer to Mr. Eberts' witness stated that she considered she was able to judge whether the drawing was good, bad or indifferent and was also able to explain the manner of the drawing. In reply to a question if she could explain the Blair system of drawing witness stated that it was very simple. During her time at school she was taught drawing by Joseph H. McLaughlin, an expert, and she was very good at it. She did not like the system which was used at the South Park school, but she never looked into the question, but from her experience she had found the Blair system to be the best. She was not aware that the Blair system was taught at the South Park school. She was not aware that the Blair system was taught at the South Park school. She was not aware that the Blair system was taught at the South Park school.

Mr. Eberts desired to have the opinion of the witness on a comparison of the Blair and the Blair system. Witness gave the following answer: "A witness called by you made a comparison of the two systems and stated that they were essentially the same. My opinion is that they are both the same in common, as they are both Blair systems, and the only difference is where they are similar."

On being asked to give a definition that an expert witness gave the following answer: "An expert witness is one who is called upon to give an opinion on a matter which is beyond the ordinary knowledge of the layman. In this case the witness is called upon to give an opinion on the Blair system of drawing, which is a matter of art and not of science."

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Winter Route To Dawson

Pathfinder Locates Trail Down the Centre of Frozen Yukon.

Freighting Begins From Forty-Mile Post to the Neighboring Creeks.

The Dawson correspondent of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer says: The new winter trail between Dawson and Forty-Mile has been defined and the route is now being opened. The route is a long list of similar heavy hauls were shown to have goods in the Dawson warehouse. The goods were assessed on the first assessment of the city assessor in the fall of 1905.

All the creek merchants protested on paying on goods which they buy on the coast or elsewhere outside, and all through Dawson on the creeks. They claim that the goods are not left here for fire protection or the like, but are merely stored here as a convenience until they can be forwarded to warehouses on the creeks.

Mr. Eberts asked witness if she remembered the circular of January, 1905, which was issued by the department of the Interior. Witness stated that she had received it, but she did not read it. She had only seen it in the newspaper.

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MURDERERS ESCAPE.

Many Steamers Coming With Cargo

Sugar From Peru and Nitrate From South America—The Liners Expected.

Several steamers with a cargo from various ports of the Pacific are expected at the ocean dock during the coming week, the first due being the white liner Empress of Japan, which has a large general cargo, including a more than usually large shipment of raw silk, fifty million yards, and over a hundred steamer.

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WINTER EXCURSIONS TO THE COAST

Steady Flow of Tourists From the Prairie Sections to Victoria.

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ADDRESS LE ROI SHAREHOLDERS

Chairman McMillan Tells Meeting of the Company's Affairs.

Following is a continuation of the chairman's address at the meeting of the Le Roi mine shareholders held on December 28:

Mr. Mackenzie adds that the books of the company show a net profit of \$200,000 for 1905, and he considers that this is a very good result. He also states that the company has a large amount of cash on hand, and that the mine is producing a large amount of gold.

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A Log Cabin correspondent, under date of December 23, writes on the Funtail trail which begins in earnest, as the trail is in good condition. The only open trail is about three miles of Golden Gate Atlin Lake. There are quite a number of trails, but they are all broken by the late season's delays.

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On resuming the hearing after lunch Miss Cameron took the stand and was cross-examined at length by Mr. Eberts. In reply to Mr. Eberts' witness stated that she was educated in British Columbia. She did not graduate from the high school, as there was no graduation ceremony. Her first teacher's certificate was obtained when she was 13 years of age and it was a third-class certificate. During her school term she obtained no certificate and no certificate from the school which included drawing. The only certificate







DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED WESTERN CANADA'S BIG STORE

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL JANUARY SALE COMMENCE ON TUESDAY

At no other time of the year do we lay ourselves out to dispose of stock in the manner that it is done DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY

WOMEN'S SHOES

\$5.00 SHOES FOR \$2.50

Women's vici kid blucher, patent tip, Cuban heel, pattern black. Regular \$5.00; January Sale Price \$2.50.

Ladies' Jackets

Every jacket in stock to be sold at reduced prices, and every one is new this season.

Children's Coats-Tweeds Mostly

20 coats at \$8.00; January Sale Price \$1.75.

MEN'S SHOES

All the \$5 Crossett Shoes for \$2.50

Men's Blucher velour calf, heavy single sole, Goodyear. Regular \$5.00; January Sale Price \$2.50.

Men's Patent Leather whole foxed.

Men's Patent Leather whole foxed, \$5.00 and \$4.00 grades in this lot; January Sale Price, \$2.50.

Men's Scotch waterproof boots.

Men's Scotch waterproof boots, Blucher cut. Regular \$6.00; January Sale Price \$3.90.

The Cloak Department

Every Costume in our Stock to be Offered in the January Sale at Reduculous Prices

All the model costumes (imported), Prices from \$45.00 to \$65.00 for \$25.00 each.

Ladies' Shirt Waists, Shirts, Etc.

We expect this department to be crowded as never before at a January sale.

Raincoats for Women

Colors - Fawns, Greys, Browns and Greens. Prices as follows: 1 at \$7.50; January Sale Price \$4.00.

Children's Raincoats at Half Price

7 at \$5.00; January Sale Price \$2.50.

Silk Underskirts

26 to be selected from out stock value \$13.50 to \$25.00. January Sale Price \$10.00 each.

TRIMMINGS

400 yards dress trimmings, Sequin braid trimmings, etc. values 25c. to \$1.25.

LACES AND INSERTIONS

1,800 yards lace, eoru and net laces, guipure laces, silk laces, Chantilly laces and insertions in white, cream, eoru, pink, black, etc.

Children's Coats, Silk Waists, Flannelette Underwear, Children's Sailor Dresses and Corsets

Small children's winter jackets, 30 only, values \$1.75 to \$3.50. January Sale Price \$1.25.

60 SILK WAISTS FOR THE FIRST DAY'S SELLING

Waists in value from \$5.00 to \$7.50. January Sale Price \$2.50.

FLANNELETTE WEAR

72 Women's Night Dresses in fancy stripes. January Sale Price 35c. each.

Important Sale of all Japanese Rugs & Squares at nearly Half

Size 1/2 ft x 3 ft. January Sale Price 25c.

575 yards of Wool Carpet, usual value \$1.25, January Sale 50c a yard

Tapstry Squares from \$3.50, size 2'x3', to \$13.50 size 3'x4'.

Annual Sale of 1000 Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats at \$6.75, values \$10 to \$20

At no time of the year do we give such values. Men who attended this sale a year ago will thoroughly understand this.

Furnishing Department

65c, 75c and 85c Shirts-January Sale Price 35c

Women's Neckwear

ODD LINES TO CLEAR OUT AT 25c 50c

Embroideries

TEN THOUSAND YARDS TO BE OFFERED IN THE JANUARY SALE.

Millinery Department

As usual we clear out everything in this department at our January Sale.

Handkerchiefs

50 dozen Plain White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, narrow hem. Regular 50c.

For a more complete list see sale catalogue

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Disgraced President of York Life Resigns the Position.

Appreciates His Own More Than His Creditors Could.

Successor a Retired Merchant and Philanthropist of New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—John McCall today resigned the presidency of the New York Life Insurance Company and Al E. Orr was appointed in his place at the salary of \$50,000 a year.

The board of trustees also cut the number of directors from 12 to 10 so that hereafter there will be two directors in each of three classes.

Mr. McCall has for 14 years held the office of president, and during that time he resigned twice, sent a letter to the directors in which he stated that he was resigning because he was not satisfied with the company's management.

It is uncertain whether Mr. Orr will retain the presidency beyond April when Mr. McCall's term would expire.

The new president is a retired merchant of this city, president of the transit commission, a former president of the chamber of commerce and for many financial and philanthropic institutions. He was born in New York City in 1831.

President Orr said that the fact that the president's salary had been reduced to \$50,000 was a matter of course and that no officer or trustee had been improperly elected to the position.

ELOPED WITH AN AGED MARRIAGE

Rome, Jan. 4.—A great sensation has been caused by the elopement of a young girl, with Count Giannini, a former president of the chamber of commerce, who is 48 years old.

A CAD REBUKED.

Brigadier-General Grant Fittington, a most unseemly incident in New York, Jan. 3.—For request under officer to change his seat in the theatre, first Lieutenant Taylor of the 68th Infantry was rebuked in rank twelve hours.

He was tried by court martial, and the verdict was announced. The offense was committed in New York, Conn., a sergeant of Taylor's company, who in uniform, vacated a seat at the theatre.

It is to be hoped," stated the brigadier, "that the sentence of the court will leave no doubt in the mind of one that uniform and the mark of honor which must be in the United States."

PRETTY COUNTRY WEDDING

Marriage at South Saanich of Downey and Marion Campbell. A very pretty country wedding field at St. Stephen church, South Saanich, last Wednesday afternoon.

The church was crowded both being very popular. After the wedding a very sumptuous repast was given at the Prairie hotel, after which the happy couple, amidst showers of old boots left for Victoria.

The church was beautifully decorated by the young ladies of the district, who looked charming in a cream cashmere lace and orange sashes, carrying a bridal bouquet.

The bride was wearing a costume of pale blue velvet trimmed with lace, silver and gold ornaments, and a crown of white flowers.

The bridegroom was wearing a suit of dark blue cloth, a white shirt and a white tie.