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ADVISES PROMPT ACTION. B. Arlesworth Urges Confederation Newfoundland, Labrador and Green-land With Canada.

(Associated Press.)

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, Dec. 18.—A. H. Aylesworth, K. one of Canada's Ainkan boundar sommistoners, speaking at the Literary Seigly of McMustere University banquet las night, strongly may be a strongly and the confederation of the Canada. He said the history of the confederation of the Canada boundary should be a warning to Canada to remove the possibilities of simple of the confederation on the eastern coast by in

question, on the ground that an incorrect statement of the previous answer was put forward.

A sharp retort followed from Mr. Duff, which was returned by Mr. Davis. His Lordship interceded, and reminded Mr. Duff that he did not recollect the witness having said that this was currently reported.

Mr. Duff and Sir Charles H. Tupper pressed for a reference to the notes on this subject.

A reference being made it was found that the witness had said it was currently reported. Capt. Freeman said he would abide by the statement.

Rev. Mr. Shaw, rector of the Church of Advent in San Francisco, was the next witness. He met Alexander Dunsmuir, having been asked to perform the marriage ceremony between Mr. Dunsmuir and Mrs. Wallace. He had a conversation with Alexander Dunsmuir in the presence of James Dunsmuir and others. He had heard that Alexander Dunsmuir was a drinking man and addicted to sprees. He wished to see him as he would have refused to nerform the marriage if he were drunk. He therefore arranged to meet him, and was satisfied. Alexander Dunsmuir talked clearly and was rather bashful. There was no question in his mind that he understood the erremony and the surroundings. He never saw a man go through the marriage ceremony in a clearer manner than did Alexander Dunsmuir. Wishing to compare it with about a hundred similar everemonies the witness had performed, he was checked in his answer, His Lordshin agrocing it was not in order.

Mrs. Wallace seemed to be in good health also at the time of the wedding. This Morning's Proceedings.

Upon court resuming this morning at 10.30.

was not a gibbering idlot.

Pressed for the reasons for using "gibdering idlot," witness did not know why
he used it. He conversed about five
minutes with Mr. Dunsmuir. The eight
minutes he occupied were sufficient for
him to form an opinion as to his mental
condition for his purposes. He did not
test him as to whether or not he was a
man of strong will. He thought he was
a man of strong will. Witness could
not reply yes or no te the question as to
his coming to a conclusion with regard
to Alexander Dunsmuir having a strong
will, independent of the conversations he
had with him.

STILL HOPEFUL. Optimistic Feeling in Russian Official Cir-cles Regarding Outcome of Negotia-tions With Japan.

(Associated Press.)

DEWET'S THANKS

For Contributions Sent to Ald Boers in Neighborhood of Kopje's Siding.

"NONSENSE".

Is Term Applied to Sensational Report Regarding Emperor William's Sister.

FLORA'S CAPTAIN

AT COURT-MARTIAL HELD ON THE GRAFTON

Evidence of Navigating Officer Lieut Grant - Several Other Witnesses Also Examined.

regulations.

This concluded the case for the prosecution. The defence asked for an adjournment to 10.30 this morning. Capt. Baker stating that the case had given them a great deal of flought, and they wanted an extra hour to review the nights work in the morning.

Commodore Goodrich was somewhat

Case For Defence.

When the court opened this morning Capt, Baker and Navigating Officer Lieut. Grant made a statement of their case. Capt. Baker said:

"I do not suppose that there is any position for an officer of any rank and standing in His Majestake navy which is so trying, and I may say humiliating, as being put upon trial for neglect of his duties after an unbroken career. I feel most keenly that only professional ability should now be under trial. I have commanded eight other ships, and in no case has my ability to do so in all circumstances even been called in question. I peed hardly mention the extreme anxiety that I have gone through after the ship grounded, not only for the affecty of my ship's company, but for the ship herself, and it is a matter of great satisfaction and grantification to know flast the vessel is mow in dry dock and that not a single man has been injured."

Lieut, Grant, one of the officers on

is now in dry dock and that not a single man has been injured."

Lieut. Grant, one of the efficers on trial, was the first witness for the defence. He was a navigator on H. M. S. Flora at the time of the accident.

In answer to questions put by Capt. Baker, witness said taking the Village Point beacon for the beacon on Base flats he startboarded 15 degrees to get in the middle of the channel and shape his course to clear, Ship peninsula. When Village Point beacon was sighted, witness thought that he had passed there. Knowing as he did that the ship was going ten knots since 7.45 and that eight tells had been struck, witness concluded that the ship had run the two miles between Union wharf and Village reef.

Lieut, Grant then described the ap-

volutions. In this computation no ni-wance was made for the slow head as e helm was hard over, and the ship ould take some time to get under ay. The brocon, according to this resoning, was sighted a few minures set 8. The reckoning was made from e time the ship was a cable off the set the Union wharf.

Witness was then asked what position

the spar buoy on Village Point was con-cerned it was no use to him. The chan-nel was a very deceptive one.
Signalman Nixon also festified that, the fog rolled down suddeuly. He was quife sure what kind of beacon he was looking for. He thought he sighted a pile beacon with apparently a cap on top. On seeing this he had no doubt about it.
The court then adjourned for lunch.

MAKING GOOD TIME.

It Is Believed Steamer J. T. Hutchin-son Will Succeed in Reaching Open Water.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 18.—The steamer J. T. Hutchinson, which left Sandwick yesterday on the last stage of its record-breaking trip through the fee from Lake Superior to Buffalo, had not been sighted at Point Pelee at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A message from Colchester, Ont. says that the Hutchinson and the fee crushers Plensure and Promise passed there at 9.30, and were then making about three miles an hour through the ice. The weather is soft and favorable, and it is thought that the steamer will

Former.

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—Trailed to their lodging piace and brought to bay within the walis of a small room, Jóseph-Cholsser, aged 25, and Louis Choisser, aged 25, father and son, hive been shot and killed in a battle with Detectives Hawiay, Murphy and Covan. The three officers escaped without injury. Both of the Choissers were killed instantly.

GUARANTEED BONDS GIVEN BY COMPANY

Legislation Necessary to Confirm Acciptarce, But Value of Securities is Unquestionable.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The Grand Trunk Railway Company has deposited £1,000,-c00 of their guaranteed bonds as security for the carrying out of the agreement-entered into last session between the government and the Grand Trunk Pa-

par, and their value is unquestionable. MUST PAY CLAIM.

bee Bank Will Receive \$65,817 From the Estate of A. D. Benjamin.

(Associated Press.)

The Final Appeal.

THE MANUFACTURERS

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(Associated Press.)

be supplied from British rather than foreign sources. WILL MEET MINISTER.

A. Morrison, M. P., and A. E. Woods Visit Ottawa on Railway Business.

(Special to the Times.) ottawn, Dec. 18.—Aulay Morrison, M. P., and A. E. Woods, manager of the Vancouver Western & Yukon railway, arrived in the city to-day. They are here on hos ness with the railway department and will have to wait until Monagy to mee. Hos. Mr. Fielding, who is now in the Muzitime Previnces, and who is expected to return on Saturday night.

IMPORTANT FIND

(Associated Press.)

(Special to the Times.)

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come out to Canada in the next 12 months, or, indeed, until this carried

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stances of money going begging, says a London dispatch. At a company meeting in the metropolis recently it was announced that 12 shareholders to whom dividends were due had disappeared and could not be found, although extensively advertised for.

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Work of Inquiring Into the Condition of British Trade to Commence in February.

London, Dec. 17.—It was announced to-day that the following have already accepted positions on Joseph Chamberlain's commission of experts which is to enquire into the condition of British trade and report thereon, with the ob-ject of drawing up a tariff reform measure: Charles Booth, of Liverpool. oresident of the Royal Statistical Sir Vincent Caillard, formerly Society; Sir Vincent Calilard, formerly financial representative of Great Britain, Holland and Belgium in Constantinople; Sir Arthur Keen, vice-president of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers; Sir Wm. T. Lewis, president of the South Wales Institute of Engineers; Alfred Moseley, who has been sent on two committees to the United States to inquire into trade and educational conditions in that country; Sir Andrew Noise, an ordnance-expert Hop. Chas. A. Parsons, proprietor of large electrical and engineering works; Sir Walter Pearce, agent general of Natal; C. A. Pearson, the well known newspaper, proprietors Sir Chas, Tenanat, chairman of the Union Bank of Scotland; Sir Alfred Jones, president of the Liverpeol Chamber of Commerce and president of the Liverpeol Shipowners.

A number of members of parliament thes accepted positions on the committee. They include the Right Honorable Henry Chapilu, former president of the board of agriculture, and Wun. Henry Grenfell, member of the Thames. Conservancy board; Sir Alexander Henderson, member of the Stock Exchange; Sir Alfred Hickman, member of the council of the Irea and Steel Institute. Other members of the committee are; Charles, hopewed Sir Henry Bessen; Richard Burbidge, director of department stores; J. J. Candlish, glass manufacturer; W. H. Mitchell, wood manufacturer; A. J. Waring, jup., furniture manufacturer; J. Howard Colls, a builder and contractor.

The secretary of the committee

Landon, etc.

Mr. Hewins will be assisted by a large staff of experts and statisticians.

In is intended that the committee shall 2nd of February. day, commencing about the

· NINETEEN TRUE BILLS

Returned by Omalia Grand Jury Sen ator and Ex-Senator Indicted,

ator and Ex-Senator Indicted.

Omaha, Dec. 17.—The United States grand jury to-day rendered a report to the court returning nineteen true bills. These include indictments against United States Senator Chas. Dietrich for alleged illegad leasing of a boulding to the government to be used as a post office. Former Adjutant-General Leonard W. Colley for alleged embezzlement: Daniel Girns, of Bassett, Neb., for alleged perjury to savearing fatsely to state cauties; Former State Senator Ellot Lowe, of conspiracy to bribe a United States Senator; Postmaster John S. Mitchell, of Alpia, Neb., charging him with illegal use of postal stamps; william M. Irwin, on charge of acting as agent for Mitchell and against R. A. Allan, president of Standard Cattle Company, for the alleged illegal fencing of government lands. The other indictments were similar to that against Allan, but do not involve extensive tracts of land. The jury reported it had further matters under consideration.

It is, reported that the wages of the employees of the Crucible Steel Company, will be reduced beginning with next month, and that a number of employees are slated for dismissisal.

The following candidates were nomina-ated on Thursday for the Dominion House of Commons: East Lambton, Lib-gral, Civiles Joshius, Petrolin: South Gray, Liberal, H. H. Miller, Hanores: West, Alzona, Conservative, A. C. Rayce, Scalt Sta, Marie, South Oxford, Conservative, Jas. Clendenniag, farmer,

PLUMBING QUESTION RECEIVES QUIETUS

Arrangements Made by the Members for the Christmas Festivities-Reports From Officers.

Last evening at the board of trade his the regular mosthly mageting of directors of the Provincial Royal flee hospital was held there being Judice hospital was held there being a large attendance. President Day occupied the chair, and those present were Messrs. Helmcken, Witson, Shotbolt, Forman, Lewis, Pemberfon, James, Humphrey, Twigg and Holland.

Proceedings were opened in the usual way, after which communications were dealt with

dealt with.

Mrs. P. M. Hasell, secretary of the Women's Auxiliary, informed the board of the intention of that society to hold their anual ball in aid of the hospital on the evening of Wednesday, December 20th, at Assembly hall, Fort street. The interest and support of the directors was requested, and they were extended a cordial invitation to attend. This was received and the invitation accepted with thanks.

thanks.

H. M. Grahame submitted a cheque of \$25, being the subscription from the estate of A. Van Lakeren for the current year towards the Provincial Jubilee hospital. Donations towards the hospital were received from F. W. P. \$28; and A. Walters, Salt Spring Island, \$5. These were acknowledged with thanks. The secretary next read the following communication:

Elworthy, Esq., Seey. Directors Jubilee Hospital, City:

Colon, Dec. 17.—The United States Cruiser Atlanta arrived here last night from the Grif of Darien.

Early in the morning of December 15th the Atlanta sighted a small schooner in the gulf, and followed her to the western shore, where the schooner attempted to hide behind an island. Lieut, Perrill, of the Atlanta, was ordered to board her, and thereupon a whaleboat was lowered. Through the courtesy of the naval officer the correspondent of the association Press accompanied the party on the whaleboat.

It was found that the schooner had on board a hundred armed Colombian soldiers commanded by General Rafael Novo, who said General Daniel Ortig, commander in-chief of the Colombian forces on the Atlantic and Pacific, had a large camp a mile away on the mainland.

General Novo requested Lieut Perrill Jubilee Hospital, City:
Dear Sir:—In the report of the proceedus of the regular meeting of the board of
frectors of the Jubilee hospital on the
7th inst., and published in the Colonist
a the following day, a communication
room the smaster plumbers, asking for equal
istribution of the plumbing work required
y the hospital, etc., was held by one of
he directors, Mr. A. Wilson, to have been
fathered by the Trades and Labor Counil and almed at hispital.
I am directed to state that the Trades
of Labor Council has had nothing Whatver to do with the communication referred
o above. Whenever the council considers
necessary to express an opinion on any

thing concerning to does so frankly and direct, through its secretary.

I am further directed to state that while the council emphatically denies having in any way inspired or prompted the said communication, it has no hesitation in endorsing the principle contained in the request made by the master plumbers as correct, and deserving the favorable consideration of the board of directors.

CHRISTIAN SIVERTZ,
Secretary,

y ris h	forces on the Atiantic and Pacific, had a large camp a mile away on the mainland. General Novo requested Lieut, Perrill to land and confer with General Ortiz. On the whaleboat's appearance there were repeated cries of "Viva Colombia," and there was a sudden concentration of about 150 Colombian soldiers on the	any way inspired or prompted the said communication, it has no hesitation in en- dorsing the principle contained in the re- quest made by the master plumbers as correct, and deserving the favorable con- sideration of the board of directors. CHRISTIAN SIVERTZ, Becretary. The appended statement was submit- ted showing the cost of plumbing at the
-	beach. General Ortiz appeared on the	Jubilee hospital for twelve months:
l.	beach when Lieut, Perrill went ashore. The general insisted that Lieut, Perrill should fly the Colombian flag at the bow	1902. Labor. Materials. November \$ 2 90 \$ 12 05 December 11 25 7 10
n, e;	of the whaleboat or lower the American flag at her stern because she was in Colombian waters. Lieut, Perrill replied	1963. January 12 20 12 85 February 3 50 6 95 March 11 50 20 15
ir	that he did not have a Colombian flag, and he refused to lower the Stars and Stripes. General Ortiz did not insist	April 5 55 17 45 May 1 00 4 35 June 3 00 4 40
n- re	upon his doing so, but he protested in writing against the presence of Ameri- cans in Colombian waters. Lieut. Per-	July
n s,	rill accepted the protest, and conveyed it to Commander Turner, who handed it to Rear-Admiral Coghlan on his arrival	8113 20 \$150 05
n- t-	the Colombian camp appeared to be	In view of the statements contained in this letter MrA. Wilson withdrew what

The Colombian camp appeared to be permanent, and was well provisioned, and probably destined to be used as a base of operations.

General Ortiz and others freely expressed the determination of Colombia to fight to the bitter end in case General Reyes's visit to Washington is not successful, and Panama is not returned to Colombia.

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return be forwarded the master plumbers.

Before the amendment was put Mr.
Wilson-moyed, in amendment to the amendment, "that the firm of A. & W.
Wilson be prohibited from doing any plumbling work in connection with the Jubilee hospital."

The latter, however, found no seconder, and Mr. Helmcken's amendment being put, carried by a large majority, Messra, 'Ewigg and James only voting against it.

Mayor McCandless wrote regarding the agreement between the polices com-

Mayor McCandless wrote regarding the agreement between the police commissioners and police directors with reference to the treatment of the police force. The agreement having been satisfactory to both parties concerned he asked that no time be lost in the issuance of certificates to members of the force. This being done the sum of \$000 would be placed to the credit of the hospital. Received and filed.

The finance committee's report was

ment at the hospital was discussed, the usual \$25 was granted the usual \$25 was granted the usual and other employees. Dr. Hasell sourced that the chair of the carbee fould render carols at the hospital Thristmas Day.

The meeting shorts.

able for placer mining; and does not mining claims already granted. A rental of \$150 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent, on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than \$5,000 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metals, quartz and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes. Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitobs, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected; an area of 640 acres, Shauld the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other hand as may be determined, will be solds to the discoverer at the rate of \$1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Sept., 1903.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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to-day that the following have already accepted positions on Joseph Chamber-hain's commission of experts which is to enquire into the condition of British measure: Charles Booth, of Liverpool, former president of the Royal Statistical sety; Sir Vincent Caillard, formerly medal representative of Great Britain, alland and Belgium in Constantinople; Arthur-Keen, vice-president of the afture of Mechanical Engineers; Sir m. T. Lewis; president of the South ites Institute of Engineers; Alfred issley, who has been sent on two composes to the United States to inquire a trade and educational conditions in a country; Sir Andrew Noble, an inance expert; Hon, Chas, A. Parsons, oprietor of lerge electrical and engining works; Sir Walter Pearce, agenticial of Nasal; C. A. Fearson, the Il known newspaper proprietor; Sir Sir Vincent Caillard, formerly

A number of members of parliament miss accepted positions on the committee. They include the Right Honorable Henry Chaplin, former president of, i.e board of agriculture, and Wm. Henry Grenfell, member of the Tisanes Conservancy board; Sir Alexander Henderson, member of the Stock Exchange; Sir Alfred Hickman, member of the council of the Iron and Steel Institute. Other members of the committee are: Charles Allen nephecy of Sir Henry Bessen; Richard Burbidge, director of department stores; J. J. Camilish, plass manufacturer; W. H. Mischell, wool manufacturer; A. J. Waring, jun, furniture manufacturer; J. Howard Colls, a builders and contractor.

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London school of economics and
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To was taken sick two years ago, writes Rev. W. H. Patterson, of White Could. Ala. with what the doctors thought was gastric trouble, indigestion or nervous dyspepsia also constipation and inactive fiver. I was in a drawing the country of the cou omaba. Dec. 17.—The United States grand into today rendered a report to the court returning nineteen true falls. Those include indictments against United States Senator Class. Dietrich for alleged illegal leasing of a fauliding to the government to be used as a post office; Fermer Adjustant-General Leonard W. Colley for alleged embezzlement. Daniel Girns, of Bassett, Neb., for alleged perjury in savearing falsely to state earties; Former State Senator, Elfort, Lowe, of conspiracy to bribe a United States Senator; Postmaster John S. Mitchell, of Alma, Neb., charging him with illegal use of postal stams; William M. Irwin, on charge of restrictions as agent for Mitchell and against R. A. Allan, president of Standard Cattle Company, for the alleged illegal fencing of government lands. The other indictments were similar to that against Allan, but do not invoice extensive tracts of land. The jury reported it had further matters under consideration.

It is reported that the wages of the employees of the Crucible Steel Company, Pittsburg, will be reduced beginning with next month, and that a number of employees are slated for dismissal.

The following candidates were nominated on Thursday for the Dominion House of Composes: East Lambton, Liberal, Cherles Jewiss, Petrolia: South Grey, Liberal, H. H. Miller, Hanover, West Algebra, Conservative, A. C. Rowce, East Ste, Marie, South Oviged, Conservative, Jas. Clendenning, farmer,

HOLDS ITS MEETING

RECEIVES QUIETUS

Arrangements Made by the Members for the Christmas Festivities-Reports From Officers.

Last evening at the board of trad arge attendance. President Day oc ied the chair, and those present wer-sers. Helmeken, Wilson, Shotbolt an, Lewis. Pemberton, James, phrey. Twigg and Holland.

ealt with.

Mrs. P. M. Hasell, secretary of the Vomen's Auxiliary, informed the board of the intention of that society to hold heir annual ball in aid of the hospital of the evening of Wednesday, December 70th, at Assembly hall, Fort street. The otterest and support of the directors was equested, and they were extended a cortial invitation to aftend. This was recived and the invitation accepted with hanks.

\$25. being the subscription from the estate of A. Van Lakeren for the curren year towards the Provincial Jubilee hos pital. Donations towards the hospita were received from F. W. P., \$28; and A. Walters, Salt Spring Island, \$5. These were acknowledged with thanks. The secretary next read the following communication:

principle contained in the by the master plumbers deserving the favorable the board of directors. CHRISTIAN SIVERTZ,

a large camp a mile away on the mainiand.

General Novo requested Licut, Perrill
to land and confer with General Ortz.
On the whaleboat's appearance there
were repeated cries of "Viva Colombia,
and there was a sudden concentration of
about 150 Colombian soldiers on the
beach. General Ortiz appeared on the
beach when Lieut, Perrill went ashore.
The general insisted that Lieut, Perrill
should fly the Colombian flag at the bow
of the whaleboat or lower the American
flag at her stern because sie was in
Colombian waters. Lieut, Perrill replied
that he did not have a Colombian dag,
and he refused to lower the Stars and
Stripes. General Ortiz did not insist
upon his doing so, but he protested in
writing against the presence of Americans in Colombian waters. Lieut, Perrill accepted the protest, and conveyed
it to Commander Turner, who handed it
to Rear-Admiral Coglian on his arrival
kere.

The Colombian camp appeared to be

In view of the statements contained in this letter Mr. A. Wilson withdrew what he said at the last meeting to the effect that the Trades and Labor Council was responsible. for the Master Plumbers' petition. He said that it now appeared that three of the hospital directors were behind the petition. He was sorry for anyone who could not speak out his mind in a manly way.

Mr. Twigg, speaking on this question, said that the company of A. & W. Wilson had done the work for about twelve years, and it was certainly time another firm was given a trial. If the work was not satisfactory it could be put in other

to Rear-Authoral Cognition of the Colombian camp appeared to be permanent, and was well provisioned, and probably destined to be used as a base of operations.

General Ortiz and others freely expressed the determination of Colombia to fight to the bitter end in case General Reyes's visit to Washington is not successful, and Panama is not returned to Colombia.

Mr. Wilson, after a few preliminary remarks, asked what the beneral run of workingmen did towards the assistance of the hospital. He, however, was perfectly willing that all work should be aken from his firm.

Mr. Twigg said that it was the principle of the thing with which he disagreed. He moved "that the work beciven to some other firm than that of A. k. W. Wilson for six mouths on trial." Flis was swoonded by Mr. James.

H. D. Helmeken moved in amendment as follows:

That the master plumbers be thanked

tem of a fair distribution of patronage amongst the trade, and that a copy of the return be forwarded the master plumbers."

Before the amendment was put Mr. Wilson moved, in amendment to the amendment, "that the firm of A. & W. Wilson be prohibited from doing any plumbing work in connection with the Jubike hospital."

The latter, however, found no seconder, and Mr. Helmekeu's amendment being put, carried by a large majority. Messrs. Twigg and James only, voting against it.

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Mayor McCandless wrote regarding the agreement between the police commissioners and police directors with reference to the treatment of the police force. The agreement having been satisfactory to both parties concerned he asked that no time be lost in the issuance of certificates to members of the force. This being done the sum of \$600 would be placed to the credit of the hospital. Received and filed.

The finance committee's report was submitted as follows:

Accounts for November amounting to

The finance committee's report was submitted as follows:

Accounts for November amounting to \$1.708.36 were examined and approved for payment. In the account are included the months' supply of potatoes; also a charge of \$40 for repairs to sewers, and \$30 for fine training telephone connection between the ward kitchens and office. Notwithstanding these charges, the average per diem cost per partient is only \$1.55. The total days stay was 1,030. The salaries for the same mouth amounting to \$807.72, were paid on due date. We would recommend that Mr. Hurrell be appointed anditor for the present year, and that the addit be made at the end of each half year, and that the books, of the hospital be closed at the end of each half year, and that the books. It was adopted unanimously.

Edward Hasell, resident medical superintendent, reported that during the month of November the number of patients admitted was \$4; number of patients treated was 128; total days stay, 1,639; total daily average, 56.19. Statis-

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A farce, "A Model of a Wife," was given by the boys to the amusement of all. After the pray the visitors adjourned to the main building, where they were intertained by the host and hostess.

The head master's report for the year referred to the excellent quarters found in the new school, the Laurels, Boarders were attending from Nelson, Rossland, Vancouver, Macleod, Tacoma and other points, which showed that the school had come to be recognized as an important

points, which showed that the school had come to be recognized as an important educational centre. Everything should be done to make Victoria a great educational centre, and the Collegiate school was doing a part in that.

The report wont on to say. "Our members are well up to the average, the roll call this term being 56, including 19 hoarders. With our increased accommodation we have room for 35 to 40 boarders. The health of the boys has been excellent, a matter of deep thankfulness.

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"Of our old boys, we have fivard good accounts of the work of the two Haningtons at McGill University, one of whom may, we hope, become a Rhodes scholar; of George Dart, who has passed his examinations with honors at the University of Edinburgh, of his brother Hibbert, on board the Britannia; of Harold Hamersley, and Harold Jukes, at the R. M. C. Kingston; of the two Costobadies at Guy's hospital in London, and of "Gerald Potts, who obtained an open scholarship at Trinity University, Toronto, Neven or eight of our old boys have entered banks, notably Dorrell, who was highly complimented by the bank's maning the his most creditable work.

each boy is instructed in the history and doctrines of the Bible. The study of Engish and Canadian history is a special factor in our curriculum.

He lauded the work of Mr. Bell, instructor in history. The study of Engish literature was also made an important branch of the school's work.

The examiners were Vanerable Archdeacon Scriven, M. A., Rev. W. D. Barber, M. A., who examined the upper and lower school - respectively in classics. English and French, and A. J. Parish, M. A., R. N., the naval instructor of H. M. S. Grafton, who undertook the mathematics of the upper school.

An entrance scholarship for new boys was announced to be competed for on the first day of the Easter term, January 11th, 1964.

Special prizes had been given by Bishop Perrin for Divinity. Sir Henridoly for writing the Hon. Mr. Justice Martin for arithmetic, C.-W. Busk, of Nelson, for composition, F. A. Pauline for spelling, Mr. Goodacre for recitation, Messrs. Hibben for history, Miss Archbutt for music, and Mrs. Laing for good conduct among the boarders. The result of the prizes was as follows: School scholarship, Busk, average 78: Form Upper IV., Busk; Form Lower IV., Mertin II., Torner; Form Upper III., Appleby; Form Lower IV., Martin II., Spencer I.; Divinity, Upper school, Spencer I.; Divinity, Upper school, Peters; writing, Upper school, Hill; writing, Lower school, Turner. The copies sent in have been so good and equal in merit that Mr. Archer Martin has very kindly given a third prize to DeLano. Spelling, Upper school, Futrs; recitation, Lower school, Turner; arithmetic. Phair; composition, Busk; history, Pitts; boarders, Busk; music, I, Hill; 2. E. McQuade. With reference to music, Miss Archbutt writes; "The boys have all done good work with their percentages. Hill is especially worthy of commendation, with 95 per cent, and as McQuade has run him closely with 92. I have decided

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In general average, Barnes I., and Appieby have 76; Barnes II., 69; Peters 68; Parry and Martin II. 62. In English grammer, Stirling I, has 80 and Barnes I, 77. In these forms the work was carefully done in the English subjects, the writing was legible and neat, and the general results show individual attention and successful work on the part of the masters.

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LET THERE BE PEACE.

In a half golumn written in tears the ratives to sink their differences and join the innior Conservatives in preparing for the great federal fight. The adyice is good. There must indeed be "unity of action," because the Conserva-tive party is about to pass through a runity of action, because the conserva-tive party is about to pass through a period of great tribulation, and we all know, because we have been often reminded of it, that the chief bulwark of the ed of it, that the chief bulwark of the people in popularly governed countries against administrative abuses is a strong, active, aggressive opposition. With such a record as that of the Laurier administration there is a langer that the country may be literally swept from the Atlantic to the Pacific by Min-isterial condidates. That record has been summarized for the benefit of the sterial condidates. That the been summarized for the benefit of the people by Sir Richard Cartwright in such a masterly fashion as indicates that however severely crippled the grand old knight may be in body, his mental capacity is quite as great as it was in the days when he was the scourage of "grially at the end of each week, have season is over and the minds of men are season is over and the minds of the season in the minds of the season is over and the minds of the mind are season in the other mundane perpicatities, we shall have great pleasure in laying before our readers the speech of the Minister of Trade and Comnerce. We warn our Conservative friends that it is the most remarkable summary that has ever been laid before the Canadian people. If they do not persuade some stalwart to accept the nomination before the re-port of the speech appears, it is certain a Liberal will be elected by ac-clamation, and the nioral effect of a contest for the seat will be lost. For of course the opposition are ready to ad-mit that the nomination of a candidate in this city is purely a formal matter. They know they have not the slightest chance of winning, but they are willing

lower house the government, opposition and labor forces are about equally divided, according to the cable dispatches. Later returns may after the standing of the parties somewhat, but it is beyond doubt that the only hope for the forma-tion of a strong administration lies in

tralia at any stage of its career. Under Premier Barton it hummed and hawed over every subject of importance it was called upon to deal with. It was doubt-ful whether to join the other British colful whether to foin the other British colonies in extending the preferential principle or to uphold the idea of Australia's isolation and alcofress. It appears to have toyed with protected and dallied with Imperial trade relations. Weak, vacillating and unstable, the people lost confidence in it. It is more than probable that every prestige the administration will now than probable that every prestige of the administration will now be swept away and that the two wings of the opposition will come together un-der a coalition Ministry. We do not know that we are able to congratulate the Commonwealth on the result. We fancy, like British Columbia, it is in a

THE NEWSPAPER'S CRITICS.

as most of its contemporaries in having a regular corps of advisers. Their ad-vice is carefully and gravely considered

Their lapses, as seen from outside, are not dealt with so gently. We notice that tuous, upright, honorable, noble, disin-terested—in a word, above reproach, have been charged with certain brethren sordid in their motives and money-gru bers on principle. No such aspersions can be cast upon the press of Victoria or of British Columbia, we are sure. Our newspapers are run upon altrustic prin-ciples. To elevate mankind and destroy all that is evil in governments is our journalistic boneyard so testify to their efforts for the good of mankind. If these things be not true, will some one be kind chough to point out the judi-vidual in British Columbia who has

charged from the pulpit that the news-papers of Toronto are run as business enterprises. We did not believe it pos-sible that the press of that remarkable city had fallen so low; that it had for-cotten its pression of the property of the pression of t ten its mission as an education government. Perhaps the people of the East have fallen away from the beneficent custom, of making special collections for the editor and sending him of tions for the editor and sending him off to a more congenial cline when he is striken down, not so much from over-work as from the contemplation of the responsibilities which rest upon his shoulders and of the appalling thought of the final accounting. Possibly the large corps of employees in all printing offices, who have fallen into the thrift-iess habit of raising families and calling for wages (based on the union scale) regularly at the end of each week, have forced the proprietor to consider his ence and Christian charity have departed, what else could the poor man do?

The newspaper of to-day is a business enterprise. We believe it has been a ess enterprise sir

birth as a newspaper. If it falls short of the ideals of the great majority of the people and the ideals of the great true ideals, although the vast majority of us fail so lamentably to live up to them—we say if the newspaper falls us far in the rear of those ideals as the average individual does, it will fail as a business venture. Few individuals exemplify in their lives the ethical standards they set up for newspapers.

They know they have not the slightest chance of winning, but they are willing to make a sacrifice for the good of the party. We therefore join the Colonist in beseeching the mit. To fave the fact hinted abroad that this once stalwart Tory stronghold is so given over to the unregenerate Grits that a candidate cannot be persuaded to carry the Conservative banner would be disastrous to the cause, and the government might be too strong in the new House for its own good or the good of the country.

AUSTRALIAN ELECTIONS.

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The elections returns from Australia are not yet complete, but such as they are the first Common wealth government has been defeated and that no party will be strong enough to take up the burden of office. In the Liberal-Conservative members to vote for the measure against their own better judgment. That they sacrificed the interests of the country for party discipline is apparent. In my opinion were a provincial general election to be held in 60 days the Liberal-Conservative party, if it went into the contest under the leadership of the men now in the Medical government, would not refuge. the coalition of two of the three facthe coalition of two of the three facthe coalition of two of the three facthe coalition of two of the three facthous. The regular opposition may
coalesce with the Ministerialists and convert the labor party into a straight opposition, or the labor members may join
with the opponents of the government in
turning the Ministers out of office. Which
of these things is likely to happen is not
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We cannot say that the defeat of the government was unexpected. It does not seem to have been popular in Australia.

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Then Grandad, he remembers well when ships all went with (sail). And how I love to hear him tell some splendid thrilling tale, of ancient walls of British oak, the increases made by the bill. That many a tyrant's power has the increase made by the bill. the increases made by the bill were necessary to raise sufficient revenue to carry on the business of the province."

Why should Sir Henry Strong, exbodyguard or be placed in a caretaker's bodyguard or be placed in a caretaker's hands. The idea of a former great expounder and enforcer of the law being authorized to take a shot at another person if in his opinion it can be done in self-defence, is suggestive more of Tombstone, Arizona, than of Ottawa, Outario, But the ex-chief instice does not live in fancy, like British Columbia, it is in a transition state; that it is undergoing penance for past sins, but that it will some for past sins, but that it will some for past sins, but that it will emerge yet into strong and lusty nation.

But the ex-chief justice does not live in Tourbstone.

"My dear," he smiled, "if you ever had the chance to marry a second time would you marry a brainy man?"

She thought a moment, "I might," she smiled back at him, "just for the experione."

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corrupt practices did not generally prevail. In the face of these facts it must be candidy admitted that the general elections in Ontario have been remarkably free from corruption or other wrong-doing

MINTO ON AN ELEPHANT.

Toronto News.

Now that fumer again says Lord Minto is to succeed Lord Curson as Viceroy of India, we shall begin to wonder how so modestly retiring a man will look in a durbar. The Hindu loves a spectacle. Lord Minto has never been one. He is an excellent horseman; but a saddle is not a howdah. Riding an elephant is not easywhen you have to overawe a few millions of spectacular Hindias. As for Lady Minto, she could not fail to be regally graceful anywhere.

THE THREE GODS OF THE ENGLISH-

Sydney Bulletin The Englishman is the last man an

civilized races to be an artist, a musician, or a poet, but he is the first to be a gentleman. An Englishman thinks coldly, loves coldly and fights coldly, but he gets there just the same. There is always a fascinating smoothness about him, and he worships three gods—his flag, his trade and his top hat,

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Hardress Clarke, 86 DOUGLAS

oung stalwart, D. W. Higgins, taking in active part in the deliberations of the junior Conservative Association of Vic glances from bright eyes forty or fifty years ago are still eligible for member-ship in a young Conservative club! The other delightful reminiscence writer and raconteur, Dr. J. S. H., join the Young Liberal Club. He is a Liberal at heart, necessary to express the hope that this

And then to think the ghosts he's se And then to think the ghosts he's see In many and many a grange;
He oft has in a castle been,
Where sights and sounds are strange
Oht Grandad, turn the lights more high
Lest some strange thing be passing by.

In many a robber's lair, Far buried in the stony ground. 1 yish 1 had been there
And helped him kill the robber chief.
Who was a bad and wicked thief.
ROYLAND TUBB.

SHE WOULD EXPERIMENT. Argonaut.

Senator Depew had just finished telling his wittlest spory. He patted his wife in the cheek.
"My dear," he smiled, "if you ever had

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CHAMBERLAIN'S UMBRELLA STORY

Joseph Chamberlain, in one of his recent tariff reform speeches, told an umbrella story that has not been recorded. Mr. Chamberlain wished to point out that

ignorance was to blame for much of the censure that had been attached to his tariff reform scheme. He said:

"Why, my friends, many of my opponents are as ignorant of my proposition as was a certain farmer, many years ago, of the numbrella."

This farmer had made a journey of some twenty miles on foot to a small town. As he was about to set off for home again a hard rain came up, and his host loaned him an umbrella—a novelty at the time-opening it himself so as to save his friend all possible trouble.

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To-day, \$17.50.

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Cream Ladfe, \$1.50.

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Fish Fork, \$2.50.

Shoe Horn, 50c, to \$2.00.

Tooth Brushes, 50c, to 75c,

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Writing Sets, \$9.50.

Fish Sets, \$10.50.

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the manner in which he was a which he was a which had not have a wh

opening it himself so as to save his friend all possible trouble.

"A week later the farmer brought the umbrella back. The weather was bright and fine, out be held the instrument open over his head,

"This contrivance," he grumbled, "is more trouble than it's worth. There wasn't a doorway in the village I could get it through, and I bad to tether it all the week in a field." the manner in which he spent his money and on his habits generally. "I started at the foot of the ladder." An English lady now has about as much chance of marrying an English Duke as an American gculteman now has of marrying the United States daughter of an eighteen-karat plutocrat.

said he. "I did not always have a carriage. When I first started in life I

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to Senate saloon for oyster co

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-Strictly fresh eggs, 45 cents per dozeq; finnan haddies, 15 cents per lb., at Erskine's grocery, telephone 106, corner Johnson and Quadra streets.

A dance was given by the classes of Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Dickinson in Assembly hall last night. Another dance will be given on Wednesday night of uext week.

The Amateur Orchestral Society will meet in Waitt's hall, Government street, on Saturday night, when, after the business of the meeting, the first practice will be held under the conductorship of Frank Watkis.

Frank Watkis.

The R. E. Quadrille Club held one of its regular dances at Work Point barracks last evening. The Sehl-Bantly crehestra provided music, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The club will hold its annual ball on December 31st.

-The King's Daughters gave a very successful concert on Wednesday night, when the following took part in the pro-gramme provided: Miss Walsh-Windle, Dr. and Miss Cobbett, Miss Powell, Miss Pender, Miss Fairall, and Messrs. Wor-lock, Allen and Langworthy.

-Every dollar purchase entitles you to one guess how many yards of Ribbon? for the Solid Gold Watch, to be given by Santa Chas on January 1st, 1904. Ribbon displayed in our north window. The S. Reid Co., Limited.

__o__ —The annual banquet of No. 3 company, Fifth Regiment, C. A., will be held this evening at the Royal Cafe, Fort street. An ecellent menu has been prepared. A programme of musical selections, recitations, etc., has been arranged

To-morrow afternoon an Association football match will be played between the Victoria West and Capital intermediate teams at Macaulay Point. This game is for the intermediate championship. The Victoria West team will be selected from the following: G. Roller, A. Stracom, A. Dakers, B. Monnegan, H. Jones, B. Muir, E. Tait, J. Mc-Arthur, H. Stevens, H. Province and G. Muir.

To-night will be the last time the rock-breaking act will be performed by Prof. Rynerson, as the Orpheum mangement has been requested to withdraw the performance on account of its very sensational character. To-morrow night Prof. Rynerson will allow Mrs. Rynerson to hypnotize him. Prof. Coburn's trained doves prove an enjoyable feature of the entertainment. "The Great Two and a Half" are clever sketch artists. Miss Kneeshaw sings "When We Were Two Little Boys," in her usual finished style. The moving pictures are, as always, new.

Arrangements have been made by the post office department for the dispatch of three mails during the winter months to Telegraph Creek and Glenora, on the Stikine river. Mails will be forwarded from Wraugel, Alaska, early in the months of January. February and March next, and correspondence for the above places should be posted in time for the mails due to leave Victoria on the 1st January next, per steamer Valencia, which calls at Wrangel on her voyage north. The date of closing of the mails for February and March next will be advertised in the Victoria Post Office Guide.

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The New Westminster Columbian has just issued a most creditable souverite number, comprising 70 pages, irrespective of a heavy paper covering. The number is profusely illustrated, and is a nest commendable production. The illustrations include nictures of many New Westminster business men, the most nortable industrial products of the city and this principal points of interest along the Fraser. In the reading matter, is found a great fund of information concerning the resources of the country and instorical sketches of the institutions of the city and other data of, an equally interesting character. On the whole the number is the most pretentious ever issued in the Royal City.

B. D. Holeomb, who is interested in a Quatsino property, interviewed by a representative of the Portland Telegram, said: "Although it is not by any means a continuous ledge, Vancouver Island. B. C., contains many valuable mining properties. The class of ore is a copper suiphide and the ledge is opened a distance of 3,000 feet. The vein shows a width of from one foot to 300 feet, While the ore is not really high grade, it is sufficient to warrant extensive working. Being vlose to smelters, it has a great advantage in the way of freight rates. We row have a 50-foot breast of ore, which will pay for treatment. The corporation is a Washington organization, and most of the stock is held three. Theoma people being interested."

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-The names of Messrs. Forman and James Douglas are advanced as candi-dates for aldermanic honors in the South Ward. The latter has definitely an-nounced his candidature.

-The teachers of the Victoria West school particularly request that the chil-dren will take their annual contributions for the Friendly Help Association to the school house to-morrow morning before-11 o'clock.

—Shelled almonds, table raising Smyrna figs and everything for holid trade at rock bottom prices. Telepho 106 to Erskine's grocery for courted and prompt attention, corner Johns and Quadra streets.

Mr. Herbert William De Buille, of Montreal, and Miss Julia Louise Johnston, third daughter of Mr. J. Johnston, of this city, were joined in marriage by Rev. J. S. Sweet at St. James's church on Wednesday.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of trade will be held this evening when, among other matters, a resolution, introduced by A. J. Morley, asking that step be taken for the encouragement of home industry, wilf be considered.

The First Presbyterian church Sab-bath school will render their annual Christmas cantata, entitled "Santa Claus the Second," in costume, under the able leadership of John Meston, on Tuesday evening next, December 22nd.

The usual closing exercises were held in most schools of the city this morning. There was a good attendance of parents and friends of the pupils in several of the schools, where the rooms had been prettily decorated for the occasion.

Thornton Fell has been requested by a number of his friends to offer himself as a candidate for alderman for South Ward in the coming election. Mr. Felf says he has not yet decided what he will do in the matter. He is considering the

The Royal Black Preceptory, No. 538, will hold a meeting at the A. O. U. W. hall on Saturday evening. There will be several initiations, and the annual election of officers will take place. All Sir Black Knights are cordially invited to attend.

The Aged and Infirm Women's Home desires to extend thanks to Mr. Fernie for the sum of \$10; to Mrs. Waitt for \$5; Mrs. McTavish, sen. \$55, and Lady-Crense; \$3, which has diready been reveived to give Christmas cheer to the aged inmates.

Real Old.—This is the time of year when people buy the best. When it is whisky they ask for Black and White-the popular. Scotch—as supplied the House of Commons, London. For sale by West End Grocery, Fell, Carne. Ross, Saunders and leading bars.

All those who will play for either the Victoria or Garrison teams in to-mortow afternoon's match at Oak Bay are asked to take the 2.20 car from the corner of Government and Fort streets. This is most important, as the match must start at 2.45 promptly in order to be finished before dark.

-0-The souvenir calendar of Victoria, published by A. S. Angell, is a neat remembrance to send to out-of-town friends. Only two hundred have been printed, so you must apply early to secure one. The price is 25 cents, and they are for sale at the principal book stores and at the Times office.

John Tway died this morning at the residence of G. Perkins, Glenfield avenue, Lake district. Deceased was 77 years of age and a native of Jersey. Channel islands. The remains were brought to the parlors of the B. C. Funcral & Furnishing Co., and the funeral will take place from the residence of Mrs. Tway, No. 130 Fort street, on Monday, December 21st, at 10.30 a; m.

—A Handy Book.—Weiler Bros.' large new catalogue just issued contains 230 pages, 1,568 illustrations and prices of 3,000 other articles, and more information about their goods and furnishing homes than you could gain in a week's shopping. Get one before buying your Christmas presents, and look if over leisurely by your own fireside. It is a work of art, and costs you nothing.

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The Alberni Liberal Association have selected John King, president, Jos. Halpenny and Rev. E. G. Taylor as delegates to the convention to be held in Nanaimo on January 13th to nominate a candidate for the Federal House for Comox Atlin riding. The meeting unanimously decided in favor of Wm, Sloan being the nominee, and the delegates were instructed to act accordingly.

Alex. Begg. who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned last evening. After the conclusion of the case Mr. Begg who went to London with a desire to assist in the presentation of Canda's case before the Alaska tribunal, returned

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When the Board of Review of the

National Association meets to pass on the 1903 records, it should read a few pain rules to these record-hunters. No



REGULAR TOURNEY. Last evening at the J. B. A. A. rooms the regular weekly tournament was held. The first prize was won by A. Watson and second by A. McLean.

HOCKEY.

MATCH TO-MORROW. To morrow afternoon at Work Point a match will be played between the Vancouver and R. G. A. teams. Play will commence at 3 o clock.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

AT CALEDONIA GROUNDS. practice match will be played to more between the senior and intermediate ms at the Caledonia grounds. Play will rt promptly at 3 o'clock, and the game mises to be well contested. MATCH IN MORNING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA v. GARRISON.

A game will be played at Oak Bay tomorrow between the Victoria and Garrison
teams. This match will definitely decide
the question of supremacy between these
two teams. The kick off will take place at
a clock. Appended are the tales.
Rivers and Mirchellt-balf backs, Ward,
Earliess capit.) and Price; forwards, Wilks,
Thompson, Johnson, Taylor and Cluch.
Victoria-Goal, F. Jones; backs, H. A.
Goward (capt.) and S. Lorimer; half backs,
W. York, N. Gowen and Thompson; forwards, L. York, B. Tye, H. Pettigrew, J.
Lorimer and R. E. Menzles.
Fred. Richardson will act as referee,
JUNIOR MATCH. VICTORIA v. GARRISON.

JUNIOR MATCH. At Beacon Hill te-morrow morning a match will take place between the junior St. Lonis College and South Park school teams. The game will commence at 10 o'ckick. The St. Louis College team follows: Goal, C. Nelson; full backs, J. Robbins teapt.) and F. Brown; half backs, T. O'Roarke, P. O'Roarke and R. Colbert; forwards, W. McArthur, J. McArthur, F. Sweenery, R. Hickey and H. Silver; substitutes, P. McDonald, M. Kenppock and R. Medina.

COLUMBIAS v. Y. M. C. A.

BASKETBALL.

There was a large attendance at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall, corner of Broad and Pandora streets, last evening, when an intermediate match was played between the Y. M. C. A. annex hall, corner of Broad and Pandora streets, last evening, when an intermediate match was played between the Y. M. C. A. A. teams. The result was a victory for the latter team after one of the closest games played this senson, there being only a difference of 4 points in the score. Victoria West secured 12 noints and the Y. M. C. A. 8 points.

The first half was evenly contested, the first half was evenly contested, the first half was evenly contested, at the start was exceptionally fast. Both teams were good at combination, and the forwards showed themselves accurate in shooting. At the finish of the first half the score was 7 all.

In the second, the Y. M. C. A. team appeared to have the advantage, putting up a better combination 'game than their opponents. After a time, however, the tables turned, and the Victoria West team succeeded in gaining a lead which they maintained. The score in detail follows:

V. W. A. A. From puts, 10; from field, 6; total, 12.

Y. M. C. A.—Prom puts, 2; from field, 6; total, 8.

Stanley Porter refereed the game satia-VICTORIA WEST WON.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

V. W. A. A. v. J. B. A. A.

Local News.

-Rupture Specialist Heard is at his offices, Moody Block.

-Potted Poems. Sounds funny, doesn't it? But just take a look at Weller Bros: Government street window, and you will see the latest editions of poems in pottery.

Some 7,600 seal skins belonging to the Victoria Scaling Company were yes-terday sold at Lampson's annual fall-sale in Loudon. The prices realized showed a depreciation of fifteen per e-ut, on last year's quotations. Particulars of the sale are not yet obtainable.

SONG BIRDS.

To the Editor:—There are at least two reasons why the imported birds die off. First, because the cages are open only one side, and direct synshine has little chance to enter. In Vancouver the cages for small birds are open on three sides, and on the fourth side there is a dry and well ventilated bouse, where the birds can find sheller.

Secondly, while the imported birds are chiefly insectiverous they are being fed on seeds and grain.

The fact is that special cages should be constructed in which a few of the imported birds could remain permanently to additately set to our rather meagre collection.

December 17th.

ARTILLERY NOT POPULAR.

To the Editor:—I was much impressed with your remarks in last night's Times re the paucity of members in the local millia. I am perfectly sure if the G. O. C. would grant the necessary germission to raise an infantry regiment he would find that it would soon nil with good men. My reasons are; list. The men cannot give their time to become efficient both in artillery and in the content of the death of the particular of the death of the particular of the death of the content of the content of the content of the death of the particular of the dea

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The time used is Pacine standard for the 120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot. For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria.

Esquimait (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations observations the 1995 records, it should read a few pain rules to these record-hunters. No record can stand that has been made by the aid of more than one accompanying horse, or by the aid of a horse preceding the trotter; the accompanying horse must be at the side, and not directly in front. The discussion of dust and wind shields is amusing; there is no differentiating shields; it matters not if they are below the axis and called 'dust guards," or envelop the driver and called "wind shields," or whether there are only the horse and driver directly in front; all are for the purpose of creating a strong current of air, or insush, so as to blow or carry the performer along faster than it would be capable of by its own unaided efforts. The employment of any one of them invalidates the performance as a fair or compared with simultaneous observation continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Den

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

Manual training will be introduced into Rossland's public schools after Christmas. Henry Dunnell of Victoria will be here under the auspices of the educational department for the purpose of giving the teachers in the schools a six weeks' course in brush drawing and clay modelling, two primary subjects under the heading of manual training. Mr. Dunnell has just left Nelson after completing a similar course of lectures there. Following the work with Mr. Dunnell the teachers are capable of taking two years' work with children, and special courses during the summer in the interimwill qualify them for more advanced work.

FERNIE.

F. S. Hussey, of Victoria, superintendent of provincial police, has been visiting Fernie. He was of the opinion that it would be impossible to build a large jail in Fernie for some time yet and he was in favor of making certain improvements and additions to the present building to answer temporarily. He has advised the department to tear the inside out of the lock-up, to renvert that space into offices and to add a lock-up building. This lock-up will have six cells. While help the superintendent inquired into the need of lock-ups at Morrissey and Michel, and he will also ask appropriations for the erection of suitable structures for this purpose at these places.

A. H. Reeder, the recently appointed general manager for the Crow's Nesty Pass Coal Concerny has resigned his position and gone East to accept a studiar but more remuncrative one in West, Virginia. To a Free Pfess reporter Mr. Reeder said: "I received an unsolicited offer of the general management of the Virginia Coal & Iron Company by wire. I wired my resignation to the hoard of directors at Toronto and received an acceptance." Continuing. Mr. Reeder stated the change caused him some regret as he was favorably impressed with the outlook for this district. He was minch pleased with all the features of the position, and he find nothing but praise to say of all connected with his staff. Mr. Stockett has been instructed to take charge of the general manager's department temporarily. This is the fourth time that he has been called upon to fill this office. His practical krowledge of coal mining, coupled with his long personal superintendence of these mines, eninently fits him for that position.

NELSON.

A most important strike is reported at the Sullivan mine in East Kootenny. Work on this property has been carried on since its first ascovery, nearly ten years ago, on scattered ore bodies, no continuous lead being discovered till last week, when, in running a tunuel from the latest shaft. No, 5, at a depth of 169 feet, to connect with the older workings of the mine, a lead of galenn thirty feet across, with clearly defined walls, was encountered. The ore in this lead runs 50 per cent, lead and 25 ounces sliver, the highest average values which have yet been struck on the property. While the ore body is not all cf tag grade mentioned, yet the larger portion of it is, and all within the walls is of a market able value. This discovery will place the Sullivan fine front rank among silver-lead mines, even the St. Eugene not having a lead of such size as this. It is believed that the various isolated bodies of ore which have been worked at the Sullivan from time to time, were off-shoots from this big lead, which is one of the best strikes yet made in East Kooteaay.

one of the best strikes yet made in East Kootenay.

Frank Holten, of the Great Northeru mines, Poplar, states that most encouraging progress is now being made on the Lucky Jack and Swede groups. The tunnel on the former property is now in over 250 feet on the lead, which still constitutes about three feet in width. Theore is of the same character as that encountered at the beginning, Mr. Holten says, consisting of white quartz with pieuty of free milling gold scattered all through it. As soon as there is sufficient snow for rawbiding, a large shipment of ore will be brought down from the Swede group, and taken to the Oyster-Criterion mill at Camborne for treatment, the concentrates being sent on to the sweder at Trail. The ore from the Swede group not only contains free milling silver and gold, but also an appreciable per centage of galena; making it one of the most

peculiar formations yet encountered in the Koofenays. The tunnel at this property is in 60 feet, and between it and the Lucky Jack about twenty men are employed. For the past month a portion of the working force has been busily employed cutting trails, putting up bpildings and in other ways making ready for permanent operations. Messrs, Rogers, Watker and Olson are opening up a claim hear the Swele group, and are meeting with good success, a rich lead having been uncovered which promises to prove permanent. Marquis and Gilbert are working away steadily on their claim, and hauling up tons of rich free milling gold ore steadily.

AUTOMOBILE RACE. Contest For the James Gorden Bennett Trophy Will Take Place Next July,

Paris, Dec. 17.—At a conference of the representatives of the automobile clubs of eight nations, it was decided that the race for the James Gordon Bennett cup shall take place between July 7th and July 15th next, over a course 84 miles long. It was further decided that machines can be driven by men selected by the clubs, which decision will open the door to professional chauffeurs.

SCHOOL TO CURE SHYNESS.

London Woman Starts a Novel Lec-ture Course—Calls it Form of Conceit.

Shyness is not generally regarded as a to be seriously taken in hand at the Jop-ling School of Art at Earl's Court, Lon-don. There, during the coming season, bestical women are invited to come and be chiral by Miss Elsa Desterre. One meeting has already been held, and the roseate blushes which suffused the cheeks of bashful blondes and brunettes, rivaled nature's finest efforts in the shape of a transfeal angest.

of a tropical sunset.

The lecturer at this meeting did not The lecturer at, this meeting did not spare her quailing hearers as she told them that shyness was merely a form of conceit, the result of believing themselves greater than they really are. The cure is to be effected by means of a series of debates, in the course of which the disease will be considered in all its aspects. The shyest women will take the chair in turn. Papers will be read by the shyest and will be replied to by the next in order of shyness.

SULT?" Mrs. Annie C. Chestnut, of Whit-by, was for months a rheumatic victim, but South American Rheumatic Cure chang-ed the song from "despair" to "joy." She says: "I suffered untold misery from rheu-matism—doctors' medicine did me no good -two bottles of South American Rheuma-tic Cure cured me—relief, two hours after tic Cure cured me-relief two hours after the first dose." Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.-50.

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Resents Interference of Foreigners in the National Affairs of Russia-Case

Paris, Dec. 17.-Prince Mestchersky Paris, Dec. 17.—Prince Mestchersky, of Russia, in a letter to the Gaulois, sharply criticises the interference of foreign nations in the national affairs of Russia, citing particularly the case of the United States. The Prince says: "He for example, public opinion in Russia should be moved in behalf of the negroes in American officials, I suppose those attacked would say, 'lou must not mix in our internal affairs.' That would be a strictly logical answer, just as much so as the answer made by the people of Russia."

Russia."

The Prince says that M. Von Plehve, the Russian minister of the interior, has been particularly maligned. He says: "If Minister Von Plehve oe guilty, the Czar, who is responsible for the acts of his minister, is equally guilty." He deeply deplores the calumny he has put upon his country, explains the Russian view of the Jewish massacres at Kishineff, and praises the conduct of M. Von Plehve.

DETECTION OF CRIMINALS.

M. Bertillon's New System Has Proved a Success.

Paris, Dec. 17.—M. Bertilion, the expert criminologist, has organized a new system for the detection of criminals. Heretofore photos have been employed for the detection, of malefactors. Now detectives will be taught to search the physiognomy for three or four striking features, each of which has a mathematical value. Photographs accompanied by measurements taken under this new system will, it is claimed, make it practically impossible for an instructed detective to make, any mistake in the classification or detection of a criminal. Heretofore the errors made were as high as tofore the errors made were as high as 70 per cent.. while a trial of M. Bertillon's new system has reduced the errors to 1 per cent.

The Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending December 17th, 1903, were \$4.024,337; for corresponding week, 1902, \$5.102,593, and for the same period, 1901, \$4.287,197.



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To be Sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs on the THIRTIETH DAY of December, 1993, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1993," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, interest and Cosis due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid. If sold, the said Lands and Improvements will be chargeable with a proportion of the Legal Costs of and incidental to the obtaining of the Judge's Order confirming such Sale.

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N. B.—In column numbered 4 in above list the letter "L" means Land, and "L. and I." mean Land and Improvements, Dated this 27th day of November, A.D. 1963, at City Hall, Victoria, B.C. CHARLES KENT, COHECTOR of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

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Pated this 4th day of November, 1903.

HANNAH WALL.

WILLIAM A. SMITH.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GODFREY KENNELL, DECEASED.

GODFREY KENNELL, DECEASED.

Take notice that pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate are requested to send by post or deliver to the executors, Robert Thompson Clanton and George Parrett, or to the undersigned, on or before the 20th day of January, 1904, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the scurlies, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and they shall then have notice, and only person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria this 11th day of December, 1903.

S. PERRY MILLS,

51 Langley St. Victoria, B.C.

51 Langley St., Victoria, B.C., Selicitor for the Executors.

Creditors' Notice.

IN THE MATTER OF ACHILLE BOSSI, DECEASED, LATE OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, AND OF PORTO CERESIO, COMO, ITALY, INTESTATE.

Letters of administration of the estate and effects of the intestate, within the province of British Columbia, have been granted to Leonard Calvert Mills, as Attsrney-in-Fact of Francesca Maria Boost, widow of the intestate, and for her use and benefit

ney-in-Fact of Francesca Maria Bossi, widow of the intestate, and for her use and benealt.

Take notice that, pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above named deceased are requested to send by post or deliver to the said Leonard Culvert Mills, as such attorney as aforesaid, at the office of the undersigned on or before the 1st day of February, 1904, full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased according to law, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said Attorney for the said Francesca Maria Bossi will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

And further take notice that all persons.

And further take notice that sil-personal from whom moneys were due to the said Achille Bossi, deceased, are required to pay the same to the said Attorney within the period above mentioned.

Dated this 18th day of December, 1963.

S. PERRIY MILLS.

Solicitor for the Attorney-in-Fact of the Said Francesca Maria Bossi.

"Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1901."

Notice is hereby given that John Me-Sweeny, of No. 81 Discovery street, in the City of Victoria, enrying on business as a grocer at No. 177 Douglas street, in the same city, has by assignment bearing date the 3rd day of December, 1903, pursuant to the above Act, assigned all his personal property, real estate, credits and effects which may be seized and sold under execution, unto Arthur Brenchley, of No. 120 Belleville street, in the same city, commission merchant.

ion merchant.
Dated this 4th day of December, 1903,
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22 Bastion St., Victoria,
Solicitors for the Assignee.

Municipal Election

1904.

during the month of December to make and subscribe before a Supreme or County Court Judge, Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, Commissioner for Jaking affidayits in the Supreme Court, Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, the statutory declaration provided by the "Municipal Elections Act." This declaration may be made before Mr. W. W. Northcott, City Assessor, who is a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Victoria, at his office, City Hall.

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VICTIMS OF MADNESS.

Epidemic of Lunacy Among Aristocracy of Hungary.

A singular epidemic of madness se-

A singular epidemic of madness seems to be making its way among the higher Hungarian nobility and affecting some families of European notoriety.

Count George Festetics, the eldest son of Count Tassilo Festetics and Lady Mary Douglas-Hamilton, lately committed suicide in a lunate asylum by hanging. He was only 20 years old.

Another Hungarian magnate, Count Saabo, of Arard, the owner of nearly half a million acres of land, has had to be confined as a dangerous lunatic. He had lately facurred heavy, losses at play, and was laboring under the impression that he could not pay his debts and that his creditors were pursuing him night and day with could not pay his debts and that his credit-ors were pursuing him night and day with red-hot irons to brand him as a swindler. A third noble, Count Esthaby, having large estates in Transylvania, has fallen a vietim to the mania after a wild career of dissipation extending over several years, during which he sold every stick of furni-ture in the castic and every tree on his extensive estates.

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TWO FATALITIES

R. IRVINE FOUND DEAD IN THE BURNES BLOCK

A Young Boy Loses His Life by Falling Into a Post Hole in Victoria

Two fatalities occurred yesterday fternoon. Robt. Irvine was found dead t the foot of the stairs in the Burnes evidently dug for a telephone or tele-graph post on Esquimalt street, and was

Little is known of the circumstances arrounding the death of Robt. Irvine sterday afternoon at 2 o'clock he was n good health, having called at Good-cre's store, Government, street, where e was employed whenever an extra and was required. From here it ap-cars he went to the Burnes house, where e and Mrs. Irvine roomed, and went to seen to come from his room evidently with the intention of leaving the house. At about 4 o'clock Mrs. J. Sterling, the proprietress, noticed him lying at the foot of the staircase. She did not faink it was anything amusal, and called for help to carry him to his room. In attempting to lift him it was noticed that he appeared very lil. Dr. Hart was, therefore, immediately sunsaoned, Upon examination the doctor pronounced the

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however, will be decided at the inquest, which is being held this afternoon.

Deceased was about 32 years of age. He leaves a widow and child to mourn his loss, and has also living in Victoria two brothers and six sisters. His mother salso resides here. The funeral is arranged to take place on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral & Furnishing Co., 52 Government street.

GOVERNMENT STREET.

Fofind Drowned.

Found Drowned.

The box Jehn Kentfield, was sent from the home of his parents, Esquimait street, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon on an errand for his mother, He was not seen again until 9 o'clock this morning when his father discovered him in the manner already stated. The police were immediately informed, and two constables were desuntched to the scene of the accident. When they arrived the body was retroved. From appearance the boy had fallen in yesterday afternoon, and had remained there all night. The hole is about five feet deep, and consequently the body could not be seen by anyone passing by on the sidewalk. This explains how it was that no discovery was made until this morning.

When Mr. Kentfield arrived home lastnight and learned of the disappearance

This inquest is taking place this after

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him a farthing, but recently a faithless Jewess had to pay £250 for jilting a Christian bicycle dea'er.

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Frank, declaring that they must clope. Shortly after-she married a man of her own faith and offered Frank the sole excuse that she did so because she was afraid that her mother might have an arrange of the sole poplectic fit if she remained true

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