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TOO MANY CLOCKS

Have their main recommendation in their faces and their gaily shells. We believe in attractive exteriors, but we have greater faith in the recommendation that a good time-keeper will give us.

Our Clocks Are Ornaments

In every sense of the word, and we guarantee them to be.

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Smart dressers looking for SWELL FOOTWEAR should come here, and most of them do.

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The Trade are invited to call and inspect our many and varied lines of Spring Goods, which we offer at prices that cannot be beaten.

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One half acre land, with 5 roomed cottage, bath, basement, stable, fine young orchard bearing; you may own this cheap.

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We have for sale in RESIDENCES and BUILDING LOTS, which we offer on EASY TERMS.

FIGURES TO LOAN on mortgage at lowest rates of interest.

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O.E. Collins, 2 roomed cottage and 1/2 lots, near the city, containing nearly four acres of cleared and fenced land, five roomed modern cottage, barn, stable and chicken houses, and young orchard; owner will sacrifice for \$1,100.

David street, a cheap cottage and large lot for \$700.

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And Vault Doors.
J. BARNESLEY & CO., Agents,
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Highest prices paid for old copper, brass, zinc, lead, iron, rubber, rope, canvas, sacks, etc. Blacksmiths and Plumbers' scraps a specialty. Parties walked upon at shop or residence.
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Out of bulk. Do not pay for gaudy lithographs.
Johnston's Seed Store,
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DEPUTATION'S REPORT

Regarding Visit to Ottawa Will Probably Be Submitted To-Day.

It is understood that the report of the government deputation to Ottawa will be laid before the House this afternoon. The government asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier if he had any objection to the report being submitted, and he replied "Certainly not."

Among the propositions made to Ottawa, it is understood, was one that the central government should bear two-thirds of the subsidy to be granted to the three roads mentioned in the Speech from the Throne, but it is stated that there is no indication in the report of any action in the government in reply.

The largest library of small books in the world belongs to a Frenchman, who boasts that he can pack 700 of his pocket editions in a single portmanteau.

To-Morrow Will Decide

The Chinese Have Until Tuesday to Sign the Manchurian Agreement.

Attitude of Russian Minister at Meetings of Representatives Causes Annoyance.

No Decision Yet Reached Regarding Methods of Protecting the Legations.

(Associated Press.)

Peking, March 25.—The foreign ministers seem utterly unable to agree as to the best method of policing the legation. The proposition most favored by the majority and most complained of by the minority provides that men of the regular armies shall be detailed for the service under one officer called by the allied forces. United States special commissioner Rockhill is one of those who object to this plan, as is also the British minister, Sir Ernest Satow, who says that though an international force is desirable, it would be better if police details should be composed of soldiers not liable to be called away when most useful. It is also undesirable, he thinks, that the commandant should be an officer actively connected with any army, while the intention to make each legation practically an armed camp is a great mistake, and is liable to cause friction, and it would be far better to make a general international district.

The home ministers are considering the advisability of asking the government to reconsider the decision in favor of armed legation guards, as being liable not only to keep the court from returning to Peking, but also as a continual source of danger in the dealings with the Chinese. They say it would be impossible to keep the guards within the legation quarters as Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang insist. To agree to this would make it impossible to guarantee order, especially when the Chinese troops shall have returned to Peking. One drunken soldier outside the foreign settlement, they say, might cause another war.

The time when the Russians have given the Chinese to sign the Manchurian agreement expires on Tuesday, and should the agreement not be signed, Russia will break off the negotiations. The agreement annexes Manchuria.

Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang were consulted this morning, but did not either refuse to sign the conference or appeal to the powers.

On behalf of China, Li Hung Chang desires to express gratitude to America for her position in the matter.

The attitude of M. de Giers, the Russian minister, at the meeting of foreign representatives is embarrassing and causes considerable annoyance. He either refuses to agree with the other ministers or holds apart entirely.

A committee will consider the questions of China's ability as regards indemnity, and the most practical methods of guaranteeing payment of indemnity to the powers.

It is thought that on account of Sir Robert Hart's increasing age and the gradual approach of feebleness that he will not continue long in charge of the Imperial Chinese customs on behalf of the powers.

The bodies of Captain Riley and seven enlisted men, which had been buried at the American legation, were removed to the temple of agriculture with military honors, General Chaffee and his staff accompanying the remains. The body of an American marine buried at the Russian legation will be removed on Thursday with the same honors. The bodies will leave on board the transport Elbert for the United States about the middle of April. The signal corps has completed the arrangements, and is awaiting transportation to Mantou.

Indemnity Question.

Berlin, March 25.—A dispatch from Peking to the Cologne Gazette, dated Sunday, March 24th, says that at the first formal meeting of the committee on indemnity, held in Peking on Sunday, it was decided to invite Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese imperial maritime customs; Mr. Fabier, vicar apostolic at Peking; and other experts, financial and otherwise, to submit proposals as to the best methods for raising the amount

LIVELY FOR A TIME.

Free Fight at a Meeting of Sympathizers With Nihilists Held in New York.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 25.—A lively outbreak occurred at a meeting of sympathizers with the Russian Nihilists held in a hall at No. 49 Henry street last night, in which considerable blood was spilled and damage done to the furniture. The object of the meeting was to raise funds for the Nihilists.

The meeting went on peacefully until a man in the middle of the hall began to count a roll of money. Then a rush was made for him and a free fight followed. Chairs and benches were used as weapons and howls of rage were heard on every side. Some, the more timid, Nihilist sympathizers, tried to get out of the place, but somebody had locked the door. There were cries to "kill the spies," "there's government spies among us," and several of the men were thrown bodily down stairs when the door was finally opened.

A call for the police frightened the combatants, and the fighting ceased. It was then decided to hold a meeting at a later date.

Touring The Colonies

The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York Arrive at Malta.

(Associated Press.)

Malta, March 25.—Steamer Ophir, bearing the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York on their tour of the world, arrived here this morning. The warships in the harbor were manned and dressed. In Valletta great crowds filled the terraces and the ramparts commanding the harbor. The Ophir was met 18 miles out by a flotilla of ten torpedo boat destroyers; and entered the harbor amid salvos of artillery from St. Angelo, the citadel, the forts and warships.

After receiving the officials the Duke and Duchess landed and drove to Porto Reale and thence to the palace. The balconies along the route were filled with spectators. The entire distance from the landing place to the palace was decorated and lined with troops and bluejackets.

NEGOTIATIONS CLOSED.

No Other Peace Terms Will Be Submitted to the Boers.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 25.—The colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, when asked in the House today if it was possible to change the offer of peace terms to the Boers, said the negotiations were closed, and there was no intention of reopening them.

SNOWSTORM IN NEBRASKA.

Railway Lines Are Blocked and Passenger Trains Cannot Move.

(Associated Press.)

Lincoln, Neb., March 25.—Reports from Alliance and Ogallala after midnight indicate that the Union Pacific and the Burlington main lines are blocked with snow. Three passenger trains are held at Ogallala and drifts west of there have not been raised after hard work with snow plows.

The Burlington main line to the northwest is tied up west and east of Alliance, and all trains are held. The storm in Western Nebraska is the worst in years, and will cause great damage to stock interests. Snow is reported from four to twelve inches deep, with a strong wind blowing.

Eastern Nebraska is deluged with rain.

MASSACRED BY TURKS.

Three Bulgarian Families Put to Death—Village Burned.

(Associated Press.)

Constantinople, March 25.—According to private advices from Macedonia, a band of Turks massacred three Bulgarian families, men, women and children, in the village of Aghamahalleh, near Seres, a town forty-seven miles northwest of Salonica. Details of the outrage have not been received. The news created a profound sensation.

It is stated that a village near Monastir, in Macedonia, with a mixed population of Mussulmans and Bulgarians, has been burned.

THE CORN DUTY.

(Associated Press.)

Liverpool, March 25.—The Daily Post says that the failure of the peace negotiations in South Africa is causing the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, to consider the expediency of abandoning the suggestion of a shilling registration duty on corn in favor of a two shilling direct duty.

BANKER DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 25.—Gen. T. Bliss, the well-known retired banker, is dead at his home on Fifth avenue, this city, as the result of complications developed from the grippe. Mr. Bliss was 49 years old, and was a son of Geo. Bliss, of the banking house of Morton, Bliss & Co.

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(Associated Press.)

London, March 25.—Charlotte Mary Young, the authoress, died yesterday in Winchester. She was born on August 11th, 1823.

Determined Suicide

Man Fastened a Piece of Iron to His Neck and Leaped From Wharf.

Toronto Woman Charged With Shop-Lifting Straggled Herself in Prison Cell.

Druggist's Fatal Mistake—Died From Effects of Drinking Prussic Acid.

(Associated Press.)

Sydney, C. B., March 25.—Three men were badly scalded by boiling oil at the Dominion iron and steel works on Saturday. They were at work on a breach over the bridge furnace when the overflow of oil occurred.

Fired at Negro.

Halifax, N. S., March 25.—Geo. Halbert, a young Englishman on a visit to the city, attempted to shoot Walter Dixon, a negro, on Saturday night. He fired two shots at him, but neither took effect. Halbert is now under arrest.

R. C. Bishop Dead.

St. John, N. B., March 25.—The Right Rev. John Sweeney, D. D., Roman Catholic bishop of St. John, died this morning from a paralytic stroke on Saturday night. He was 80 years of age.

Sad Suicide.

Toronto, March 25.—Pabily, disgraced and detected over the shame she brought to her family, Mrs. Alice Summers, 43 Arthur street, who was arrested on Wednesday last for shop-lifting, yesterday afternoon committed suicide by strangling herself in jail.

Fatal Mistake.

Bowmanville, March 25.—W. T. Cole, druggist, took a dose of prussic acid in mistake for a tonic for stomach trouble on Saturday night, and died in about fifteen or twenty minutes after medical assistance arrived.

Jumped Into the Sea.

St. Andrew's, N. B., March 25.—Capt. Jas. Storkey, a well-known boatman, and formerly a prominent ship-builder, committed suicide yesterday morning by fastening a piece of iron to his neck and jumping over the wharf into the sea.

Lightning Killed Horses.

Manila, Out., March 25.—A severe storm passed over this district early yesterday morning, lightning striking the barns of William Matthews, just north of here, killing three valuable horses, two cows and five hogs.

Protest by Cossacks

Officers Appeal Against Being Employed to Quell Riots in St. Petersburg.

Say Fighting Defereless Men and Women is Beneath Their Dignity.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, March 25.—A ministerial council was held yesterday at Sarakow Nelo, the summer residence of the Czar, 17 miles south of St. Petersburg, under the presidency of the Czar, to discuss the riots whose continuation to-morrow is anticipated.

The delegates of the students at a meeting yesterday withdrew their previous invitation to assemble to-morrow. This step was taken in order to prevent the police from arresting those who have taken an active part in the agitation for the students' liberty and university reforms and diverting them into the army. In spite of this it is feared that the workmen will assemble, as the strikers are threatened to break out to-night.

Several large forces of troops, accontred for active service, marched through the streets to-day, presumably towards suburbs to check the workmen of a certain factory who have been warned against entering the city on Sunday under the penalty of losing their positions.

In military circles it is reported that the officers of Cossack Guards Regiment have petitioned the authorities not to employ them henceforth in suppressing riots, holding that being pitted against defenceless men and women is beneath their dignity.

Lt.-Gen. Prince Viasensky, a member of the Imperial council, who protested against the conduct of the police and Cossacks, has resigned according to report.

Practically all the higher educational institutions are idle including the Kharkoff, the Odessa, Lazan, and Kiev universities.

A student named Bohritsky, who was wounded in the Kharkoff riots, died the following day.

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CYLON AND INDIA TEA GREEN OR BLACK, IS ECONOMICAL TEA... ASK FOR IT... A free sample of delicious SALADA Tea sent on receipt of postal mentioning which you drink Black, Mixed, or Green Tea. Address "SALADA," Toronto or Montreal.

Klong the Waterfront... HANGS LIKE A HINGE... Loy's agent is reported to have arrived at Nanaimo from the wreck of the collier Wilamette, where he made a thorough investigation into the causes of the accident.

MAJ NOT COME HERE... Steamer Majestic, the new vessel built at Everett for the Puget Sound-Victoria route in which service it had been intended that she should replace the Evangel, was launched on Saturday.

OVERHAULING THE FLEET... H. Chapman, who has charge of overhauling the machinery of the Canadian Development Company's boats at White Horse, has a crew of thirty-five men at work.

THE LUMBER TRADE... A Vancouver dispatch says that lumber vendors are reported offering more freely, with slightly reduced rates.

MARINE NOTES... Bark Elizabeth Nicholson, which left New Westminster with lumber for Shanghai several months ago, and which had been heavily re-insured, arrived at her destination on March 19th.

Boers Cross the River... The current washed the Boers a considerable way down the river, but they, nevertheless, managed to take five Cape carts, one horse wagon and two ambulances over.

Swam River At Night

How Dewet Was Driven Across the Orange River By British Troops... Capture at One Time Seemed Inevitable—Graphic Details of the Pursuit.

Details of the operations by which Dewet was driven from Cape Colony have been received in London... The operations were carried out on a large scale.

Turning the Enemy... On the 23rd ult. he got into immediate contact with the Boers, Colonel Hamilton then took up the pursuit, and pressed the enemy, Captain Marker, of the Coldstream Guards, with a few men of the Victorian Imperial regiment, came in sight of two of the enemy's guns.

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E.M. Brown... Cultivating ordinary honey bees is a modern apartment house has been accomplished in Chicago.

They Planted Their Flags

Russians Reported to Have Returned to Disputed Territory at Tien Tsun... The Rumor That China Rejected the Treaty Has Not Been Confirmed.

London, March 24.—The Tien Tsun correspondent of the Sunday Special... "A new and unfortunate hitch has occurred in the Anglo-Russian dispute."

Must Soon Decide... Washington, March 23.—The question of Chinese indemnities has given way for the moment to the more pressing issue over the consummation of the Russo-Chinese agreement.

NEWS FROM SAMOA... Washington, March 23.—Assistant Secretary Hackett has received a report from Commander B. F. Tilley, commanding the naval station at Tutuila, Samoa, dated Auckland, March 2nd, 1901.

Close Upon the Heels... Dewet, with his left resting upon the Orange river, Colonel Heulaker, and Crabbe formed an extension of Thorneycroft's line.

FIGHT WITH FILIPINOS... Manila, March 23.—Col. Rosario, with 50 men and 30 rifles, has surrendered to Col. Baldwin, of the Fourth Infantry, at San Francisco de Malabon, Cavite province.

The Engineer... Leaning from the cab window does more with his ears than his eyes.

Campbell's Prescription Store

We keep the largest stock of Drugs and Toilet Articles in the province... Prescriptions promptly and carefully executed.

PROTECTING THE KAISER... Programme Drawn Up by Police and Approved by His Majesty.

Berlin, March 23.—The reply of Emperor William to the Prussian diet's congratulations yesterday, in which His Majesty, ignoring the officially established facts that Welfand, the man who threw a piece of iron at the Emperor at Bremen, striking him on the cheek, is a life-long epileptic, and for years was an inmate of an asylum, and on the day of the attempt was under medical treatment for fits, threw harsh blame upon the nation for conditions breeding such attempts, is the sensation of the day.

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Wrecked by The Boers

Overpowered the Escort of Supply Train and Carried Off Provisions... Attack on a Convoy Moving to Join Gen. French's Column.

Standerton, Transvaal, March 22.—Four hundred Boers, under the Boer commandant Buys, have wrecked a supply train north of Vlamagte. They overpowered the escort and carried off several wagon loads of provisions.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation... Many pretty white figured and printed mullets just received at Wellers...

Their Annual Meeting

Friendly Help Association Transacted Business For the Year on Saturday.

Reports of Several Officers Were Received and Adopted—Addresses By Clergy.

At the annual meeting of the Friendly Help Association which was held in the market hall on Saturday, the president reported as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen—In submitting our annual report, we have once more to gratefully tender our sincere thanks for the continued liberality of the corporation of the city of Victoria, who not only entrusted us with the distribution of a large portion of their charity fund, but give us substantial aid in various other ways.

We wish also to thank you for the ready help of the King's Daughters and other kind friends at Christmas and other seasons in assisting to gladden the hearts and brighten the homes of the poor unfortunate, who, perhaps from no fault of their own, are unable to provide necessities for themselves or helpless little ones.

Of these instances we are so grateful, and express their warmest thanks and appreciation, not only for the timely help, but this act of consideration and sympathy.

We are under the necessity, however, of reminding the friends that their gifts of clothing have not been as generous as numerous as during the preceding year.

This is attributed not to lack of sympathy, or disregard of the welfare of their less fortunate fellow-beings, but to the numerous demands upon them during the year for other charities, and particularly to patriotic calls incidentally to the South African campaign.

The present outlook for an early return to the blessings of peace, encourage us to hope that many hearts may be stirred up to contribute liberally to the good work we are endeavoring to carry on, of comforting the distressed, soothing the sorrowful, advising the perplexed and helping the needy.

We desire again to point out, that the Friendly Help Society combines within itself representatives of most of the kindred institutions, working harmoniously together, in a strictly unsectarian, and was formed on the broadest lines for the purpose of bringing together those moved by the same generous impulses that these ought to be order and system in relieving distress.

We feel that in this respect the Friendly Help has been a success. We wish that a larger amount of money had been at our disposal. At all events, we have the comforting assurance that the little we have been able to do has been gratefully received and appreciated.

Respectfully,
S. HAYWARD,
President.

This was followed by the secretary's report as appended:

Madame President, Ladies and Gentlemen: We have reached another milestone and are called upon to give an account of our stewardship for the year that has just passed, the sixth in the history of this society. Our statistics show that we have this year assisted about one hundred and ten different persons, of this number more than three-fourths are women and children. Groceries were given one hundred and seventy-three families, milk daily to three or four different families, and to one or two families, and our balance sheet shows that we have in our possession, rent, nursing, etc., were given in several instances, and clothing a number of times to almost the whole number. Our list of donations in second-hand clothing, hats, caps, gloves, etc., number one hundred and twenty-seven parcels. Our Christmas donations, apart from what was given by the city, amounted to \$157. against \$79.25 last year, which is almost double. A large number of new garments were also received at that time, as well as groceries, toys, chickens, fruit, vegetables, etc.

This generosity enabled us to give a substantial Christmas dinner, some new garments, and, in many instances, fuel, etc., to more than fifty families.

The aggregate amount expended during the year has been \$2,500, and our balance sheet shows that we are still on the right side. In our case the promise is abundantly verified—"Give and it shall be given you." As has been stated in former reports, our funds are all raised by voluntary giving, each member assisting all she is able, both in gifts and personal service.

As previously mentioned, our work is largely for women and children, and while glad to be able to assist them in this way, we note with pleasure that our legislators are striving to assist us by providing a compelling need to support those who are legally depending on them.

During the year we have been called upon to mourn the loss of a member of our executive, and one of our most efficient workers, Mrs. D. W. Higgins. Our thanks are again extended to the Home Nursing Society, to the civic authorities, to many of the physicians for professional services, to Mr. Johnson, market superintendent, to Foster & Sons for meat, to our kind Christmas friends for their liberal donations, to the city newspapers and all others who have befriended us in any way furthered our charitable work.

LAURETTA GOULD,
Honorary Secretary.

The following statement of receipts and expenditures was submitted by the treasurer:

Receipts.

To cash on hand, March, 1900	\$ 46 50
To Corp. of Victoria, grant aid	420 00
To Prov. Govt. grant in aid	120 00
To donations paid sub.	217 40
To collections per order	41 20
To receipts from sale goods	10 05
Total	\$865 15

Expenditures.

By amount paid for fuel	\$341 00
By amount paid for meat	7 75
By amount paid for rent	56 00
By amount paid for groceries	507 10
By amount paid for clothing	19 50
By amount paid for milk	61 75
By amount paid for medicine	11 75
By amount paid miscellaneous	11 99
By balance on hand, March 1, 1901.	26 00
Total	\$865 15

MARY R. LAWSON,
Treasurer.

Certified correct, Chas. Kent,
Victoria, B. C., March 1st, 1901.

Detailed Statement of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Three stores	\$17 60
Stamps, postals and stationery	2 35
Cleaning room	9 50
Help	1 00
Express hire	2 75
Wood	1 00
Flour	5 00
Nurse	1 25
Ball and soap	45
Moving	50
Total	\$41 40

List of Cash Donations During the Year.

Dr. Duncan, United Service Lodge No. 24 Mrs. Galletty, Mowat & Wallace, Mrs. Wang Grant, Mrs. Dunsmuir, F. S. Barnard, H. Pearce, W. Deany, Miss Novcombe, W. Henderson, A. Friend, the Bishop, Miss Perlin and Ben, Mrs. Charles Kent, Capt. Gould, Chas. Kent, Mrs. Wm. Power, New York, Mrs. Dier, Mrs. Hargraves, Scroggie Macdonald, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. M. R. Harrison, Mrs. Stutton, Mrs. H. G. Scott, Miss Woods, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. J. I. Wilson, A. Friend, Mrs. Brown, Miss J. Saunders, Mrs. Andrew, Mrs. H. Kent, Mrs. L. Clay, Mrs. Corman, Miss Carr, Mr. Johnston.

Detailed List of Cash Collected by Cards.

Mrs. Altkman	\$15 75
Mrs. M. R. Lawson	7 75
Mrs. Goppel	5 50
Mrs. Powell	4 00
Mrs. Forman	1 00
Total	\$41 20

This statement shows that the Friendly Help Association is in a very satisfactory financial position, but these figures give no idea of the work done by the society. The receipts were \$865.15, and the expenditure amounted to \$865.15, leaving a balance of \$23 quite clear. The association has had many more subscriptions this year than any previous one, forty kind friends donating to the society liberal contributions of money. The grant given by the provincial government is solely for the use of one man. The committee wish they could persuade more of the citizens to take the same course. There are only six contributors now, and only one of them has filled her card, and she collected more than the card called for. Mrs. Altkman, Mrs. Gill, Miss Lawson, Mrs. Goppel, Mrs. Powell and Mrs. Forman are the collectors. The running expenses have been heavier than any other year, as a new stove had to be bought, and the room cleaned at least fortnightly. The committee wish to express their thanks to Mr. Charles Kent, who kindly audits the accounts every month, and also made out the statement of receipts and expenditures.

MARY R. LAWSON,
Honorary Treasurer.

ROYAL CORRESPONDENT.

The King Acknowledges the Receipt of Alexander Beeg's Review of Boundary Question.

Alexander Beeg, author of the History of British Columbia, in receipt of letters from all parts of Canada asking for his review on the Alaskan boundary question, which was published in pamphlet form in the latter part of February.

The letter which the author values most of all is one from King Edward VII. The King writes to the King, to Lord Salisbury, to the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain and other noted personages in England. Mr. Beeg also wrote to the King calling his attention to a letter contained in the review written to the Earl of Hesse by King George IV when the appointment of Stratford Canning as British plenipotentiary at the convention held in St. Petersburg relative to the Alaskan boundary.

The letter Mr. Beeg received is sent from the Privy Purse office, Buckingham Palace, and is as follows:

"The private secretary is commanded by the King to thank Mr. Alexander Beeg for his letter of the 13th ult., and for the pamphlet that accompanied it."
25th March, 1901."

REMARKABLE CURES OF RHEUMATISM.

From the Vindicator, Litchford, N. C.

The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts affected and resting instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

THIN CHILD

If a child is thin, let him take a little of Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil.

Some children like it too well; begin with a little. A half or quarter-teaspoonful is enough at first, if the stomach is weak; but increase, as you find the stomach will bear.

The effect is: the little one takes on strength; gets hungry; eats and is happy; gets fat—he ought to be fat—and gets healthy.

We'll send you a little to try if you like.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

Unique Experience

Nomites Drift to Sea on Ice Floe, Without Food or Shelter.

Eloping Couple From Sacramento Pursued by Prominent Californian.

Carried to sea on an iceberg, with forebodings of a terrible fate continually haunting them in brief is a tale of endurance and hardship told by F. G. Kimball and a companion, a chief clerk in a railway office at Nome.

According to the story told in northern papers received by the Danube, which arrived here on Saturday night, the two men were over two days on the ice floe, during which they had no food or shelter from the cold, penetrating winds of the Arctic. Fortunately, when they had been out 48 hours without food or shelter, slowly drifting out to sea, the wind changed, and coming strong, soon blew the ice floe to the shore, liberating the unwilling navigators.

The Danube brings news that the discovery on Bear and the stocks in the Porcupine country will be actively worked this spring. Winter development in the Bear creek district is now on a full scale, and a number of claims are being sunk a shaft to bedrock, which as yet has never been done. It could easily have been accomplished last fall, it is said, had not water stopped all work after a certain depth was reached.

The latest advices from Jack Wade creek are those furnished by E. G. Tennant, one of the owners of the Monda mine property. 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AN IMPOWENT OPPOSITION.

Mr. Borden makes a more presentable figure at the head of the Conservative party than did Sir Charles Tupper. His speeches read beautifully. There is none of the blimpish arrogance characteristic of the Tupper style. But as yet there is no evidence that he has regained the mastery over the turbulent spirits within the party. There are still rumblings which portend that any time there may be an upheaval which will leave this man of quiet speech stranded and a partaker of the fate of Sir Mackenzie Bowell. As there are no spoils to fight for and the restoration of the party to power seems a very remote possibility a policy of drift may be pursued. In the course of time the disturbing elements may be eliminated, the men who would be leaders may disappear and the peace and harmony essential to political success once more reign. In the meantime the antagonisms aroused by the selection of Mr. Borden as leader have been aggravated by his choice of a successor to Mr. Foster. Mr. Osler is a sound financier, not a juggler with figures, as was his predecessor, and he frankly confessed that it was an exceedingly difficult matter to find fault with the annual budget statement of Mr. Fielding. The country is prosperous, the revenue buoyant, trade is growing at an unprecedented rate, great public works have been carried on, nearly two million dollars have been spent in assisting the Mother Country in a war which but for the co-operation of the colonies threatened to involve her in serious complications, loans have been converted which involved an immediate cost of nearly a million, but which in the end will save the country double that amount, all at a comparatively insignificant addition to the debt of the country.

As it is no easy matter to point to a weak point in the policy of the government generally, we find Mr. Borden personally directing the guns of the opposition at the preference extended to Great Britain. Some of his followers hang back as if doubting the wisdom of taking up such a position, but the manufacturing section is with him. The latter gentlemen are quite willing to give most convincing oral testimony of their loyalty and to shout traitor when it suits their purpose, but they do not propose to compete with the manufacturers of Great Britain even with protection amounting to about 25 per cent, and the cost of the carriage of goods about three or four thousand miles in their favor. It will have no effect upon the attitude of the Conservative leader and his followers to read the following from the speech of Sir Richard Cartwright in defence of the government's preferential policy: "But I am speaking of facts, and the facts are that at the present moment our trade with Great Britain per head is enormously in excess of our trade with the United States. We sell to the 40,000,000 people of Great Britain about \$90,000,000 worth, and we sell to the 76,000,000 in the United States something like \$80,000,000 worth of goods per annum. In other words, every man, woman and child in Great Britain takes from us about \$2.50 per head, whereas in the United States they take from us only 80 cents per head, and perhaps if the matter were looked into it would hardly equal that sum. . . . When hon. gentlemen tell me that we receive no substantial benefit from the preference we have extended to the people of Great Britain, I take leave to differ from them altogether. When hon. gentlemen say, as I think I heard one hon. gentleman say the other night, that not one man in a thousand in England knows anything or cares anything about the preferential tariff, I can tell him that there is probably not one man in a thousand in mercantile England who does not know and appreciate, and was not exceedingly impressed with the fact that Canada alone of all the world had given a distinct preference to British goods in her markets. Sir, this is not a sentimental question. Great Britain stands in the position of a very wealthy customer, who has the power of choosing between four or five rival competitors for her goods, nearly equal in quality, nearly equal in appearance. If you have the goodwill of that customer you may rely upon it, and the people of Canada may rely upon it, that you will get a preference in the trade of that customer. In dealing with such a customer it is of great importance to have his goodwill, and our people are finding it so more and more every day."

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 25-5 a. m.—During Sunday an easterly storm rapidly approached this Coast, and has since travelled eastward to Alberta. This disturbance caused a moderate southeasterly gale with rain in the vicinity of Victoria, while at the entrance of the Straits of Fuca and on the Coast the winds were only moderate in force. Heavy rains have occurred on the Coast, and snow is falling over eastern Oregon. From the Rockies to Manitoba the weather is comparatively mild.

Forecasts. For 26 hours ending p.m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong winds, mostly east and south, unsettled and mild, with occasional rains. Lower Mainland—Winds mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and mild, with rain.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.75; temperature, 43; minimum, 41; wind, S miles S. E.; rain, 11; weather, cloudy. New Westminster—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 38; minimum, 35; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, 30; weather, cloudy. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 34; minimum, 34; wind, 6 miles S. E.; weather, fair. San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 52; minimum, 50; wind, 6 miles S. W.; rain, trace; weather, rain.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Are You a Buffalo? Try new White Label Blue Ribbon Tea. The Sterling Dry Goods House has removed to 39 Government Street. Fresh oysters daily: per gallon, \$3; qts., 75c. Apply New England Hotel. Free Delivery of Bicycle Repair Work. Rambler Cycles, Weller Bros. You will find it in the B. C. Guide; 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C. A meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jubilee Hospital will be held tomorrow afternoon in the Driard hotel, commencing at 3 o'clock. The annual sacred concert of the Ladies' Aid Society, of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, will be held this evening, when an excellent programme will be rendered. The annual meeting of the Natural History Society will be held this evening, when reports will be received and the election of officers will take place. All members are requested to be in attendance.

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Rev. Idrisu Jones will deliver the first of his lectures upon "Britain's Imperial Destiny Based on Her Hebrew Origin" to-night in the lecture hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Tomorrow evening he will speak in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian church. The admission to the lectures is free, a collection being taken at the close.

At the meeting of the city council this evening several very important subjects will be considered. Railway matters will come up for discussion under the motion of Ald. Yates to have a public meeting called for the purpose of protecting Victoria's interests. The petition for a paid fire department will also come before the council. A petition asking that a by-law be submitted to the people for the raising of \$50,000 for building a high school will, it is expected, be presented also.

The bazaar to be given under the auspices of the ladies of Centennial Methodist church, in aid of their Sunday school extension fund, on Wednesday evening, promises to be a very enjoyable and profitable affair. Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul, will open the bazaar, and in the evening a splendid programme will be rendered by some of Prof. Wickens's pupils. The hours of sale will be from 3 to 5 in the afternoon, and 7 to 10 in the evening. Refreshments will be provided.

Northern advices received by the Danube on Saturday evening state that part of the outfit landed at Port Simpson to build the branch line to Hazelton included a crew, which set to work on March 4th to establish a pony relay service to Hazelton, which will put the big outfit in close communication with the outside world and incidentally the North will be the same, for steamers from the North can call at that port with telegrams from Skagway and the Yukon, and the pony relay will do the rest. The work of perfecting the relay system is under the personal direction of the engineer in charge, assisted by young Ned Charleston. How long it will take to cover the distance between the two places is as yet problematic. The distance is something over 120 miles, so that to cover the distance in a day will keep the ponies on a gallop. J. A. Gallahan, formerly Dominion operator at Cariboo, has been appointed operator at Simpson.

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JOHNS BROS. 259 Douglas Street.

A coroner's inquest is being held this afternoon to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the death of Sydney John Churchill, whose body was found in the harbor on Saturday morning.

The regular weekly organ recital was given last evening in St. John's church. The programme was carried off very successfully, and in spite of the inclemency of the weather a large number of people were in attendance.

In Chambers this morning Mr. Justice Walker heard the following applications: Kirkpatrick et al v. Molly Gibson Manufacturing Co. Application for final judgment dismissed with costs; Byers et al v. Molly Gibson Manufacturing Co. A similar application to the above, order made.

This evening the regular meeting of Banner lodge, No. 6, A. O. U. W., will be held. The meeting will be opened at 8 o'clock sharp, and business of considerable importance will be transacted. The society's representative to the Grand Lodge will give his report, and a large number of new members will be initiated.

To-night at 8 o'clock at Pioneer hall a meeting of carpenters and joiners will be held for the purpose of further uniting the trade in this city. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, and will be addressed by prominent members of the society and others. All carpenters in the city are invited to be present.

In the police court this morning four drunks were called. One failed to appear, forfeiting his bail of \$10; two were fined \$5 each or 10 days' imprisonment; and the fourth was fined \$2.50 or five days' imprisonment. A violation of the bicycle-by-law cost a wheelman \$6. The Eli Craigie case of violation of the hired vehicle-by-law was adjourned until April 1st.

The death occurred yesterday at the family residence, 12 First street, of Chas. J. E. Casleton, deceased was 26 years of age and a native of Victoria. He was employed for some time at Thos. Earle's as shipping clerk. He leaves a widow and an infant child six months old, as well as a father, four brothers and four sisters to mourn his loss. All are residents of this city with the exception of a brother, Arthur, of Seattle and a sister Mrs. J. L. Smith, of Nelson, both of whom are on their way here to attend the funeral, which takes place on Wednesday afternoon from the residence at 2 o'clock.

Dr. Withycombe, vice-director of the Oregon Experiment Station at Corvallis, has been good enough to present the department of agriculture with a sack of seed of Dwarf Essex rape, raised by himself at the station, and is therefore guaranteed pure. Mr. Anderson will be glad to distribute this seed amongst those of our farmers who are desirous of trying this fodder plant. Dr. Withycombe, in common with all who have had any experience with rape, declare it to be the very best soiling crop and is without exception the most profitable and best for general feeding purposes, dairy cows excepted. F. W. Hodson says it is the best producer of pork and mutton he knows of.

The charter for a branch of the Navy League to be established here is expected to arrive at any time. In a letter received by the honorary secretary of the proposed British Columbia branch from Capt. W. C. Crutcheley, R. N. R., of London, England, secretary of the Navy League, the following reference is made: "The application for the warrant of incorporation of the branch will be brought before the executive committee on Monday afternoon next. You may consequently expect to hear by the next mail that the necessary authorization has been given, and that all the necessary documents and papers are on their way to you." The letter is dated March 7th, so that the letter authorizing the branch should arrive shortly.

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A Few Words To Pro-Boers

Free State Burgher Writes About the War in South Africa.

He Says 'Independence' Would Mean Civil War in Six Months.

V. M. writes to the Weekly Cape Times as follows: Much has been written and more said during the last few months as to the settlement question in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, and it is a great wonder to me that no one seems actually to grasp the vital point of the situation, and I cannot possibly believe that anyone in their proper senses, who have the real welfare of the Afrikaner at heart, can have the hardihood to urge for one moment the withdrawal of the British troops from the conquered states, or a continued resistance on the part of the Federals.

Talkers and Coffee Kettles. Yet the so-called pro-Boers and their press are urging this. I say so-called pro-Boers, as being a real Boer myself, and having fought and bled doing my duty to my country in obedience to our laws, the only man I call pro-Boer is one who is a Boer in heart and in mind. We had more than enough talkers and coffee-kettles men of our own, without the least help from outside in this quarter. Your pro-Boers in the Cape Colony, Mr. Editor, have proved themselves just what we Federalists always knew them to be, empty vessels made of the most sounding metal—that is all, as far as our good-will is concerned. They speak of our independence; but if they knew anything about the meaning of the word independence, then they would know that we never had such a thing.

The Curse of Nepotism. In the Transvaal we had a nepotism of Krugers, Bloks, Wolmarans, Schultzes and Koks, with a sprinkling of minor names. If any man does not know this, then let him never open his mouth about Transvaal affairs, as I can assure him he knows less than nothing, and although he may find fools to listen to him, any most ignorant burgher would tickle him at once. In the Free State we had model laws, but they were also subject to the same almighty nepotism, just as in the Transvaal, reaching from the president to the poorest "rede-rechter" and governing road-maker. It is true we had a strong opposition party, in fact, a majority, as proved by the 1892 presidential election in the Free State; as had the closer union question ever gone to the people, according to the constitution, then the vote of the burghers would have voted against it.

Intolerance and Vaccination. Your may ask why we do not more. I reply because of our innate intolerance and vaccination—the cause of the Afrikaner—and if anyone knows us, they know that these were, and are, our curse, and have brought us losses and shame in every walk of life. Too lazy to take the proper interest in politics, too lazy to question our leaders, too lazy to even think of trying to break the strong family combinations, knowing ourselves too lazy to exert ourselves when the tug would come; vacillating in putting the day for the struggle off, yet certain it had to be done. As we said: "Wait till Pentecost dies; then we will show them." Others put their trust in our great President Brand's well-known utterance: "Alles sal recht kome"; but how, or when, or through whose endeavors, were questions not worth considering. Oom Jan said so; that was enough.

Boer Against Boer. There were two parties in the Republics. Two parties, with far more pronounced feelings than we see anywhere outside, were our great pro-Boer friends. Yet we gave them signs and then they do not remember that only one hasty shot at Trichardtsfontein in 1881 to the church question would have plunged the Transvaal into a bloody civil war, one shot in Pretoria, when it was known that Joubert had the majority of votes for freedom in 1892? Men were armed, and a shot was nothing. Do they remember hearing of the case of the State v. Gibson and others for "lese majeste" in Senekal a few years back? Had Judge Hertzog given any other judgment, there would have been a sure revolution and probable bloodshed if you get the stubbornness of all the mixed breeds. This war has proved that conclusively. Once awakened, whether right or wrong, they reason no more. This is apparently a well-known fact to our friends the pro-Boers; or can it be in ignorance that they are playing on that string of our destruction?

The Price of Independence. I can assure them that, were the British troops withdrawn from the Republics to-morrow, we would have a civil war there within six months. A war of bitter hatred and direct results. That is what our friends are agitating for. I do not care what they say to the contrary. I fear no criticism, as I know what I write, and have yet to meet the man who knows South Africa better than I do. I have met many who think they do, but only the real Boer knows the Boer. No one else. Our real fighting burgher went to war with the British, even as the high-sounding little of the root of the question; but we soon found out, and our hearts were filled with bitterness against our leaders, who had forced the war on us through Hamlet's bungling and false pride, and then left us to be maimed and killed, while they feasted and pocketed our money when Skater's and the high-sounding little of the men who have suffered, and they were not Kruger men. Suppose for a moment that we got our status changed, these things would be ruled by the Kruger nepotism again?

To Fight Krugerism. By our laws we must vote. Well

knowing how the Krugers behaved in the war, I know they would vote on every point. Their votes are living, while ours are lying in their graves, killed in a bad cause—and their poor widows and children have no vote. I assure you, Mr. Editor, and I assure the world, there would be an appeal—the only appeal, we would have—to the Kaiser, Kruger and Steyn and their satellites would never give up their hold on us without a struggle, and we men who have fought, and are still fighting, who have fought, and are still fighting, would not have them at any price. Could our burghers still in the field know this, a speedy settlement would be arranged. We knew soon after the war began that we were fighting for Kruger, and his Hollanders, and we also knew that we intended putting an end to them as soon as peace was proclaimed, after all the promised interventions from other powers had come to pass, and every sensible man who knows us at all, and gives the matter his earnest consideration, knows that we were fighting, and are still fighting, for a certain return of the hated corruption, with a certain civil war within a short period of the peace proclamations, if we attain the status.

'Save Us From Our Friends.' This is what our friends and their press are advising for our good. They know nothing about us or our country beyond our cart-and-wagon-buying capabilities, and perhaps our gullibility in that line. I tell them that even our blood is on their heads, and if they will really wish us well, let them first know more of what they say, and write or leave the matter severely alone. It may be a sporting matter for sedulous contractors for them who live in every comfort, but for us who suffer the privations of commando, and who die leaving widows and children to more in poverty and misery, it is the most vital matter. Sympathetic and bombastic not, our own dual or head and heart. Let them desire, for God's sake.

THE ROD. FISH PLentiful. A large number of local fishermen went out on Saturday and Sunday. In most cases good baskets resulted. On Saturday morning parties could be seen on bicycles bound for Prospect, Fike Long and the "Thebes" lakes. A large number also went to Millstream. Of those coming from Millstream the biggest basket was 70 trout. From the "Thebes" lake very good catches were made, and a local fisherman who tried this lake claims to have caught the largest fish of the day. These coming from Prospect and Long lakes are reported big catches.

BASKETBALL. NEXT FRIDAY'S GAME. The game between the Y. M. C. A. of Vancouver and the J. B. A. A. team takes place on Friday evening in the drill hall. The Fifth Regiment band will give a concert in connection with the game. The Y. M. C. A. team is one of the strongest organizations of the kind in the Terminal City. Ed. Burns, who formerly played in the Wasps, when that team was in existence, and later occupied a position on the J. B. A. A. team, is captain of the Y. M. C. A. team. J. B. A. A. team will be picked from the following: Lorimer, Simpson, Finlayson, Cuzner, Galbraith, Smith, Janion and Johnson.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. WON BY DEFAULT. Of the three games which were scheduled to take place only one was played. The Junior League game between the North Ward school and Boys' Brigade teams did not take place on account of the non-appearance of the North Ward team. This is the second time the North Ward boys have not turned up. Considerable dissatisfaction exists among the members of the Boys' Brigade team, who claim that the South Park and other teams have members on their team who do not belong to the school. They consider this as unfair, as they state that the "Boys' Brigade" team is wholly composed of members of the brigade. Next year an attempt will be made to have a law enacted providing that a team entering from any school or club shall be composed only of members of that school or club.

VICTORIA WINS. The Victoria Senior and the Columbia teams tried conclusions on Saturday at Beacon Hill, and after a hard fought game the Victoria team ran out winners by four goals to two.

VICTORIA KICKED OFF WITH A STRONG WIND in their faces, and worked the ball well down the field. W. York intercepted, and the leather was returned to the Columbia front rank, who bombarded the Victoria goal for a few moments. It looked very much as if they would score, but Schwengers robbed Berkely when the latter was in a dangerous position, and cleared the ball from the Victoria goal. Johnson gain possession of the ball, dribbled down the wing and sent in a beautiful shot. Marshall fisted out, but S. Lorimer met the ball and banged it through the Columbia goal. From the kick off the Columbia eleven went away with a dash, Wilson being very conspicuous. Goward relieved the pressure, and Mt. L. York in her down the wing and centered, but Shanks, with a fine kick, sent the leather up to Berkely. He in turn centered and Hart scored for the Columbias. A few moments later half time arrived, with both teams having a goal to their credit. On resuming play Victoria made a rush on the Columbia goal. Richardson sent in a pretty shot, but Marshall saved in fine style. Finlayson kicked clear, but Schwengers drove it back again, and J. Lorimer pounced upon the leather and scored number one for the Columbias. The Victoria goal for a few moments. It looked very much as if they would score, but Schwengers robbed Berkely when the latter was in a dangerous position, and cleared the ball from the Victoria goal. Johnson gain possession of the ball, dribbled down the wing and sent in a beautiful shot. Marshall fisted out, but S. Lorimer met the ball and banged it through the Columbia goal. From the kick off the Columbia eleven went away with a dash, Wilson being very conspicuous. Goward relieved the pressure, and Mt. L. York in her down the wing and centered, but Shanks, with a fine kick, sent the leather up to Berkely. He in turn centered and Hart scored for the Columbias. A few moments later half time arrived, with both teams having a goal to their credit. On resuming play Victoria made a rush on the Columbia goal. Richardson sent in a pretty shot, but Marshall saved in fine style. Finlayson kicked clear, but Schwengers drove it back again, and J. Lorimer pounced upon the leather and scored number one for the Columbias.

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to Wilson, who passed to Berkely, and the latter scored with a fine shot, and S. Lorimer scored two more goals for full time, leaving Victoria winners by 4 goals to 2. J. C. Clark gave good satisfaction as referee.

S. LORIMER INJURED. An accident occurred in Saturday's match between the Columbias and the Victoria team which will deprive the Victorians of one of their best players. Sam Lorimer, in making a shot, in some way twisted his leg, fracturing his knee. He will be unable to play football any more this season. He played centre forward on the Victoria team, and has filled that position with great success over since occupying it. His loss will be greatly felt by Victoria in the league matches to be played.

STANDING TO DATE. The following is the standing in the tourney for the Robins trophy up-to-date:

Table with columns: Name, Won, Lost, P.G. A. Gonnason, 25, 6, 79-23; G. Hunter, 20, 7, 71-23; W. J. Mayo, 18, 16, 59-53; J. C. Handy, 16, 14, 58-61; C. C. McKenzie, 13, 15, 58; A. P. Gibson, 12, 11, 57-54; Capt. Mitchell, 10, 15, 55-54; Wm. Marchant, 10, 14, 53-53; B. J. Perry, 10, 16, 50; W. J. Sutton, 10, 14, 48-48; R. Williams, 12, 13, 48-48; C. A. Lombard, 14, 17, 45-45; C. W. Rhodes, 10, 16, 38-45; J. L. Wilmer, 10, 19, 35; A. S. Jones, 11, 21, 34-13; R. H. Horse, 11, 21, 34-13; T. T. Johnston, 7, 25, 21-21.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH. New York, March 23.—James L. Cope, Jr., secretary of the British Chess Club, London, has informed Secretary Chadwick, of the Brooklyn club, that the international chess match will be played on April 10th and 20th, and that the Englishmen have asked Prof. Rice, of this city, to act as their representative during the contest at Brooklyn.

TIDE TABLE. Victoria, B. C., March, 1901. (Based by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

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HAMLET'S "TWO BROTHERS." The pictures of his father and uncle to which Hamlet called his mother's attention were not miniatures, Jacob Riis tells us in the January Century, but portraits on the tapestry in Kronborg Castle.

It is a perfectly safe guess, and our actors, in making use of pocket miniatures of the two kings, are sadly out of joint with the facts. The arras through which Hamlet stabs Polonius was in fact a picture-gallery of Danish kings down to Frederick II, who designed it. We not only have his contract with Hans Knipsper, with directions for the portraits of the one hundred and eleven kings of whom there was a record, including himself and his son Christian IV; his order of September, 1585, when the tapestry was hung in the completed castle, to let Thyge Brabe, his "man and servant," have access to it, that he might the more intelligently publish the story of the monarchs, "according to the names and order of the portraits on the tapestry we have made in our hall in our palace of Kronborg"; and a description of the "great chamber," by the same William Segar who objected to the roasting salutes. He writes that it is "hanged with tapestry of fresh colored silk without gold, wherein all the Danish kings are express in antique habits according to their several times with their arms and inscriptions containing to complete the evidence, victories." But all their conjectures, the arras itself, or what is left of it, is still to be seen in the Copenhagen Museum of Antiquities. It was twice in peril of destruction by fire, once when Kronborg was all but wrecked in 1629, and again in the palace of Frederiksborg when that was burned to the ground in 1859. The remnant shows fifteen of the one hundred and eleven kings, from Valdemar the Victorious, whose father Saxo served, to the second Frederick.

BRITISH SHIP "LYNTO" JAMES, Master. This vessel will commence discharging cargo at the outer wharf on Thursday, March 22nd, and following days. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading at the office of the undersigned, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods.

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Lightning Express To the North. Post mail steamers leave on under for Ketchikan, Juneau, and Skagway: STR. VICTORIAN March 24, April 1, 13, 25. STR. CITY OF SEATTLE March 29, April 8, 19, 28. (And alternately every five days thereafter.)

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FOR ALASKA. LEAVE SEATTLE 9 P.M. Cottage City, March 11, 23, April 10, 25, May 10. Al-Ki, March 8, 21, April 5, 20. State of California, May 5, 20. City of Topeka, May 15.

Victoria & Sidney RAILWAY. Trains will run between Victoria and Sidney as follows: DAILY: Leave Victoria at 7:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. Leave Sidney at 8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

Free Cure For Men. A new remedy which cures every man's weakness, varicocele, etc., and restores the organs to strength and vigor. Dr. W. W. WOOD, 227 Third Building, Detroit, Mich., gladly sends free the receipt of this wonderful remedy to order that every weak man may cure himself at home.

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The Royal Commission

Session Was Resumed This Morning and Three Witnesses Were Examined.

Carpenters, Joiners and Ship Builders Will Give Their Evidence To-Morrow.

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His main objection to Chinese was that they superseded white labor. Their principal creditable feature was that they seldom lost a day's work through drunkenness.

Asked as to whether they assisted in the development of the country, he replied that in one way such as fisheries and clearing of land, they did, but in other ways they were a detriment.

To Mr. Munn, he stated that if Chinese were not here, cheap white labor in some branches might come down to \$1 per day. Of course he did not think it desirable to inaugurate conditions whereby a white man would be compelled to work for that price, but he preferred to see them here at that than Chinese under present circumstances.

To Mr. Foley, he believed the expenditure of money by white people who would come into the country would remunerate those who were affected detrimentally through the exclusion of the Chinese. He was of the opinion that their immigration prevented that of white people. Their presence had a tendency to diminish the price of white labor in all branches of industry.

As to the Japanese, he characterized them more formidable competitors than the Chinese. The former would not only compete with the white laborers, but eventually with other branches as well. While not approving of the present conditions, he took advantage of them in employing Japanese help.

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He would object to other immigration than that of Japanese and Chinese, if it decreased the rate of labor to the same extent. In fact he favored the prohibition of the immigration of all cheap foreign labor. The Chinese were more objectionable than Italians, because the latter assimilated the ways of this country.

The next witness, George Jeeves, stated that in 1881 the entire laboring and building trade was in the hands of Chinese. The white mechanics advocated their exclusion, and shortly afterwards the bricklayers and stone masons formed a union to shorten the time of labor to 30 hours per week, and exclude the Chinese from employment.

The organization failed, and another union was formed in 1887, when the contractors were urged to replace the Chinese with white men. This was done, and labor was plentiful. From 1881 to 1887 he noted as foreman contractor and sometimes had under him from 15 to 18

Chinese laborers. Wages were from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per day. Subsequent to the removal of Chinese from employment, this labor was taken by white men at a price ranging from \$2 to \$2.50. In the mason trade many young men who started as hod carriers eventually became mechanics, attaining great proficiency. The witness mentioned instances in which young men who commenced in inferior positions had become very proficient and successful in their trade. This would not have been possible had not white labor superseded that of the Chinese. Until last year the white men retained their status.

As to the expediency of further restrictions, the witness did not favor any tax, but advocated entire exclusion of Chinese, as he did not believe they would ever become British subjects. He had never seen any tendency on their part to conform to this country's customs. If further immigration was restricted he could not say whether any industries could be detrimentally affected. He was not in a position to speak for canneries or lumbering.

To Mr. Foley he said he had employed hundreds of white men here, and found them fully as reliable as those of the East and England. If a prohibition was taken on the Question of Excluding Chinese, he believed the percentage in favor would be 80 per cent. In the near future he believed they would encroach in the mercantile business, pursuits as well as that of the tailor.

To Commissioner Munn, he said if Chinese were not here their places as at present would be taken by white girls. At present no white girl would consent to compete with Chinese for domestic service. He believed sufficient Chinese could be obtained in this province. To Mr. Foley witness did not think that Eastern girls would come here for domestic service at \$25 or \$30 per month unless the Chinese in this employment were excluded. With white labor witness always was able to compete with contractors who employed Chinese labor. The white laborer was paid \$2 or \$2.50 and Chinaman 75 cents to \$1.25. A white man could not support a family on the wage paid to a Chinaman.

To Mr. Wilson, witness said he never experienced any difficulty in obtaining sufficient white labor to do his work. The employment of white labor did not diminish the amount of work—he could afford to do work cheaper with white labor than the men for whom he formerly worked could with Chinese. A good white laborer at \$2.50 per day could do twice as much work as a Chinaman.

To Mr. Bradburn, he stated that when the union took action there were 50 Chinese in building employment, some of whom returned home to China. None of them returned because they were driven out of the business.

He knew of one Chinaman who earned \$1.00 per week, returned home, purchased land, erected a house and came back to make more money. He knew nothing about the Japanese. P. S. Hussey, superintendent of provincial police, the next witness, after outlining his duties, stated he had had considerable contact with Chinese during his twenty-five years' experience in police work. His experiences showed that the Chinese compared in many ways favorably with other people, sober, diligent and industrious. Morally they ranked their own business, and behaved very well. In regard to their persons they were clean, but as to their mode of living—congregating together—they were inclined to disregard sanitary regulations. He had never known of any epidemic arising out of their uncleanliness.

The objection against them was their cheap labor. White men could not afford to work for the wages paid by Chinese. A workingman could not do so and support a family decently. To that extent in certain branches of industry they superseded white labor. About 900 Chinese were preferred to see their.

Places Filled by White People. The Chinese considered China their home and looked forward to returning there. He certainly did not think it to the interest of the country at large that they should supersede white labor. If further immigration was restricted he believed there were sufficient Chinese in the province at present to fill whatever demand there was for them. The Chinese lived economically in all respects. If there were no Chinese here more white people would come. If they were denied their own business, and had no domestic employment here. At present it was difficult to obtain a white girl. A good Chinese cook would earn from \$25 to \$30 per month.

To Mr. Munn he stated girls would probably have to come from the East were the Chinese excluded. Even with the Chinese here he believed white people were better off than those of the East. There, competition was keener. This was a new country, but in course of time would become like other countries. There was large seed competition with the East in this market; not much with England, but a considerable competition from all over the United States.

As to Italians and Greeks who engaged in market gardening in California, he was informed that they were almost as bad as Chinese. He admitted if the prohibitive tax was imposed Chinese would be between here and China would be decreased; as well as Chinese importations from across the Pacific.

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The Cass Secured

Negotiations For Ship Reported to Have Been Closed By G. P. N. Company.

New Steamer Will Probably Have to Be Built For Vancouver Service.

It is now definitely decided that the steamer Cass, of which a description has been given heretofore, will be added to the C. P. N. fleet, having been purchased by the company within the past few days. She is now at Shanghai, and will be immediately brought across, arriving here in a few days.

As to the improved Vancouver service, Capt. Troup stated that he has been looking about for a suitable steamer for the route, but so far has not located one. Those which might be suitable are held at a price greatly excessive of their value. In consequence he thinks it will be necessary to build one. The passenger rates to and from Vancouver are to be reduced, while charges will be made in the local office. Freight and passenger departments will be removed to the Terminal City, the freight department being incorporated in that of G. W. Peters, A. G. F. A., of the C. P. R. at Vancouver, and the passenger business in the department of E. J. Coyle, A. G. F. A., of the C. P. R. at the Terminal City.

CARGO SHIPS ARRIVE. Bark Lydenberg, with an immense cargo of English merchandise, and the American four-masted schooner James Ralph, with mill for the Victoria chemical works, came to the outer wharf this morning.

The Lydenberg, the former after an exceptionally long voyage from Liverpool, and the latter in tow of a tug which brought her over from Port Angeles. The Lydenberg has long been expected, and special anxiety was felt regarding her inasmuch as she has large quantities of cannery supplies aboard, which are now needed. She has been 180 days on the trip, but having had trouble with her crew was obliged to put into Pennington, and this delayed her just one week. Four of the unruly members of her crew were put ashore and imprisoned for bad conduct and insubordination. They breached some of the vessel's cargo, and under the influence of liquor had on different occasions to be put in irons.

The James Ralph made the passage here from Tatal in 55 days. She is a clipper built craft, and with the big four-masted barks Lynton and Lydenberg makes an imposing shipping scene at the outer wharf.

NORTH PACIFIC ARRIVES. Steamer North Pacific, looking spick and span, arrived this afternoon on her initial run on the Sound-Victoria route. She has been put on the service in place of the Selkirk, which is now undergoing repairs, and which will be ready to leave the wharf in a few days.

The big steam collier, which holds the record for coal carrying on the Pacific Coast, sailed for Port Los Angeles on Sunday. She has 10,200 tons of Wellington coal on board, which she loaded at Lydenburg in 40 hours.

STEAMER DELPHIN sails for Skagway tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock. The Cottage City sails the following morning, and the Danube on Wednesday night. R. M. S. Empress of Japan left Yokohama for Victoria on March 22nd.

The examination for assayers' certificates commenced this morning in the assay department in the parliament buildings, and will be continued throughout the ensuing week. There are nine candidates, two from Victoria and the remainder from different parts of the province. The examiners are W. F. Robertson, president; Thos. Kiddie, Van And; W. J. Sutton and H. Carmichael.

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SEPARATE TENDERS Sealed and endorsed, will be received by the undersigned up to 3 p. m. on Monday, April 2 for the following supplies for the City Electric Lighting Department: 1. 25,000 lb. by 12 in. Copper Coated Carbons 2. 25,000 7-16 in. by 12 in. Copper Coated Carbons 3. 25,000 7-16 in. by 8 in. Copper Coated Carbons 4. 25,000 Clear Arc Globes. Specifications for Carbons and Globes can be seen at the office of the undersigned. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. WM. W. NORTHCOOT, Purchasing Agent, City Hall, March 25th, 1901.

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