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TO BIND CLOSER TIES OF EMPIRE

HON. G. WYNDHAM SPEAKS IN LONDON

Co-operation Necessary to Reinforce Policy, Says Former Minister.

(Times Leased Wire.)

London, Dec. 9.—Speaking at the Constitutional Club last night, Hon. George Wyndham, former chief secretary for Ireland, concluding, said:

"We know we must co-operate with the sister states for the unity of the Empire, in order to reinforce our policy, both with respect to strengthening our defence and enlarging our opportunities for employment. Attempts are made in each new tariff devised by other countries to detach our sister states from the Mother Land, but the time will shortly return when we shall be privileged to confer with the prime ministers of all other states of the Empire.

"At the next Imperial conference are we to be dumb? Is the mother of the Empire, in welcoming her children around the ancestral hearth to appear as an aged crone, mumbling incomprehensible references to a past that is finished, and in which they had no share; too blind to see them; too deaf to hear them; too crippled to lead them in the march of our common destiny? Let us rather be able to say that our youth will be renewed by their love." (Cheers.)

CABLE RATES.

London, Dec. 9.—Hon. R. Lemieux, postmaster-general for Canada, sailed yesterday on the White Star liner Oceanic. Whatever success he may have met with over here will not be known until he has arrived in Canada. It is believed that the day of a state-owned cable is not far off, but before that arrives cheaper cable rates are very likely.

STEAMER BURNS ON LAKE ERIE

CAPTAIN AND THIRTEEN OF CREW MISSING

Two Seamen of Anchor Liner Clarion Known to Be Dead.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Cleveland, O., Dec. 9.—Two seamen are dead, and the captain and twelve are missing, following the burning of the Anchor line freighter Clarion, off Point Pelee, Ontario, at midnight.

Six members of the crew, who were taken from the burning ship by the steamer Hanna, brought the news of the disaster to Cleveland at daybreak. The survivors suffered severely from exposure, but are expected to recover. According to the story they told, Capt. E. J. Bell, of Ogdensburg, New York, with twelve members of the crew, left the doomed vessel in a light steel lifeboad. The seas on the lake were running high and it is feared they were lost.

Seven men were left on the Clarion when the larger party took to the boat. They endeavored to escape in a yawl, but the frail craft capsized.

Six of the men succeeded in regaining the Clarion's decks, but the seventh was drowned. They then took refuge on the burning ship, retreating before the advancing fire until they were discovered by the Hanna's look out.

The fire started soon after the Clarion passed Amhurstberg, Ont. A gale was blowing and immense waves swept the decks of the doomed vessel. The snow was so thick it was impossible to see any distance, and on this account the Point Pelee life-savers did not see the distress signals displayed by the Clarion.

The steamer H. P. Pope, one of the first lake steamers to be equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus, sighted the burning steamer and flashed the news to the wireless station here.

The tug Hackett was sent in search of the burning vessel as soon as news of the disaster had been received, and for hours patrolled the coast without finding the burning boat. The tug was finally compelled to put back to Amhurstburg, the crew being exhausted. The Detroit life-saving crew are this morning searching for the missing men.

The Clarion was a wooden steamer 240 feet long with a 26-foot beam, and was built in 1881. She has been in the coal and freight carrying service.

IN THE SCRUM.

H. B. T.—"It's all very well for Dick to say that the thing is to STAY in, but the big thing with me just now is to GET in."

G. T. P. WILL BUILD ITS WHARVES AT ONCE

Tenders Called For Erection of Warehouses and All Necessary Work on Waterfront of Company in Victoria.

The G. T. P. is to begin active work on their valuable water front property in Victoria. In another column appears an advertisement calling for tenders for the construction of the wharves and the warehouses necessary to their business in this port. The tenders are to be filed with G. A. MacNicholl, purchasing agent of the G. T. P., in Vancouver before noon December 16th.

The necessary excavation work is to be tendered for, together with trestles and warehouses. There is considerable earth and rock to be taken out in carrying out the plans of the company. Pile wharves will be put in and warehouses erected in line with the plans filed with the Dominion government and with the local government. Sometime ago the Times gave a description of the proposed works which are to provide commodious accommodation to shipping.

Located in splendid position for handling trade the new wharves when in place will materially add to the facilities of the harbor. The site of the new works has been allowed to be idle although lying in line with the entrance to the inner harbor.

The G. T. P. is making provision for accommodating a vast amount of shipping at their new wharves, indicating that the company has great things in view as far as the city is concerned.

With the advent of new steamers of the company on this coast early next spring, the company will be in position to handle its full share of trade to and from Prince Rupert.

Some idea of the large area that will be covered by the proposed works will be conveyed by stating that the dimensions of the docks are to be as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of the land boundary of the property on Wharf street, the wharves run out into the harbor a distance of 372 feet; thence north 516 feet; thence east to the short line 410 feet. The land end length of the structure will be 410 feet—this embracing almost all the area lying between the Dominion government dock and the wharves of the Alaska Steamship Company.

What is described on the plans as berths No. 1 will be the side of the dock facing the parliament buildings; berth No. 2 will face north—a basin intervening between it and berth No. 3, which will face south; and berth No. 4 will face north again, ships here docking in the space which lies between the new docks and the government wharf. Vessels may also lie on the front of the docks.

There are to be two large warehouses. On wharf No. 1 the warehouses will be 114 feet by 260 feet; and that to be erected on the wharf. No. 2 will be 59 feet by 194 feet.

The buildings are to have a superstructure providing accommodation to passengers embarking and debarking from vessels, and there will be handsome and commodious waiting rooms, ticket and freight offices and accommodation for other departments in connection with the company's business at the wharves. The design of the superstructure is to be very handsome.

Passengers will enter the premises from the northeast corner of the buildings, pass to the vessels lying alongside by way of overhead galleries. The space reserved for general offices is 50 by 70 feet, and the height of the buildings will be approximately 140 feet.

PROPOSALS FOR TARIFF REFORM

BIRMINGHAM FORECAST NOT COMPLETE POLICY

Graded Schedule of Duties Suggested on Manufactured Imports.

London, Dec. 9.—As far back as memory of living man goes, Birmingham has been the home of unauthorized programmes. The political folds were fluttered yesterday by the enunciation in the Birmingham Post, which has long been the especial organ of the Chamberlain family, of a detailed tariff policy which it says the next Unionist ministry may be expected to adopt. In the main the forecast follows the lines of tariff commission's report, giving a decisive place to the preference.

Mr. Chamberlain's original idea of free admission for Canadian and other colonial cereals is abandoned in favor of what is called a substantial preference, which will not free them from the whole of the two shillings duty on imported grain. British revenue necessities and the interests of British agriculture are named as dictating this course. Flour may have a higher duty than wheat.

The duties on manufactured imports are, according to this forecast, to range in three simple stages from 5 to 15 per cent., according to the amount of foreign labor used in them. The total revenue obtainable is estimated at from sixteen to twenty millions sterling.

Radicals make a great play with the forecast as divulging Mr. Balfour's secret, and seek to rouse feeling against food taxes, but this has been their chief line of attack all through the bye-elections which nevertheless resulted favorably to tariff reform.

It may be confidently stated that the forecast only approximately indicates the policy Mr. Balfour will carry through. The Birmingham Post says the moderate character of these tariff reform proposals will turn many votes against the government when contrasted with Mr. Lloyd George's drastic finance.

TO ADVERTISE THE WEST.

Winnipeg, Dec. 9.—A good deal of interest is being displayed around the city on the subject of a proposed exhibition of western resources at Chicago to offset the recent gathering there to discourage emigration to Canada. The proposition is to have a display of Western Canadian products at Chicago, the keynote of which will be "Why not go to Canada?"

ANTI-GAMBLING LEGISLATION.

Many Patrons in Favor of Act Presented to Parliament.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Nearly five hundred petitions have already been presented to parliament praying for the enactment of anti-gambling legislation. The signatures on each petition average probably 1,000.

FLAMES CHECKED AFTER HARD FIGHT

Blaze at Kalamazoo, Mich., Causes Loss Estimated at $500,000.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 9.—Damages aggregating $500,000 was done by a fire that started at midnight, and for a time threatened to destroy the entire business district of the city.

When the flames went beyond the control of the local fire department telegraphic dispatches to surrounding cities brought additional fire fighting apparatus. Until 6 o'clock this morning the firemen worked before the conflagration was checked.

The Burdick house, Arcade and other buildings were totally destroyed [illegible] of merchants sustained heavy losses because of goods damaged by water. The origin of the fire has not been learned.

Twenty stores were destroyed with the Burdick house and twenty other business houses were damaged. Reports of loss of life have not been confirmed. When the fire started in the Burdick house 162 guests were notified by Miss Nina Harrington, the telephone operator. Manager Burke also visited the rooms of guests and assisted in preventing a panic.

Several firemen who were overcome by smoke were removed to hospitals.

TELEGRAPHERS VOTE ON STRIKE QUESTION

Manager of Big Four Road Refuses to Grant Increase in Wages.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 9.—A referendum vote on a strike is being taken to-day by the telegraphers on the Big Four railroad, following the failure of negotiations which have been in progress for several days to bring about a settlement of the questions in dispute. The operators demand an increase in wages of 20 per cent. and the inclusion in their ranks of the telephone operators, interlocking tower men, stations agents and staff men. These demands have been definitely refused by General Manager Van Winkle, who declares that the telegraphers have been granted two substantial increases in pay in the last few years and otherwise have been treated fairly.

GALE ON PACIFIC COAST SUBSIDES

SHIPPING ESCAPES SERIOUS DAMAGE

Because of Warning Many Vessels Remain in Port During Storm.

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 9.—After raging for 14 hours, a fierce gale that has swept the coast from San Diego to British Columbia, showed signs of abating early to-day. According to officials of the local weather station, the storm spent its force in the early dawn.

In this city the wind blew at the rate of 50 miles an hour last night, while off the Heads it reached a velocity of 60 miles.

Reports from the Oregon coast stated that the storm assumed almost hurricane proportions there; a 70-mile gale whipping the sea into a succession of mountainous waves.

The storm delayed street car traffic here. Several lines were prostrated. Telegraphic communication throughout California was demoralized.

Reports from points in the Sierra Nevada mountains stated that the snowfall that accompanied the storm in the higher districts was unusually heavy. If the rains and snow continue for two days it is feared the Sacramento, Yuba and Feather rivers will overflow their banks. Twenty-three inches of snow lies upon the ground at Summit, in the Sierrs.

A landslide on the Santa Cruz branch of the Southern Pacific has tied up traffic and gangs of laborers have been sent to repair the damage.

Because of the warnings issued by the weather bureau yesterday, it is believed that the coastwise shipping escaped serious damage. Vessels scheduled to clear from San Francisco yesterday postponed their departure. Bay crafts were given ample opportunity to prepare for the gale.

NEW PRINCIPAL.

F. Vanderveen Appointed to Indian School at Ucluelet.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—Ten delegates to the world's missionary conference to be held in Edinburgh next June were appointed from the western section of the Presbyterian church yesterday at a meeting of the executive of the foreign mission committee. Two more remain to be appointed from the eastern section. Hugh McKenzie, of Winnipeg, was appointed treasurer and business agent of the mission in Honan, China, and F. Vanderveen was appointed principal of the Indian school at Ucluelet, Vancouver Island.

NEW RAILWAYS.

Regina, Dec. 9.—Yesterday was a routine day in the legislature and little of importance was considered. The announcement by the minister of railways that the Grand Trunk Pacific would build the Biggar-Battleford branch next year, and that three railways are now heading for the Cut Knife country, comprised the statement of the government, and the greater part of the day was spent in committee.

NEAR DEATH IN LYNN CANAL

FOUR MEN HAVE AN EXCITING TRIP

Gasoline Launch Made Only Eleven Miles in Twenty-four Hours.

(Special to the Times.)

Skagway, Dec. 9.—Weighted low in the water by ice, the fifty-foot gasoline launch Hogg reached Skagway at 1 o'clock yesterday after buffeting a terrific sea in Lynn Canal for 28 hours in traversing 18 miles between Haines and Skagway. The four men on board are almost prostrated by the hardships of the trip.

The Hogg left Haines at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning with mail. Late in the evening she had only made 11 miles and twice was nearly dashed against the precipitous shores of the canal. Progress in the dark was imposible, and the Hogg anchored in a small cove. She was so coated with ice that it had to be chipped off to keep her afloat. During the night the vessel dragged her anchors and almost went ashore. An Indian wood-chopper, Edward Manson, hailed the Hogg in the morning and asked to be taken to Skagway. He was four days out of grub and it was impossible to reach Skagway along the shore line. At great danger a small boat was launched and the native taken aboard. Capt. Madsen, Pilot Larsen and Harry Staser, a mining man, made the trip from Haines.

TREASURY MAY HOLD BILL MINER'S CASH

Lawyer Seeks to Recover Money for Defending Bandit at Trial.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Bill Miner, the bandit, is again the subject of correspondence of the justice department. W. Norman Bole, of Vancouver, who defended Miner at the time of his trial, recently secured an order of the court in British Columbia for the payment to him of money taken from Miner at the time of his arrest. This money is claimed in payment of Bole's legal fees in the case, amounting to $500, and for costs amounting to $28, but the total amount of cash taken from Miner was only $149.10, this sum having been held ever since in trust by the department. The rule governing the case of money taken from a convict is that it shall be paid over to him at the time of his release or to his legal heirs in case of death. Miner, being convicted for life, the department doubts if it has the right to hand over the sum to Bole, and it may therefore remain in the treasury as a souvenir of the desperado.

VOTE SOON ON BY-LAW

BOARD OF CONTROL UP TO RATEPAYERS

Special Meeting of Council to Arrange Date of Polling.

Mayor Hall has summoned a special meeting of the City Council for to-morrow evening for the purpose of dealing with the by-law aiming at the creation of a board of control. It is believed that the by-law will pass the council; and the present expectation is, further, that it will be submitted to the judgment of the electors on or about the 23rd of the present month. Should it be passed it would then follow that controllers would be nominated and voted for at the same time as the elections for mayor and aldermen.

If the by-law passes the council to-morrow night—and Mayor Hall said to the Times this morning that he believed that it would—it will require to be advertised for a period of ten days. This would permit of the vote of the electors being taken on Wednesday, December 23rd.

According to the act, the board of control shall consist of the mayor and two controllers, to be nominated and elected from the city at large. The controller receiving the largest number of votes shall continue in office until the next general election after his election, and for one year after, reckoning therefrom, and from that time onward until his successor shall have been appointed. The person receiving the next largest number of votes shall continue in office until the next general municipal election and until his successor shall have been elected.

Mayor Hall expressed some doubt this morning as to those qualified to vote on the by-law providing for the creation of a board of control, but the act seems very clear on that point, saying: "This act shall not come into force until the council shall, before the final passage of the by-law, submit said by-law to the vote of the electors entitled to vote for mayor in the same manner, as to giving notice thereof and taking the vote, as is provided for the submission of money by-laws." Mayor Hall appeared to think that possibly it might be found that only property owners would be entitled to vote on the by-law, as it foreshadowed the payment of money to the controllers, but the act leaves no doubt that all electors entitled to vote for mayor may exercise their franchise.

In discussing the situation with the Times this morning, His Worship said he thought it would be found advisable to ask the Legislature for an amendment to the act providing for the recall system in connection with the board of control. He said it was conceivable that men might be appointed to office who would pursue a policy necessitating their relinquishment of office before their terms would expire in the regular fashion.

Public opinion is divided in respect to the wisdom of adopting the board of control system at this time. Some people argue that the old system would work well if only the proper men were elected to office. Others say that they have not had time to digest what is meant by the new system, and there are others, again, who would welcome any change from existing methods in the hope that some improvement in the management of the city's affairs would be secured thereby. It is difficult, therefore, to forecast what will be the fate of the measure should it come before the electors in a few days.

DIVORCE SUIT RESULTS IN TWO DEATHS

Officer and Merchant Shot in Attempt to Serve Papers.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 9.—Charles H. Lukens, a deputy sheriff of Kansas City, Kansas, and Charles Galloway, a business man, are dead here to-day, and Harry Anderson, a detective, is in a hospital suffering from serious injuries as the result of an attempt of the officers to serve papers in a divorce suit on Galloway last night.

Accompanied by William Drew, city marshal of Rosedale, Kansas, Lukens attempted to serve the papers on Galloway in the street. Galloway ran and the authorities followed. The officer shot at the fleeing man, who returned the fire, shooting Lukens through the heart. Drew fired at Galloway, but he escaped.

Sheriff Albert Becker, of Wyandotte county, Kansas, then organized an armed posse to search for Galloway. He was found barricaded in the house of his business partner in Kansas City, Mo. When the officers forced an entrance he jumped into a closet, and firing through the door shot Anderson through the arm. The officers fired through the door, and Galloway fell shot through the stomach. He died later in a hospital.

THREE HUNTERS LOSE THEIR LIVES

Their Boat is Capsized by Squall—Body of One Victim Found.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 9.—Search was instituted to-day for the bodies of two of the three duck hunters who lost their lives off Point Richmond last night.

The body of Deputy Sheriff J. J. Burrows, of Contra Costa county, has been recovered. The other two, Richard C. Cassabone and an unknown companion, are still in the water.

The three men were hunting yesterday in a small boat. Late in the evening they were overtaken by a squall and capsized.

MAYOR HALL IS TO SPEAK OUT

HIS WORSHIP WILL TALK ABOUT RESERVOIR

Will Make Statement at Meeting of Council To-morrow Evening.

Mayor Hall at to-morrow evening's special meeting of the City Council, which has been summoned primarily for the purpose of considering the bylaw for the creation of the board of control, will take occasion to make a public statement regarding the present condition of the reservoir on Smith's Hill and the history of that work. His Worship is moved to this action because of the publicity which has been given to the views of H. A. Icke, who was the first engineer in charge of the reservoir.

Mayor Hall was asked this morning if he had anything to say respecting the letter which Mr. Icke had published in last evening's Times. His Worship said he would deal with that at length at to-morrow evening's meeting, but he might say he was surprised that Mr. Icke had not felt it imperative, if he believed that the reservoir was not being constructed in a proper manner, to make formal complaint to himself, the water commissioner or Arthur L. Adams, the consulting engineer. Mr. Icke had not said a word to him (the mayor) about the reservoir until after it was completed and had developed some "seepages." This led him to believe that previously Mr. Icke was not so sure that a good job had not been done.

James L. Raymur has not yet received the letter from Mr. Adams, which the latter, in a telegram received on Monday, said he was writing. This letter will no doubt be to hand by this afternoon's mail. Until Mr. Adams has been heard from the council will take no action towards investigating the conditions of the reservoir and the manner of its construction. Mr. Raymur says that very little water is now leaking from the reservoir.

Public opinion has been aroused to a marked degree in respect to the disclosures which have been made in regard to the condition of the reservoir, and there is a feeling that even should Mr. Adams express a wish to advise the council free of charge on the matter of repairs the council would not be justified in accepting that advice. It is known also that a number of the members of the board of aldermen are indisposed to have anything further to do with the expert from California. Should this section of the board be paramount in the decision, to be reached it will probably develop that Assistant City Engineer Bryson will be instructed to proceed with a thorough inquiry.

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—John McArthur, a fashionably dressed American youth, pleaded guilty in the police court this morning to a charge of vagrancy. He asked for an opportunity to get back to the United States. He was fined $25 with one month's imprisonment in default of payment of the fine.

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—The regular monthly meeting of the Men's Own Club of the First Congregational church was held on Tuesday evening. After the business had been transacted an address was given by E. McGaffey on the subject "This Island of Ours." A short musical programme was also given.

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—An illustrated lecture will be given on Monday evening next in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Methodist church by Rev. Dr. Sipprell, of New Westminster. The subject of his address will be "Sight and Light Sensations." Everyone is welcomed to attend.

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FAMOUS VIOLINIST HEARD LAST NIGHT

Fritz Kreisler Held Audience Spellbound During Performance.

That Fritz Kreisler, the Viennese violinist, is considered in Europe as the first violinist of the world may not have been believed prior to his performance last night at the Victoria theatre, but at its close an enraptured audience was willing and eager to concede that the claims made for the performer are not without foundation. There have been times when visiting musicians have retired at the close of their performances leaving diverse opinions among Victoria audiences, but Fritz Kreisler left regret—regret that the concert was at an end, for every person present would gladly have stayed on for an indefinite time under the spell cast over them by the master violinist's wonderful playing.

The greater part of the programme was of sixteenth and seventeenth century music and the performance was that of a genius, whose music was both of the head and the heart, and whose expressive face was always changing in sympathy with his music. His violin was a beautiful instrument, mellow, rich and sweet-toned, and added greatly to the harmony.

From the moment he drew the first notes from his instrument in the Devil's Trill Sonata (Tartini) until the conclusion of the programme, the audience was enraptured, and at the end of the numbers sat spellbound for a moment before the applause burst forth. In response to frequent demands the violinist bowed frequent acknowledgement, but did not render an encore till the Humoresque (Dvorak) in the last number, which he generously replayed, and the notes came tripping over each other from his instrument in a perfect sea of melody. In response to the applause for the final number, Paganini's Fantasy, Kreisler rendered his second encore and was again awarded an ovation. Haddon Squire, of London, was his accompanist, and the concert under the auspices of the Victoria Musical Society was at the direction of Miss Louis Steers, of Portland.

The audience was a fashionable one and the theatre was practically filled. From an artistic standpoint the concert was more than successful, while from a financial standpoint the musical [illegible] regrets.

The final concert of the society will be held at the Victoria theatre May 21st, when Walter Damrosch's New York Symphony orchestra with sixty performers and a vocal quartet will be heard.

RACES IN STORM.

Barney Oldfield Breaks Fifty-Mile Circular Track Record.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 9.—With his face wrapped in woollen bandages and wearing heavy fur gloves and fur overcoat, Barney Oldfield drove his 120 horse-power Benz racer in the teeth of a Texas Norther yesterday afternoon and broke the 50-mile circular track record, which has stood for five years. Oldfield covered the half century in 47:18, as against the old mark of 48:40 1-5, made by himself in Fresno, Cal., in 1904. Oldfield got inside the previous record at 30 miles and broke every mark from 30 to 50.

Oldfield's drive was most spectacular, as the track was frozen in places and the radiator of his car was filled with alcohol to prevent freezing. At the finish of the drive, Oldfield's hands had to be pulled loose from the steering wheel by his assistants, having been affected by the intense cold at so high a speed.

—The death occurred yesterday at 577 Toronto street of James Hocking after a short illness. Deceased was 47 years of age and was born in England. He came here from Butte, Mont., about four months ago and was a member of Camp No. 153, Woodmen of the World. A wife, one brother and one nephew in this city and three sisters and one brother in England survive him. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the above residence.

TRUSTEES WILL LOOK INTO ACT

BOARD OF CONTROL SYSTEM AND SCHOOLS

Teachers Appointed at Last Night's Sitting of Board.

At last evening's meeting of the board of school trustees it was decided that the motion made by Trustee Staneland at the last meeting of the board, and which was laid on the table, for the erection of a four-story frame school on the corner of Bank and Leighton street, Oak Bay, at a cost of $10,000, was necessary, and that the board should appeal to the city council for that amount. It was reported at the meeting that there were 136 pupils now attending the Central school who would attend the proposed new centre.

Trustee McIntosh spoke in favor of this move and stated that he was sure that when the new school was ready for occupation there would be a sufficient number of children to fill it, as the growth in that section was remarkable. He thought that this school should have been erected several years ago. A number of the other members of the board expressed themselves in somewhat similar terms.

Owing to the lack of accommodation at the Victoria West school a report was made by Superintendent Paul to the effect that a number of children were attending that school, whose parents were not residents of this city. It was also found that most of these children were in the senior grade. The board decided to let them finish the term at the school, but after that they will have to attend the schools in their respective districts.

Trustee McNeill, speaking on this, said that it was not fair for outsiders to attend city schools as the citizens had to defray all expenses.

Trustee, Christie then pointed out that there were a large number from the surrounding districts who are attending the local high school.

Mr. McNeill arose again and stated that Mr. Christie had struck a vital point. He said that the question was worthy of consideration as the ratepayers were taxed too much and that many of them will not support the by-law providing for a new high school on this account. It was decided to find out how many outside pupils were attending this school so that the board might be well informed should this question ever arise.

Chairman Jay took the opportunity at last night's meeting to express his opinion in regard to the board of control. He stated that there had been considerable newspaper talk on this subject and that he had found there was a clause in the by-law, governing this body, stating that the school board as well as the fire commissioners and police commissioners, was expected to submit a report of the amount of money proposed to be expended. Mr. Jay felt that if the object of this new body was to curtail the board then the trustees should oppose it and oppose it strongly as the present system was quite satisfactory. For the past ten years the board has been working well.

Mr. McNeill moved that a committee should be appointed to look into the matter and find out how the proposed board works. Trustees Jay, Staneland and McNeill were appointed to investigate the matter.

The appointing of five teachers to be added to the city staff was taken up last night. There were eleven applications in for the positions. The following were appointed; Miss Andrews, Miss Clarke, Miss Campbell, Miss Evans and Miss Long. The assignments for these will be made later.

Chief Davis, of the fire department, in making his report made reference to the fact that something would have to be done in both the boys' and girls' sections of the Central school to guard against accidents in case of fire. Owing to the over-crowding in the school, classrooms have been made over the boiler-room and very poor exits are provided.

Trustee McNeill said it was the rule to have fire drills regularly in the schools and it was shown that not one had yet been held in the Girls' Central this term.

The committee appointed to look into the matter of supplying pianos to several schools for the Christmas entertainments recommended that the required instruments should be loaned to the school and that after the holidays the question of furnishing several of the schools with permanent pianos should be taken up.

Miss Blackwell, principal of the Hillside school, requested that she be given leave of absence from Christmas to Easter. The request was granted. The resignations of Miss Mabel Cameron, of the South Park school, and Miss Dunn, of the Spring Ridge school, were received with regret.

The finance committee's report showed that bills amounting to $236.90 were in. These were ordered to be paid.

A request was made by Ian Sinclair, that a marble tablet be placed in the Boys' Central school in memorium of the late Engineer Black, who met death on the steamer Coquitlam, a short time ago. Mr. Black was a former pupil of the school. The request was granted.

Those who were in attendance last night were: Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Chairman Jay, C. D. Christie, Riddell, A. B. McNeill, W. E. Staneland, Capt. McIntosh, and Superintendent Paul.

HEAVIEST MAN BURIED.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The funeral of J. J. Muldoon, the heavfest man in Canada, who died last Monday, took place at Quyon, Que., yesterday. Owing to his great weight, 460 pounds, it was impossible to get the specially made coffin into a hearse, and the remains were conveyed to the cemetery in an open vehicle. The weight of the coffin and body was so great that it had to be taken out of the house on rollers

TENDERS FOR NEW Y.M.C.A. BUILDING

Final Plans to Be Out and Bids Asked in January.

The Y. M. C. A. directors at the regular monthly meeting held last night decided to call tenders for the new Y. M. C. A. building to be constructed at View and Blanchard streets, next January, and appointed Architect H. S. Griffiths and Secretary A. J. Brace a committee to inspect the Y. M. C. A. buildings of the near coast towns, with the object of securing all the latest interior and external points of advantage for the local edifice. This committee will direct its attention to the Walla Walla building in particular where there is an up-to-date building with all the latest innovations, and on the lines of this the local one will likely be principally constructed. When the committee reports from its trip what modifications or alterations it suggests will be embodied in the plans and then tenders called for.

The objects of the Y. M. C. A. work were outlined in an address by Frank Ritchie representing the international committee, who was present. He said the work of the associations was directed not only to the association's members but to the youth of cities as a whole. Incidentally he mentioned the necessity for encouragement in swimming and pointed out that in one year there had been 4,000 boys in North America lose their lives by drowning. He also said there were more boys in penitentiaries and reformatories than were connected with the Young Men's Christian Associations, and the boy membership of North America associations numbered 100,000. The Y. M. C. A. object was to touch every strata of society.

Of boys between the ages of 14 and 18 there were 8,000,000 in North America. Of these 7,500,000 did not attend Sunday school. Ninety-five per cent of these boys entered business openings, while only two per cent. entered colleges. Localizing his arguments Mr. Ritchie pointed out that in Victoria there were 3,000 boys between the ages of 12 and 14. The boy membership of the local Y. M. C. A. only numbered 200.

In Canada, he pointed out, there were half a million boys, and yet the Canadian Y. M. C. A. membership numbered only 6,000. It was evident from this there was an immense field for Y. M. C. A. work in the Dominion. The board passed a unanimous resolution endorsing Mr. Ritchie's ideas.

GIRL REMANDED.

Awaits Action of Grand Jury on Charge of Having Murdered Her Employer.

Waltham, Mass., Dec. 9.—Hattie Leblanc, the 16-year-old French girl from Arichat, N. S., was sent back to the Middlesex county jail yesterday to await the disposition of her case by the January term of the grand jury on the charge of murdering her employer, C. F. Glover.

The evidence in the case was presented at the juvenile session of the district court, and, as in all juvenile cases, the hearing was secret. The young girl was evidently in good health and cheerful. The witnesses questioned included a physician and a police officer, who heard Glover's dying accusation about the Leblanc girl. Mrs. Glover, the widow of the victim, was summoned by the defence, but the only information learned from her was that she and the prisoner had been on the most friendly terms for a long time.

DR. COOK'S REPORT.

Long-Heralded Data Has Arrived at Copenhagen.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—The north pole observations of Dr. Frederick A. Cook reached here yesterday on board the steamer United States. Extraordinary precautions were taken to make sure that the long-heralded data was delivered safe to the university authorities.

As soon as the United States was tied up at her pier an iron box containing Dr. Cook's report and diaries, in which his original entries were made, was brought ashore. The box was closely followed by Walter Lonsdale, Dr. Cook's secretary, who had stood guard over its contents since they left the hands of the explorer.

FIRE DESTROYS SCHOOL.

Bath, Ont., Dec. 9.—The public school here, a two story brick structure, erected in 1887, was destroyed by fire which broke out while teachers and pupils were at dinner. The fire is supposed to have originated in the furnace connections. Besides the building and ordinary contents there was a school library valued at $300. There was insurance of $3,000 on the building and contents.

SCORES TAMMANY.

New York, Dec. 9.—Secretary of War Dickinson and W. J. Gaynor, mayor-elect of New York, were the principal speakers last night at the twenty-sixth annual dinner of the Southern Society of New York at the Waldorf Astoria. The secretary of war spoke of the north, the south and the nation. Judge Gaynor in this, his first public address since his election, said in part: "The long line of officials and bosses who made themselves millionaires off the government of this city, some of whom lived abroad and impudently visit us occasionally now that the statute of limitations has outlawed their villainies, is a standing disgrace to the moral tone of the community."

MUST BUILD STATION.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The railway commission, at the request of the town council of Eganville, Ont., ordered the erection of a new station there and the placing of the tracks was indicated in certain parts of the town. The C. P. R. agreed to do this.

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BOUNDARY MINES MAY AMALGAMATE

OVERTURES MADE TO B. C. COPPER COMPANY

Merger Would Insure Better Returns for the Shareholders.

Nelson, Dec. 9.—The amalgamation of all the Boundary copper producers has been looked upon for some time as a coming issue in the not distant future, as it is believed in the mining and smelting of such low grade ore better returns could be obtained for shareholders in the various companies by consolidation of the managements.

With the acquiring of the control of the New Dominion Copper Company by the British Columbia Copper Company, the feasibility of such a merger becomes greater, as it only remains for the Granby Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company to secure 51 per cent. of the British Columbia Copper shares to practically control the copper mining industry of the Boundary district, and thus unite the large copper interests of the three big companies.

To this end the Granby Co. recently made overtures to the British Columbia Copper Co., offering them one share of Granby for ten shares of British Columbia, for a controlling interest. This was about $10 for the shares now selling around $7. The offer was refused, but the British Columbia Co. people say they would consider an offer of a basis of five to one, or $20 per share.

The British Columbia Copper Co. is now a strong and progressive company. It is enjoying prosperity, and the large owners, who have stood by the property through seven years of ups and downs, believe they are about to get their reward. They will be disappointed if the stock does not enter the dividend ranks in 1910. Production is now on a twelve million pound basis, with the probability of fifteen million pounds in 1910. Profits are now running around $40,000 per month. Dividends of 50 cents a year, or 10 per cent., would probably not take half of next year's earnings.

It is generally expected that the big merger will eventually occur, and with such an added copper production to Granby's present copper output the latter will undoubtedly become a factor in the big copper trust.

TAFT'S MESSAGE GIVES SATISFACTION

Danger of Tariff War is Believed to Be at an End.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—With President Taft's message to Congress, insofar as it relates to matters between Canada and the United States, satisfaction is expressed in political circles here. The president's pronouncement was awaited with considerable interest, and it is felt that there is nothing in it which justifies the assumption that there is to be a tariff war. It is stated authoratively that the government is gratified at what it considers to be the broad manner in which the president has discussed administration of the maximum and minimum clause of the American tariff.

Mr. Taft's statement that the term "unduly discriminates" gives the president great latitude in determining what really constitutes such undue preference is officially stated to be exactly the interpretation given the law by members of the government in Ottawa.

In political circles the massage in the terms delivered is regarded as making much easier Mr. Fielding's pronouncement in the budget on Tuesday. Had it been menacing in character it would doubtless have exercised an influence on the character of the finance minister's budget deliverance.

DRINKS CARBOLIC ACID.

Roswell, N. M., Dec. 9.—Despondent for the alleged reason that her husband came home in an intoxicated condition, Mrs. J. D. Deering, a prominent local club woman, committed suicide in a spectacular manner when she attempted to drink a pint of carbolic acid. She succeeded in swallowing a quantity of the fluid before the action of the acid on the membrane closed her throat and made swallowing impossible. She died after hours of excruciating agony. She was 42 years of age.

ACCUSED OF GRAND LARCENY.

New York, Dec. 9.—The grand jury yesterday returned an indictment charging grand larceny in the first degree against George Preston Sheldon, deposed president of the Phenix Insurance Company. The indictment was handed to Judge Foster in the court of general sessions. Sheldon is supposed to be very ill at his home in Hartford, Conn.

DOUGLAS FIR FOR PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Large Shipments Will Be Made During the Coming Year.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 9.—That the Panama canal zone will have taken over 20,000,000 feet of Douglas fir lumber from Puget Sound during the last 12 months, and that much greater quantities of lumber will be shipped to Panama during the coming year if the construction on the canal proceeds at the rates that is anticipated, is the statement of J. H. Rosseter of San Francisco, Pacific coast manager of W. R. Grace & Company. Rosseter is in Seattle on a business visit.

W. R. Grace & Company handle practically every foot of lumber that goes from the Sound to Panama and the west coast of South America. The firm has a regular monthly steamer sailing to Panama alone, and besides the steam craft a large number of schooners are taking cargo for the company to southern waters.

"The early prejudice against the Douglas fir on the canal work caused principally by delays in delivery in the early shipments has disappeared," said Rosseter. "Shipments in large quantities have been made regularly, and the fir is accepted equally with the yellow pine from the Eastern states. Business with the west coast of South America has not yet returned to normal, as the republics have not recovered fully from the depression of two years ago. They are, however, sending north increasing quantities of ore for smelting on the Sound and the delivery of nitrates is also increasing."

ISSUES WARNING TO RAILWAY MAGNATES

Congressman Urges Them to Abandon Opposition to Waterways Improvement.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Congressman Ransdell, of Louisiana, president of the deep waterways congress, in an address before the national rivers and harbor congress here yesterday, issued a warning to the railroad magnates of the country who oppose waterways improvement, that their attitude eventually will mean government ownership of railroads. Ransdell declared that he is a friend of railroads, which he regards as marvellous agents of progress.

He said that the strongest possible weapon for the railroads against government ownership would be friendly relations between the waterways organizations and the railroads. Following out this line of argument he urged the magnates to abandon their position.

In his address President Taft maintained his policy of remaining on the fence regarding the advisability of the government issuing bonds to make waterway improvements. He declared that the favored securing a declaration from congress in favor of the improvement of the Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio rivers, leaving the matter of bonds for consideration later.

William R. Wheeler will introduce a resolution demanding the enactment of a law prohibiting a railroad from owning any competing common carrier, including waterways in the latter designation.

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There may be a great deal to be said in favor of protection as a cure for the alleged evils of industrial depression, lack of employment and poverty from which Great Britain is suffering at the present time. Protection against foreign manufactures and natural products with a preference for the products and the manufactures of the overseas dominions may be urged with some effect as a means of consolidating and strengthening the Imperial fabric. But such a policy is brought forward at an untoward time, when there is a chance of the voters of Great Britain confounding it with the ill-advised action of the House of Lords in rejecting taxation of land and insisting upon taxation of food and most of the necessaries of life as a substitute therefor. The Unionist appeal for the adoption of a system which they hail as a highly patriotic plan for the consolidation of the Empire and for placing it upon a permanent basis is apt to be overshadowed by the argument of the Liberals that patriotism in this instance is but a subterfuge by which a special class hope to dodge their fair share of taxation and transfer it to shoulders far less able to bear it.

The Unionist policy is a matter of considerable interest and importance to Canadians and the people of the other self-governing portions of the Empire. Tariff reform as advocated by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain was not understood to embody any provision for the taxation of the products of Canada, the country in which the Imperial preferential trade idea originated. It has been broadened out since the active days of Mr. Chamberlain, apparently. It is proposed to tax all goods except raw materials originating in any country, but the Unionist programme, if adopted, would admit the products of countries under the flag at lower rates than the products of foreign nations. In this revised plan we see the inevitable tendency of the protectionist system. In the case of Great Britain, as in every other case, it is an appeal to the selfishness of producers and a menace to the interests of consumers. The agriculturist would secure an advantage which he does not at present enjoy, the landlord would be enabled to exact higher rents—and the only concesion to the consumer would be the privilege of paying higher prices for the necessaries of life, with an unsubstantial assurance of steady employment at higher rates of wages.

From a Candian point of view the programme of the Unionists is not nearly so attractive as was anticipated by ardent advocates of Imperial preferential trade. Yet it embodies precisely what was expected by far-seeing men who could not be induced to work up a tremendous amount of enthusiasm over the matter.

THE POLITICAL CONFLICT IN BRITAIN.

The Birmingham post, long the accepted mouthpiece of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, has taken the liberty of outlining the fiscal policy of the Unionist [illegible] from the leaders of the party, the conclusion is natural that the Post's platform is constructed in substance upon the lines favored by the Conservatives. The annuoncement or pronouncement cannot be considered startling, inasmuch as it merely states in definite terms something which Mr. Balfour and his lieutenants have suggested or hinted at in indefinite terms. It elaborates a policy of protection for the United Kingdom. It substitutes for the policy of the Liberals, which is to make up the budget deficit by the taxation of land, a policy of taxation upon practically all imports except the raw materials which enter so largely into the business of the British people as a nation of manufacturers.

The intention of the Unionist organ is obvious. It is to divert public attention from the high-handed and apparently unpopular action of the House of Lords in rejecting the Budget and creating a precedent which, if not condemned by the popular vote, will justify the irresponsible chamber in future attempts to dictate to the House of Commons, the branch of the legislature directly responsible to all the people, the system of taxation which shall be adopted for the purpose of raising necessary revenue.

The ostensible reason given by the Lords for the rejection of the Budget is that they have no evidence before them that the country is in favor of such an alleged radical departure from all precedents in the matter of taxation. They, in effect, tell a ministry supported by by one of the largest majorities in the history of parliamentary government in Great Britain to go and get a mandate from the people. Notwithstanding grave admonitions from a number of splendidly gifted and deeply patriotic men, including ecclesiastics, peers and commoners, who spoke ominously of the gravity of the issues they were raising, their lordships adhered to their decision, and the Budget was rejected by a larger majority in the upper chamber than it was endorsed by in the lower.

But the people are not to be deceived by the sophistries of the Lords, unless the depth of public opinion has been very greatly misjudged by apparently competent authorities. The motives of their lordships are purely selfish. They are not concerned so much about ascertaining the will of the people as they are in shirking their responsibilities as land owners. There is a principle now generally recognized is the levying of taxation, which is that the incidence of taxation shall fall as equitably as possible upon all the people—that the burden shall bear a fair relation to the ability of all classes of the public to carry it. That is the principle the Lords hope to subvert. They are opposed to the taxation of land; they are wedded to a system which is obsolete and indefeasible because it has given them a preference and an unfair advantage over the "common people"; they are in favor of a system of taxation of quite another kind, the raising of revenue by the taxation of imports, which will spread the burden over all the people and ignore the sound principle already cited. The application of the principle of protection would relieve them of their just share of the fiscal load. They are so deaf to all warnings and so blind to their true interests that they prefer to run the risk of being shorn of most of their out-grown privileges and prerogatives as a result of one final effort to arrest the tide of human progress.

There is no doubt of the fact that the election campaign in Great Britain is one of the most momentous in the history of the country. In a sense it is revolution, but it is a twentieth century revolution. We cannot conceive of the majority of the people, now that they are confronted with the opportunity of reducing a mediaeval institution, a bulwark of unjust privilledge, an institution which is always passive when a Tory government is in power and usually perniciously active when a government truly representative of the people is in power—we can hardly conceive of the electorate of Great Britain at this time turning its back upon the Asquith administration.

The public-spirited members of the Victoria Musical Society have not complained to the Times of any lack of appreciation of their efforts to give the people of the city opportunities of listening to great artists and musical organizations of acknowledged artistic standing. But we understand that the scheme of the society does not at the present time promise to be a financial success and that unless a marked change takes place previous to the close of the present season the work will be abandoned. That would be a consummation most seriously to be deplored. How seriously can only be understood by those who had the good fortune to listen to the performance of a great master, Kelsler, last evening. As we have already pointed out, the public cannot be hectored or lectured into patronizing and supporting movements in which they are not at heart deeply interested. But it is permissible, if not imperative, to point out the facts and to hope that a realization of them will have the desired effect.

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The famous Dr. Cook, like the records and instruments which are considered necessary to establish the bona fides of his alleged polar and other achievements, cannot be found. He has disappeared afmost as completely as if he were either in the hands of the [illegible] Mount McKinley. The American newspapers which accepted in haste the story of the Doctor's discovery of the north pole ought really to equip an expedition for the purpose of finding him. The truth appears to be that the explorer is an audacious imposter.

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We appreciate very highly the marked interest our numerous correspondents take in current topics of the day and the marked ability with which they discuss them. We welcome all contributions to our columns, imposing but three conditions precedent to publications. Make your letters as short as possible, express your opinions in moderate terms, and inclose your name with every communication. A number of letters will be found upon page nine of this issue.

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The Colonist has the habit of promiscuous congratulation. The Times's turn has come to offer its contemporary very sincere compliments and congratulate it on a marked change of heart on the subject of race track gambling. Only a few months since—but what is the use of recalling the mistakes of the past?

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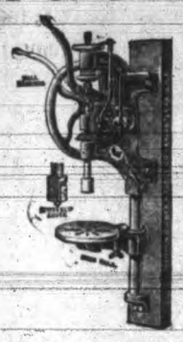

WHARF STREET

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What Other People Think

BOARD OF CONTROL OR COMMISSION

To the Editor:—I have read with much interest the different arguments for and against the election of a board of control, and, having some experience along these lines from the standpoint of a ratepayer in other cities, I feel it my duty as a ratepayer in this city to use my mite to oppose the measure, and I wish to give public expression in support of the reasons why. I do so with the sincere hope that the majority of my fellow-citizens will do likewise.

I can see, as evidently the rest of your correspondents do, that our municipal machinery is in a sad state. And naturally so, I say naturally, because we are just going through the dry rot stage that the average city experiences at some period in its history, and why? because of the lack of organization in civic government generally. In other words, too many managers and the absence of one head. Then comes the old adage, "Too many cooks spoil the broth." This being the case, in the name of reason, why add to the number of cooks?

Mr. Drury says that a board of control would bring about a more expeditious transaction of public business. If I was prompted by mere sentiment I would refrain from taking exception to this, but as I speak from actual experience I am compelled to oppose this gentleman's argument.

I was a ratepayer to the city of Winnipeg when the first so-called board of control was elected, and then began a heated controversy between this new body and the aldermanic board through the city press, each side apparently contending for control.

Mr. Hanna and Mr. Drury may rest assured that the municipal families of Winnipeg are not running as smoothly as supposed. Green fields far away.

It has already been said that our municipal affairs are in a deplorable condition. I wonder where the present state of things would stop if a board of control were elected and then would ensue a conflict between it and the aldermanic board to determine which would actually control?

I will leave this for one of my opponents to answer.

I quite agree with Mr. Drury that the keystone to success is good management, but I would go further and say that it is only possible to obtain the results desired where there is but one head.

I further agree with Mr. Drury that no sane proprietor of any business ability would depend on a staff of clerks to handle his business, but, on the other hand, I consider it conceive of any sane man attempting to succeed with half a dozen or more heads in one business.

I respectfully suomit another question or two, which I trust Mr. Hanna or Mr. Drury will kindly answer:

1. After a board of control is elected, in what position will this place our chief magistrate?
2. Where will his power begin and end?
3. Where will the power of the board of control begin and end?

In closing, I may say that I am heartily in favor of a change in municipal government, but let it be something modern—a government by commission of, say, three men. At the head of this body let there be a chairman or chief commissioner, or any title you wish, but let him be a man of affairs who would handle our business in exactly the same manner that he would his own.

He must be a man of tact, push and principle, who will be boss if only for twenty-four hours, viz., a man who will handle staff right down the ladder and do it for the people.

Some will say, where are we going to get the material for this commission? I answer, right here in our fair city.

I say it in all earnestness that there is just as good material in our city as could be found in this grand Dominion.

I would advocate paying this body a good salary. You cannot hope to obtain the necessary quality of brains and principle combined otherwise.

Glance at the large private thriving corporations of our country. These institutions are managed from one head, and they do not expect to secure managers or men to place at the head of affairs to properly protect the shareholders without paying a fair salary. This system is responsible for the results which are invariably substantial dividends.

In closing, I will say that I understand that a petition asking for a board of control has been presented to some of the ratepayers and signed by a few. I am sorry if this is the case—sorry because I cannot help but believe that the majority of those who signed this did so on the spur of the moment and before all phases of the question were discussed pro and con.

I want to say that in my opinion all the conditions are against such a movement being successful.

The ratepayers may not be ready to make a selection and elect a modern commission. If not, I believe it would be much better to do the best we can with the present system till they are ready.

A. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 9th, 1909.

ORATORY CONTEST.

Delightful Evening Spent Last Night in Y. M. C. A.—E. Sears Adjudged the Winner.

Last night the oratory contest conducted by the Y. M. C. A. was held in the auditorium of the association. Five speakers spoke on the subject "The Future of Victoria," and the judges had a hard time in deciding the winners. The result given by the three judges, R. L. Drury, D. W. Higgins and J. McB. Smith, was, E. Sears first, winner of the gold medal presented by T. D. Veitch; and second, E. L. Harrison, winner of the silver medal offered by R. L. Drury. The other contestants were S. Young, A. S. Woodward and J. L. Martin.

The winner treated the subject from the standpoint of the growth of the city in the past few years. He also drew attention to the fact that the type of manhood developed in this city would also determine the outlook for Victoria.

Mr. Harrison, the winner of second place, emphasized the importance of Victoria being valued as a seaport and that the port was the gateway to the Pacific. He was certain that this city would become a great seaport.

R. L. Drury at the close stated that it would be good to have another contest on two subjects, one being a chosen subject and the other decided on at random. The mock city council was to have been formed last night, but it was thought wise to leave it over until after Christmas, owing to the many other attractions on at present. It was also decided to have on Friday next a debate between two teams to be captained by Messrs. Harrison and Brown, who will chose the subject on which they will talk.

WEDDED YESTERDAY.

Miss Wilson and Mr. Fred West, of Duncan, United in Marriage.

The marriage of Miss Mabel L. Wilson to Mr. Fred West, of Duncan, took place last evening at the residence of the parents on Burnside road, by the Rev. Mr. Henderson of the Centennial church. After the wedding the guests, to the number of about 100, sat down to a sumptuous supper, which all enjoyed. The wedding presents were very useful and ornamental. Among them were: The employees of Dixi Ross, a Morocco bound armchair; Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, a plush couch; Mr. Blevault, a Morris chair; Mr. and Mrs. Goryette, a handsome Rattan rocker; Miss Edith Pusey, a beautiful marble eight-day clock; Miss Florence Pusey, a breakfast cruet; Mr. Arthur West, a set of silver coffee spoons and sugar tongs; the mother of the bride, house linen; Mr. Wilson, handsome tapestry table cloth; Mr. and Mrs. Sketch, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jeeves, a silver sugar bowl; J. J. Wilson, jr., one gold and silver berry spoon; Mr. and Mrs. J. Owens, a silver and oak butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. E. Harris, a berry set; Miss Rita Wilson, a pair of antique vases; Master Cyril Wilson, china tea set; Miss Maude James, fruit dish; Mr. W. Blake, pair of handsome vases; Mr. and Mrs. J. Todd, biscuit jar; Mr. and Mrs. L. Houston, silver and glass pickle jar; Mr. R. E. Boyers, hand-painted berry set; R. Swords, one dozen hand-painted cups and saucers; Mr. Hart, pair silver napkin rings; Mr. and Mrs. H. Simpson, water set; Miss K. Wilmon, silver forks.

The groom's gift to the bride was a pair of pearl earrings, and to the bridesmaid a pearl amethyst brooch and to the best man a gold tie pin.

—In Work Point barracks last evening Quartermaster-Sergeant Wm. Dawson, of the Royal Canadian Engineers, and Mrs. Martha Winters were united in marriage. Rev. A. E. Roberts performed the ceremony. Sergt. Manton was best man and Mrs. A. Towell was matron of honor. Sergeant and Mrs. Dawson left for Vancouver last evening on their wedding trip and on their return will reside in the married men's quarters at the barracks.

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—Tickets for the annual police ball that takes place on Friday night at the Women's building, fair grounds, are on sale. They can be purchased at the stores of Redfern & Sons, W. H. Wilkerson's and Fraser's drug store.

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—Magistrate Jay yesterday granted an application of the Children's Aid Society of Victoria for the legal custody and control of Francis Downey aged ten years. The child was left ten years ago by his father and has been cared for by the B. C. Protestant Orphons' home. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., M. P. P., appeared for the society.

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—Rev. Dr. Sipprell, principal of the Columbia College, New Westminster, will address the men's meeting to be held in the Y.M.C.A. on Sunday afternoon next on the subject, "A Live Message to Men." Miss Ella Cocker will be the soloist. All men are invited to attend.

—The death occurred at St. Mary's hospital, New Westminster, yesterday, of Chas. F. Butler. Deceased was born at Bury Farm, Saanich, and was in his 25th year. For some time he has resided at Chilliwack but on being taken sick he was removed to the Royal City. The late Mr. Butler was well known in Saanich. The remains will arrive from New Westminster tonight and be removed to the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors, whence the funeral will take place to-morrow morning. The cortege will then proceed to Saanich where interment will take place.

Santa Claus' Advice To You :-
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Friday Will Be Remnant Day in the Ribbon Department

Here is your chance to get Ribbons for fancy work, Hair Ribbons, etc. Remnants of all kinds of Plain Silk and Duchesse Ribbons, also fancy Dresden Ribbons—all widths and lengths. Short ends of quarter and half-yard lengths put up in bundles at 50c and ....25¢
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SILK BOWS, with neck band. Colors are pink, mauve, nile, rose, sky, brown and navy blue. Each ....25¢
SILK BOWS, with fancy jeweled gilt buckles and ends. Colors are Alice, reseda, nile, pale blue, mauve, emerald and navy blue. Each ....25¢
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ALL-SILK BOWS, accordeon bleated. Colors are reseda, brown, mauve, rose, sky and navy blue ....35¢
VELVET RIBBON BOWS, trimmed jet buttons. Colors are emerald, brown and navy blue ....35¢
FANCY DUCHESSE BOWS, pretty rosette shape with fancy ends. Colors are pink, sky, Alice, mauve, reseda, brown, moss, navy and black ....50¢

Friday's Sale of Children's Coats at Shop Early Prices

Friday we are giving every mother ample opportunity to purchase a coat for the little one. These range in sizes from 4 to 12 years, and are made of fine serges, etc., beautifully made and trimmed in various styles. Shades comprise nearly every one mentionable.

Children's Coats

Regular $10 to $16.50 for $8.75

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MEN'S SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, special value, size and quality. Either plain or with any initial embroidered in the corner, 50c, 35c ....25¢
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Local News

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—Something New.—Whole wheat bread with a soft crust, at the Central Bakery, City, 604 Yates street.

—Round Oak Hot Air Furnaces have taken the grand prize at A.-Y.-P. Exposition. Look them up at Watson & McGregor's, 647 Johnson street.

—Turkey and goose shoot at Colwood hotel (Dan Campbell's), Sunday, December 12th, 1909. All live birds, raised on Albert Wales' farm.

—Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs. for 25c. Mixed Peel, 15c per lb. Seeded Raisins, 10c per packet, or 11 for $1.00. Sultana Raisins, 10c per lb. E. B. Jones, corner Cook and North Park streets. Phone 712.

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—I. Waxstock, Broad street hall, will have every accommodation possible when the present contract is finished, which is nearing completion rapidly, its new features being a dining hall and balcony, dress rooms, and former dress rooms will be turned into spacious sitting room for spectators. The hall being steam heated, new and clean, makes this undoubtedly the most desirable hall in town.

—There will be a meeting in the sergeants' mess in the drill hall to-night at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

—Preparatory service will be held in the First Presbyterian church to-night at 8 o'clock. Dr. Campbell will conduct the service. A large attendance is earnestly requested.

—The meaning of St. Paul's words on the unworthy partaking of the Lord's Supper is a subject of interest to church members and non-church members. It will be discussed by the pastor in St. Andrew's church to-night at 8 o'clock.

—The monthly meeting of the board of trade is in session this afternoon. The subjects up for discussion are insurance, the building of a trans-provincial railway, the need for improvements in the inner harbor, and the establishment of the zinc industry in British Columbia.

—The voters of Oak Bay have increased in number 25 per cent. during the past year. The list has been prepared by Clerk Floyd and shows that last year the number of voters was 400, but this year it is 500. This is a very satisfactory condition of affairs and indicates the attractive nature of the district for residential purposes.

—Reports received at the public works department from the mainland show that the floods did much damage. The fine truss bridge on the Chilliwack river, six miles from that town, was carried away and the river bed appears to have widened permanently as much as 200 feet in the neighborhood. A new site will have to be chosen for the bridge.

—The city of Trail is having trouble in securing a supply of water. A few months ago it secured a water record on Cambridge Creek, which runs out of Violin Lake, but a lumber company operating on the lake claims to have a prior record on the creek and that the Trail record would virtually exhaust the water of the lake. They appealed to the government just before the election from the action of the government agent at Nelson and the case was set down for yesterday. None of the interested parties were in attendance and the matter was further adjourned until January 11th.

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—Charlotte Corday, at the Empress theatre, a beautiful story of the French Revolution. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

—The Pythian Sisters are giving a grand masquerade ball and tombola drawing on Wednesday evening, December 15th, in the A. O. U. W. hall. Special prizes are given by the Knights of Pythias for the best dressed lady and gentleman. All prizes are on exhibit in J. Barnsley's window on Government street.

—The Ladies' Society of St. Paul's Lutheran church is holding their annual Christmas bazaar in the A.O.U.W. hall this afternoon and evening. A pleasing array of needlework and woman's handicraft of many kinds is offered for sale. Refreshments are served by the young ladies. This evening a good programme will be given to which all are heartily invited.

—Miss Nina McMillan, who has been assistant in Spencer's mantle department for the past five years, has resigned her position and is to be married shortly. Her fellow employees, representatives of the different departments in Spencer's, held a very pleasant social gathering in the rest rooms recently, when they gave a linen shower in honor of their guest. Tea and cake were served and the rooms were very tastefully decorated with carnations and white ribbons. Many speeches were made, showing the esteem in which Miss McMillan was held, and all expressed their good wishes for the future happiness of the prospective bride. There were a number of songs, and the happy gathering broke up with the singing of "She's a Jolly Good Fellow."

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 9.—5 a. m.—An extensive storm area centred off Vancouver Island last night and is now passing into the Pacific states; heavy gales occurred on the outside waters, reaching an hourly wind velocity of 50 miles at the Columbia river. The rainfall has been excessive in many localities, especially in California, San Francisco reporting 1.40 inches, Los Angeles 2.62, and San Diego 1.46. East of the Rockies the pressure is giving way in Alberta, but an important area of high pressure is central in Manitoba and extending southward to Tennessee with low temperatures, recording 16 degrees of frost at Memphis.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Easterly winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland—Chiefly cloudy and cold, with occasional rain or sleet.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.24; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, .05; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.32; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, calm; rain, .06; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.32; temperature, 30; minimum, 24; wind, 6 miles E.; snow, .06; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.22; temperature, 12; minimum, 10; wind, calm; weather, snowing.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 8 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.36; temperature, 10 below; minimum, 14 below; wind, 10 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 30 below; minimum, 34 below; wind, 8 miles N.; weather, clear.

CONTRACT LET FOR LAMPSON STREET SCHOOL

Thomas Ashe Gets the Contract for New Building to Cost $14,800.

The new Lampson street school is to be built by Thomas Ashe, Foul Bay road, the contract having been awarded to him yesterday by the public works department.

Work is to begin at once and is to be hurried on to completion. Mr. Ashe guarantees a substantial and workmanlike job. The total contract price is $14,854, which includes the Rutley tubular furnace heating system. It will be of two stories and a basement, and the material is to be brick.

Three other school contracts have been awarded at the same time. Justus E. Williams gets the contract for a one-room school at Glenora, Cowichan district, at $1,190; Dennis McCarthy will build the Mount Begbie school at Revelstoke for $1,815; and Fred P. Rogers will put up a four-room school in Hastings township for $7,250.

TO GIVE DOLL.

Victoria Theatre Will Hold Drawing This Evening—Excellent Films to Be Shown.

At the Victoria theatre this evening the animated pictures will be shown again. The films this week are above the ordinary run of films shown in this city and are attracting good crowds. The entertainment this evening will commence at 8 o'clock and the doors will be open half an hour earlier. For the Saturday afternoon matinee the management has decided to present a handsome doll to the girl holding the lucky number. In order that every girl who enters the theatre will have a chance to win the prize, numbers will be given at the door and the drawing will take place on the stage during the entertainment, and will be done by some one selected from the audience. The matinee will commence at 2.30 o'clock, and all those desiring to have a ticket should be on hand early. The pictures will be shown again to-morrow evening, while on Saturday evening the pictures of the Johnson and Ketchell fight will be shown.

Private Christmas Cards

A pretty selection just received. We would like to draw your attention also to our

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LUTHERAN CHURCH TO BE INCORPORATED

Members of Congregation Elect Officers and Organize for Aggressive Work.

At the K. of P. hall last evening the Grace English Lutheran congregation elected its permanent officers and adopted the necessary by-law to the constitution. Though the weather was very unfavorable a large percentage of the members were present, which speaks well for their interest in the undertaking. The officers chosen were Mrs. L. Kaiser, vice-president; J. Klassen, secretary, and L. P. Fredrickson, treasurer. In addition to these officers seven deacons, three trustees and two wardens were elected. The term of office is fixed by the by-laws for the year ending January, 1911, excepting three of the deacons, who are to serve for two years.

Interest in the establishment of the congregation has steadily grown, till a list of nearly 200 adherents has been secured. The officers having now been elected and the organization completed it is expected that the work will develop even more rapidly than heretofore, when almost the entire responsibility rested upon the field secretary. The trustees have been instructed to take the necessary steps of incorporation, and will register the official name of the congregation as soon as possible.

VOTERS' LEAGUE AND THE MAYORALTY

Nomination to Be Made at Meeting To-morrow Evening.

The Voters' League will hold a meeting in connection with the forthcoming municipal elections in Pioneer hall, Broad street, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, when it is expected that a candidate for the mayoralty will be nominated. The platform of the league is as follows:

Whereas, in years past we, the residents of ward No.——, have had no organized movement for the purpose of selecting candidates for the office of aldermen, or of united action in support of our representatives:

And whereas, in the opinion of those present, it would be to the interest of this ward and the city at large if an organization were formed to choose alderman candidates and to support the representatives of the ward while in the council, and to formulate such plans for the advancement of the ward and the city as are deemed wise.

And whereas, the other wards are taking similar action, ward ——, here assembled, organize a Voters' League of ward —, and that we adopt the following platform as a guidance for future work:

1. The organization shall be known as the Voters' League of Ward ——.

2. The object of the league is to create a wider interest in the affairs of the city and to select the best men for municipal offices.

3. The members of the league shall be voters in this ward and shall agree to support the candidates selected by the organization; resident non-voters may become associate members.

4. The ward shall elect five representatives to a central committee for the purpose of selecting candidates for mayor and other general executive business. The nominee shall be chosen at a general meeting of all ward leaguers.

5. The organization shall hold meetings during the year for the purpose of assisting the aldermen and mayor in the various undertakings for the improvement of the city.

6. We approve of the establishment of a board of control, and also of the principle of referendum and recall.

—The Teachers' Institute of the city will meet at 2.30 on Friday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. This gathering will be made more than usually interesting owing to the fact that Principal Mackay, of Westminster Hall, Vancouver, will address the meeting on the subject, "Freedom and Authority in Education." There will be a musical programme given.

—On Monday evening last a contest conducted on Tuesday evening last in Semple's hall by Baxter Hive, I.O.O.F., was 42. The holder of the ticket will be presented with the doll by calling at the residence of Mrs. Hardie, 225 Skinner street.

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EXTRA FANCY SPANISH CLUSTER RAISINS, per pound, 50c and .....35¢
FANCY SHELLED ALMONDS, per pound ....40¢
FANCY SHELLED WALNUTS, per pound .....40¢
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FINE NEW WALNUTS, per pound .....25¢
NEW MIXED NUTS, per pound .....20¢
CHRISTIE'S FRUIT CAKES, 2-pound tin ....65¢
HUNTLEY & PALMER'S ICED FRUIT CAKES—
Each, 1-lb., 40c; 2-lb. .....75¢
PRESERVED GINGER, per jar .....50¢
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HUNTLEY & PALMER'S SMALL MIXED BISCUITS, per pound .....15¢
CHIVER'S PATENT CUSTARDS, one packet makes three custards, per packet .....15¢
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NEW VALENCIA RAISINS, per pound .....12½¢
PURE SPICES, all kinds, per tin .....10¢
GROUND ALMONDS, per pound.....60¢
ALMOND PASTE, per pound .....60¢
SHREDDED COCOANUT, per pound .....20¢
PURE GOLD PREPARED ICINGS, all kinds—
Per packet .....10¢
MINCEMEAT—WETHEY'S, per packet .....10¢
MINCEMEAT—CHIVER'S, per jar .....25¢
RAW OR DEMARARA SUGAR, 3½ lbs. for ..25¢
NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES, 2-lb. tin .....15¢
½-gallon tin, 35c; gallon tin .....65¢
CHOICE MALAGA GRAPES, per pound .....25¢
PURE NEW ZEALAND JAM, 4-lb. tin .....50¢
CHIVER'S PURE RASPBERRY OR STRAWBERRY JAM, 1-lb. glass jars, 2 for .....35¢
CHIVER'S PURE RASPBERRY OR STRAWBERRY JAM, 4-lb. tin .....60¢
CHIVER'S ORANGE MARMALADE, 1-lb. jar ...15¢
Or 4-lb. tin .....50¢
WAGSTAFF'S PURE JAMS, all kinds, 5-lb. tin 75¢
C. & B. MARMALADE, 2-lb tin .....25¢
ROYAL TABLE OR QUINCE MARMALADE, jar 25¢
ONTARIO JAM, 7-lb. wood pails, each .....65¢
ANTI-COMBINE JELLY POWDER, 4 pkts.....25¢
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COX'S SPARKLING GELATINE, per packet....10¢
ESSENCES—All flavors, per bottle, 50c, 35c and 25¢
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PURE LARD, 1-lb. pkt., 20c; 3-lb. tin, 50c; 5-lb. tin $1
NICE MILD CURED HAMS, per lb .....21¢
NICE MILD CURED BREAKFAST BACON, lb..25¢
TAIT'S ENGLISH GRANULATED SUGAR, 100-lb sack, $5.00; or 17 lbs. for $1
McLAREN'S IMPERIAL CHEESE, per jar, 50c and .....25¢
CANADA CREAM CHEESE, each .....10¢
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HUNTLEY & PALMER'S AND CHRISTIE'S BISCUITS, all kinds.
TETLEY'S LOOSE TEA, 4 pounds for $1.00
ANTI-COMBINE TEA, in lead packets, 3 lbs..$1.00
FINE ISLAND POTATOES, 100-lb. sack.....90¢
JOHNSON'S FLUID BEEF, 16-oz. bottle.....90¢
C. & B. SOUPS, all kinds, per tin.....30¢
C. & B. SOUP SQUARES, per packet .....15¢
C. & B. HERBS OR POULTRY DRESSING, bottle 20¢
POULTRY DRESSING, in tins, per tin .....10¢
GENUINE INDIAN CHUTNEY, quart bottle ....50¢
CALGARY RISING SUN BREAD FLOUR, sk..$1.75
PURE ONTARIO CLOVER HONEY, 5-lb. tin ..$1.00
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In addition to an offer to cover $300, Baylis money, on the outcome of the race, William Stanley sets out, and claims the championship at five miles' professional for British Columbia, which makes the match at the rink to-night between Baylis and Stanley more interesting, as Baylis has had ideas he was the championship five-mile runner of British Columbia, and more especially of the Island.

Baylis will certainly go after the title in fast time and make Stanley run all the way, so the fastest competition between the two runners can be expected. When they met at the horse show ring, Stanley got a lead on Baylis in the first two miles, which Baylis went after in the fourth mile, and picked up. Both the men can run hard and fast, and the long expected match looks like an express speed being made from start to finish.

The men will be on the floor at 9 o'clock ready to commence the race, and it will be finished before 9.30. It should be speed all the way.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA v. VANCOUVER.

Victoria Rugby team goes to Vancouver December 18th to play in the third game of the McKechnie cup series. The second game was postponed and will be played here later, so Victoria will have two consecutive matches at home.

BAYS v. VICTORIA.

The Bays and Victoria will play a practice game on Saturday at the Oak Bay ground. The Bays hold a practice to-night at the club house, James Bay.

BILLIARDS.

TOURNAMENT FINAL.

Taylor and Youle play to-night for the final of the Empress billiard handicap. Taylor is plus 45 and Youl plus 50. The semi-final was won last night by Taylor from Paget Ford plus 75, by 80 points. The games are 250 up.

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A. O. F. MUST WIN TO REMAIN IN RUNNING

Hard and Fast Game Promised at Royal Park Saturday.

In the senior grade of the Victoria and District Association Football League there are two teams in the running for the first place. These are the Victoria West, last year's champions, and the Foresters. Victoria West at present leads with twelve points for six games, not having suffered a defeat this season, and the A. O. F. has won three, drawn two and lost one.

The A. O. F. and Victoria West have two games each to play, and if the A. O. F. can win both and Victoria West is defeated in both, these teams will tie for the premiership and will have to play off for the title.

On Saturday at Royal Athletic ground both these teams in the running will meet, and A. O. F. will get the chance to remain in the running by beating their opponents. If on the other hand Victoria West wins it will have the premier position secured for another year.

The teams met at Oak Bay on November 6th, when the A. O. F. had out a weak side and was defeated by five goals to one. Since that time the newcomers in the league have got their team in shape and have been putting up a good brand of soccer without sustaining a loss. Two draws during the season, one with Esquimalt and one with the Garrison, put the team in a harder position, for to have won one of those games would have given them an advantage of a point should they get within striking distance of the top of the premiership pole.

The A. O. F., however, still has a chance, and if the team plays good enough football against the clever western organization to win, it should be able to win the other game. Victoria West has a postponed match against the J. B. A. A. for which a date has to be set and this game will be played if the A. O. F. succeed in getting on an equality with the leaders. If they don't there will be no necessity for the Victoria West-J. B. A. A. match, as the result could not alter the standing of the clubs.

Second Division.

In the second division Beacon Hill leads from North Ward on points, but is the same on percentage, as the Beacon Hill team has played two more games than North Ward. Each of these teams have lost but one game. There are, however, eight games unplayed in this league that have been postponed, and there are still twenty matches on the original schedule to be played off, so that it is yet too early to assume that any one team has the advantage.

On Saturday in the second division the matches are: Esquimalt and Fifth Regiment, Victoria West and North Ward, Esquimalt and Baraca, Beacon Hill and Y. M. C. A.

English Cup Draw.

The draw for the first round of the English Association cup has resulted as follows:

Blackheath vs. Barnsley.
Notts County vs. Bradford City.
Arsenal vs. Watford.
Chelsea vs. Hull.
Middleborough vs. Everton.
Leyton vs. New Brompton.
Bradford vs. Bishop Auckland or South Bank.
Chesterfield vs. Fulham.
West Bromwich Albion vs. Clapton Orient.
Gainsborough vs. South Bend.
Preston vs. Coventry.
Birmingham vs. Leicester Fosse.
Plymouth Argyll vs. Hotspurs.
Westham vs. Mexbro or Carlisle.
Workington vs. Manchester City.
Stockport vs. Bolton.
Grimsby vs. Bristol Rovers.
Reading vs. Leeds City.
Derby County vs. Millwall.
Notts Forest vs. Sheffield United.
Bristol City vs. Liverpool.
Brighton vs. Southampton.
Stoke or Exeter vs. Newcastle.
Bury vs. Glossop.
Portsmouth vs. Clapton or Shrewsbury.
Norwich vs. Queen's Park Rangers.
Fulham vs. Swindon.
Oldham vs. Aston Villa.
Accrington or Stanley vs. Blackburn.
Northampton vs. Sheffield Wednesday.
Burnley vs. Manchester United.

PEARCE AND BARRY TO ROW ON THAMES

Australian and Englishman in Match Next July.

Professional sculling, which has made great headway in England during the last year will have a further impetus given it during next summer when Harry Pearce, Australia's crack sculler, meets Ernest Barry on the Thames.

A match between the two has been talked of for some time and it is now being arranged, Pearce having challenged Barry to row for the championship of England and Australia. The Australian is willing to go to England and meet Barry, and they will probably row in July next year.

ATHLETICS

FIFTH REGIMENT ASSOCIATION.

The Fifth Regiment Athletic Association meets at the drill hall to-night. The members have business to discuss regarding the soccer teams' chances in the second division. They will also take up the matter of a basketball team for the second division of the league. The gymnasium opening will be taken up also.

Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL ROAD RACE ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

Many Promising Local Athletes to Figure in This Event.

One of the leading foot races of the year will be run on the morning of New Year's Day. The race, which is an annual one, is held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. and under the sanction of the B. C. A. A. U. This race is expected to surpass all past meets both in regard to the number of entries and the time. Although the time of 35.30 made by Frank Baylis at the last race was considered very fast, it is expected that the participants in the race this year will make faster time than that.

Louie Beckwith, who ran second to Baylis in the race, being nineteen seconds slower, will not be seen in the coming race. He has decided to quit the long distances and is going in for the mile runs, at which he has had considerable success during the past summer.

Among those who will start in the C. Johnson, O. Dinsdale, F. Wallis, J. Sweeney and G. Kersey, all representing the Y. M. C. A., C. Jasper, Esquimalt Athletic Club; C. Carroll, J. B. A. A.; and C. Brown, V. W. A. A. That this lot of runners will make a fast race out of it is certain, as all are training hard and will put up the best that is in them.

The prizes for the race will embrace a challenge cup presented by Mayor Hall, and which has been won twice in succession by Baylis for first place, a cup given by H. A. S. Morley for second place, and a silver medal offered by the Y. M. C. A. for third place.

The race, which is over a distance of approximately six and one-half miles, will start at 10.30 a. m. in front of the association rooms, Broad street, proceeding to Yates street, down Yates street to Government street, along Government to Belleville street. The athletes will then prance along Belleville street to the Pendray Soap works. They will then head for the Dallas road. Proceeding along Dallas road to Beacon Hill, they will circle the track there twice and return via Douglas street, thence to Government street, along Government to Fort street, up Fort street Broad street and along Broad, finishing at the Y. M. C. A.

The course will be flagged off so as to direct the runners, while an automobile will follow behind to gather in the stragglers, if there are any. The officials for the race have not yet been chosen. Mayor Hall will likely start the race.

Empress Road Race.

The Empress Athletic Club has planned another road race to take place Tuesday, December 21st at Beacon Hill. The distance is three miles and already there are fifteen entries in. The club has put up a handsome silver medal for the winner. The race is for Empress Club members only.

Christmas Day Race.

The entries for the Empress Christmas Day race are being received by Secretary Lucas at the Empress Club rooms and at the hotel. The men already entered are among the best amateur runners in Victoria, but more entries are wanted. A handsome cup has been donated by W. H. Wilkerson for the winner and there are medals for second and third men.

BASKETBALL.

SEATTLE Y. M. C. A.

A week from to-night the Seattle Y. M. C. A. basketball team will be here to play the return game against the Victoria Y. M. C. A. at the Assembly rink. The first game, played a few weeks back, was won by Seattle. The Victoria team is breaking into form by steady training, and expects to reverse the conditions of the last game. In a practice game last night the Y. M. C. A. beat the Bank Clerks by 28 to 20.

ATHLETICS.

INDOOR TELEGRAPHIC MEET.

The Puget Sound Y. M. C. A. athletic directors are planning an indoor track meet for all the cities. The events will be run in the respective cities and the results wired to all by telegraph. The times and distances of the events will decide the points to be awarded, and the majority from all events decide the winning team. The programme includes 120 yards potato race, 440 yards potato race, running high jump, pole vault and twelve-pound throw.

(See also page 16.)

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BIG DEAL MADE ON GOVERNMENT STREET

Belmont Property Changes Hands for Sum of $100,000.

A. W. Bridgman, the Government street realty agent, confirms the sale of what is popularly known as the Belmont property, situated on the north-east corner of Government and Humboldt streets, by a Winnipeg syndicate, which acquired it about two years ago from the Loewen estate, to local parties. The consideration was approximately $100,000. Mr. Bridgman is not at liberty to disclose the names of the purchasing parties or their plans. He denies, however, that it is contemplated to erect an office building, as has been stated, no decision having yet been reached in the matter.

The property is conceded to be perhaps the choicest business site in the city. It overlooks the harbor, is just opposite the postoffice and close to the Empress hotel and the parliament buildings, and the outlook is a magnificent one. There are two lots with a frontage of 70 feet on Government street, 140 on Humboldt street and 100 on Gordon street, at the rear.

It would make a splendid site for another fine hotel or a fine office building for the C.P.R., who could thus centralize their business in this city. This transfer will have a stimulating effect on building operations on Government street, as it is certain that a fine block will go up on the property which has just been sold.

Mr. Bridgman mentions that it is his intention to proceed himself with the erection of a fine office building on the site of his present offices on Government street, the owner of the next door property, now occupied by Redfern, joining with him in the enterprise. Nothing can be done, however, in this direction until the lease of the Redfern premises expires in about a year.

Max Leiser has purchased the lot on the corner of Blanchard and Johnson streets, through Mr. Bridgman, for $20,000, and Leeming Bros. report the sale of 50 feet frontage on Fort street, known as the Berkeley property, for $11,000.

The A.O.U.W. hall has been purchased by Mr. Mitchell, of the firm of Mitchell & Greenwood. Captain J. D. Warren owned a controlling interest in the property for some time, but there was some difficulty about the title or a sale would have been made long ago. The property was not purchased direct from Captain Warren by Mr. Mitchell, he having been just to late to get the first buy, and having to pay $2,000 advance over the original price.

REFUSE TRANSFER OF GORGE LIQUOR LICENSE

Proprietor of Victoria Gardens Granted Renewal in Present Location.

The South Saanich licensing board yesterday afternoon refused a transfer of a saloon license applied for by W. Paterson, licensee of the Victoria Gardens at the Gorge, who desired to remove his place of business to a location between the present site and the Craigflower road bridge, the old Loewen property. The application was protested against by a large majority of the residents of the Saanich district, who presented a signed petition in opposition to the transfer being given.

The board, however, granted a renewal of the license now held by Paterson for the house known as the Victoria Gardens.

The board transferred the license of the Prairie hotel, Saanich, from John Southwell to Eno Sage.

The licensing board consisted of Reeve Quick, Counsellors Haldon and Scott, and A Strachan and W. S. Loveland.

AMATEUR PLAY.

Victoria West Dramatic Society Give Entertainment.

A very successful performance of "Bound by an Oath" was given last night by the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society at Semple's hall before a large and appreciative audience. The cast was as follows, all the parts being taken in an efficient manner: Philip Raymond, a blind miller, A. Colby; Jacob Johnson, a speculator, H. Slatford; Seth Randolph, a vagabond, A. Semple; Edward Le Roy, in love with Mabel, G. Andrews; Elias Amsden, "Bound by an Oath," C. Stokes; Sambo, servant to Jacob, F. Jenkins; Prucilla Johnson, sister to Jacob, Miss M. Blake; Luck Snuff, a lone widow, Mrs. A. Colby; Mrs. Raymond, wife of Philip, Mrs. Jenkinson; Mabel Raymond, daughter of Philip, Miss Leigh; officers, etc.

Music was supplied by Miss Harris' orchestra, which enlivened the intervals between the acts. The performance will be repeated to-night at 8 p.m. and will be followed by a dance.

—The largest stock of sheet music and musical publications in Victoria. The very latest and most popular will be on sale Saturday at the new music store, 1104 Government street.

—Victorians who are the fortunate possessors in any marketable quantity of holly are now reaping their annual harvest. Large shipments are being made to Seattle and San Francisco, and the demand is said to exceed the supply. A considerable quantity is also consumed locally and the prices obtained are very remunerative.

W. E. OLIVER TO SPEAK TO-NIGHT

Mayoralty Candidate to Address Meeting in Pioneer Hall.

W. E. Oliver will this evening address a public meeting in Pioneer hall, when he will outline his platform for the mayoralty. A cordial invitation is extended to all electors to be present and Mr. Oliver promises opportunity for a full and free discussion of all the issues which are now engaging the attention of the citizens of Victoria relative to municipal government.

Mr. Oliver is arranging to hold a meeting in the South Park school, James Bay district, on Wednesday evening next. A meeting will be held at Spring Ridge also.

Ald. Turner has an energetic committee at work and is waging an aggressive campaign. Ald. Henderson, the other candidate for the mayoralty, is conducting a quiet canvass of the electors.

FIRE RAGING IN PRAIRIE CAPITAL

High Wind and Cold Weather Hamper Efforts of the Fireme.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 9.—Fire which broke out at 2 o'clock this afternoon threatens to destroy the W. B. Sterling furniture warehouse at Fort and Graham streets.

The building is a seven-story one, and firemen are greatly hampered by the cold, the weather being 31 degrees below zero.

A large warehouse of the Leslie company is also burning, and a serious conflagration is threatened as the flames are fanned by high wind.

THIRTY-ONE BELOW ZERO AT WINNIPEG

First Real Cold Snap of the Season Strikes Prairie Province.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 9.—Frozen noses, ears and finger tips, with woeful tales of burst water pipes this morning indicated that the first real cold snap of the season had come, for at 9 o'clock the mercury stood at 31 below zero, three points below last night's minimum temperature, and with prospects of the weather being colder still owing to a stiff north wind.

Winnipeg folks of all classes, however, are not to be caught napping by Jack Frost, and probably very little real distress exists. In fact, though it is yet early to judge, with much building still in progress, it appears that unemployment is below normal for this season.

TWO MEN FROZEIN TO DEATH IN COLORADO

Two Others Found Unconscious From Cold in Denver and May Die.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Denver, Col., Dec. 9.—Two men are dead and two others are supposed to be dying as the result of the cold wave that is sweeping Colorado.

The driver of a stage between Hanna and Lee, Wyo., and his only passenger were found dead near the latter place late yesterday, according to news received here. The bodies of both were frozen stiff.

Early to-day two unidentified men were found in the streets unconscious from the cold. They were taken to a hospital where it was stated they probably would die.

MEETING OF LUMBERMEN.

Convention Will Probably Have Important Influence on Industry in West.

Vancouver, Dec. 9.—The convention of Western Canada lumber manufacturers, which will be held at Vancouver to-morrow at the invitation of the Coast Lumber Manfacturers' Association, is likely to have an important influence upon the future of the lumber industry in Western Canada. Some of the delegates who will be present hail from as far east as the Great Lakes, and this convention will discuss questions which are of paramount importance to this, one of the greatest of British Columbia's industries.

—A special meeting of the board of directors of the Jubilee hospital was held last night for the purpose of confirming the action of the resident secretary in changing the kitchen staff. The requisite confirmation was given and the meeting then adjourned, after meeting only a few minutes.

—The funeral of the late John Perett took place this morning at 8.45 o'clock from the Victoria undertaking parlors, Yates street, and at 9 o'clock at the Roman Catholic church, where Rev. Father Laterme conducted an impressive service. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends and many beautiful floral designs were presented. The following acted as pallbearers: T. Gray, W. P. Smith, J. Cummings, Jas. Grant and E. Tribe, of the Empress hotel staff, and H. Carter.

LAKE STEAMER GOES ON ROCKS

FIVE PERISH IN WRECK OF W. C. RICHARDSON

Fourteen Survivors Have Been Landed at Buffalo.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 9.—The steamer W. C. Richardson went on the rocks three miles out of this port this morning and five men were drowned. Rescuers have reached here with 14 survivors.

Samuel Mayberry, of Cleveland, and four members of the engine room crew were drowned, but the bodies have not been recovered.

The Richardson was bound from Duluth to Buffalo and carried a cargo of flaxseed invoiced at $370,000. She was the property of the Richardson Transportation Company of Cleveland and was valued at $200,000.

Tug Overdue.

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 9.—It is believed to-day that the tug Jimmie, which carried a crew of six men in addition to Captain John Allen, has foundered in the storm that has been sweeping the gulf for the last two days.

The Jimmie left Galveston for Beaumont on Saturday and has not been heard from since. The tug Coe was dispatched in search of her to-day.

CAPTAIN REPORTS LOSS OF HIS SHIP

The Johanna, Loaded With Sugar—Fate of Number of Sailors Unknown.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 9.—Officials of the Anglo-American Oil Company, a Standard Oil subsidiary organization, are making every effort to-day to establish communication with Captain Nickerson, of the company's ship Johanna. Nickerson cabled last evening from Samana, Santo Domingo, that the ship had foundered. Requests for more details were unanswered.

In his brief message to the local offices of the Anglo-American company, Nickerson stated that the starboard watch had landed safely. He made no mention of the other members of the crew and neglected to tell the locality of the wreck.

The Johanna was a British ship and was bound to New York from the Philippines, carrying a cargo of sugar valued at $125,000. She carried a crew of 21 men, besides the officers.

CELTIC CHIEF IS FLOATED BY CRUISER

Pulled Off Beach Near Honolulu After Being Aground for Several Days.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Honolulu, Dec. 9.—The British ship Celtic Chief, which ran aground at the entrance of the harbor several days ago, was pulled off the beach at an early hour to-day by the German cruiser Arcona. The Celtic Chief was entering port with a cargo from Hamburg when she missed the channel and lodged. There was practically no damage.

SIX DAYS' BICYCLE RACE.

Number of Riders, Unable to Stand the Pace, are Forced to Retire.

New York, Dec. 9.—Patrick Deegan, the team mate of Frank Galvin of this city, in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, collapsed early to-day and was removed from the track by order of the physicians. This was the first team to be retired thus far in the contest.

At 8 o'clock this morning the leaders were eleven miles and eight laps ahead of the record set last year by Hill and De Mara, having covered 1,575 miles.

As a result of the pace set last night by Clark, the Australian team mate of Floyd McFarland, of San Jose, Cal., Rutt and Stole were forced to retire to-day. Stole's legs had given out.

The sprint, which proved the mettle of the riders, was started by Clark. He rode to the top of the embankment, and with the momentum given by the downward shoot landed himself a quarter of a lap ahead of the field before the other riders were aware of his intentions. This forced the other men to sprint for a long distance to overcome the lead.

KING LEOPOLD'S CONDITION.

Brussels, Dec. 9.—The condition of King Leopold of Belgium, who is said to be suffering from paralysis, is not improved to-day, and fears are expressed that he will not recover.

The monarch was unconscious for two hours this morning and was revived only by the application of stimulants. The court physicians are in constant attendance at his bedside.

NO JURISDICTION.

Arbitration Board Cannot Intervene in Australian Miners' Strike.

Sydney, Dec. 9.—The Commonwealth arbitration board has decided that it has no jurisdiction to intervene in the miners' strike.

BORN.

NOBBS—On the 8th inst., the wife of Henry Nobbs, 259 Ellice street, of a daughter.

DIED.

McDONALD—At North Saanich, on the 8th inst., Johan McDonald, relict of the late Donald McDonald, a native of Inverness, Scotland, and 55 years of age.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 p.m. from the family residence, North Saanich.

Friends please accept this intimation.

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$35 A MONTH will buy a lovely new home containing 6 rooms and conservatory, very cosy and convenient; desirable locality; a bargain. Apply 1924 Belmont Ave. d9

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WANTED—S. A. Scrip, best price paid. General Agency Corporation, 344 Granville street, Vancouver, B. C. d15

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FOR RENT—Modern 6 roomed cottage, 1053 Mears street. d15

WANTED—Experienced (lady) bookkeeper for grocery store. Box 861, Times. d11

FOR SALE—A good chance of buying 3 splendid building lots, close in, at $550 each, on easy terms; prices are on the rise now and these are below market value. Apply owner, P. O. Box 236. d9

FOR SALE—A story and a half bungalow, just completed, piped for furnace, and all modern improvements; will sell at $3,600; worth $4,000. Apply owner, P. O. Box 236. d9

FOR SALE—6 acres, with cottage, on Monterey avenue, Oak Bay; this can be bought at a snap for quick turn over. Apply Green & Burdick Bros. d9

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KITCHEN CUPBOARDS and all kinds of furniture made and repaired. Jones, carpenter and cabinet maker, Yates and Vancouver. d9

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN WILLIAM LAING, M. A., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claims against the estate of John William Laing, M. A., late of the Collegiate School, Victoria, B. C., who died on the 23rd October, 1909, and whose will was proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the 26th November, 1909, by the executrix, are required to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned, solicitors for the executrix, on or before the 10th February, 1910, after which date the executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1909.

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MR. W. E. OLIVER

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THURSDAY, DEC. 9th.

At 8 P. M.

In support of his candidature for Mayor.

Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company

SEALED TENDERS

Marked "tender for excavation, wharves, trestles and warehouses at Victoria, B. C.," will be received up to twelve o'clock noon, December 16th, 1909, covering the excavation of earth and rock and the construction of pile wharves, trestles and warehouses at Victoria, B. C.

Plans, specifications and forms of tender may be seen on and after Friday, December 10th, 1909, at the office of G. A. McNicholl, purchasing agent, room 24 Imperial Block, Vancouver, B. C.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque for $2,000 on a chartered bank of Canada.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on forms supplied. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. For further information apply to G. A. McNicholl, Purchasing Agent, Vancouver, B. C.

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Table No. 2 has over 100 pairs of Ladies' finest Kid Boots, turn and welt soles. A number of styles to choose from. The best makes are represented. None sold regularly at less than $5. To-morrow's price

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CHRISTMAS AT THE JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Woman's Auxiliary Society Makes Arrangements for the Holidays.

At a meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Society of the Jubilee hospital, Christmas work was discussed and the usual grant made to provide holiday fare for the patients, Mrs. Dalby and Mrs. Richard Janion kindly consenting to be a purchasing committee. It was announced that Mrs. Pemberton hoped to have the new chapel open during the holidays, and it was unanimously agreed to make the occasion a special event and to provide entertainment for all visitors.

Mrs. C. W. Rhodes occupied the chair. A letter was received from Mrs. Smart, leader of the Happy Seaside Circle, King's Daughtres, Metchosin, contributing $5 for the fund towards the maternity ward. The directors of the Jubilee hospital wrote accepting the offer of the society to build a room wherein to install the new X-ray apparatus. Accounts for the half-year—June 1st to December 1st—showed receipts to be $1,135.10 and liabilities $813.55.

Miss Meyer was appointed to the position of literary secretary. Any members or friends desiring local views to send away for Christmas are asked to communicate with Miss Meyer.

All members are reminded that donations of holly, evergreens and flowers and small gifts and ornaments for the Christmas trees will be gratefully received at the hospital.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Chicago, Dec. 9.—The Illinois Association, in its campaign against woman suffrage, has issued a bulletin entitled, "The Campaign of Noise." It reads:

"In some states, including Illinois, the property rights of women are actually superior to those of men. Women all over the coutry are asking with some apprehension, 'Is the twentieth century to be an epoch of demoralized men and denatured women?'

"When the suffragists forsake sound argument and betake themselves to a campaign of noise and spectacular demonstration, do they not lay themselves open to the charge of being allied with the elements of decadence and misrule rather than those of good sense and sound government?"

The annual cost of the present British navy is $161,597,500, while ships to the value of close upon $40,000,000 are at present under construction.

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PEARY'S OWN STORY.

It seems probably that many years will pass before an author receives a higher price for his literary product than Commander Robert E. Peary receives from Hampton's Magazine for his own story of the discovery of the North Pole.

This feature cost Hampton's a clean, cool $50,000. No rate per word is specified in the contract, but it is generally estimated that Commander Peary is receiving $1.18 cash for each word that he writes for Hampton's Magazine. Benj. B. Hampton, editor of the magazine, makes this statement:

"If you have a desire to estimate the rate per word that will be earned by Peary with his North Pole story, you would be safer in placing it at $2.50 per word than $1.20. We have bought only American and Canadian magazine rights, and Stokes' book rights cover only these countries. That leaves all the foreign rights to sell. When they are figured up the totals should amount to $100,000 or even $150,000.

"The revenue from his books and magazine work could be generally increased by lecturing, if Peary's friends can persuade him to go on the platform. He has had offers that would net him $100,000 for the first year's work, or more, if he would be willing to stick to it for several consecutive months. He has received offers from many of the leading cities of the country, guaranteeing him as high as $5,000 for a single lecture.

"Up to the present time he has not completed any lecture arrangements, but it is believed that he may be persuaded to do so within a few weeks. The chief difficulty seems to be that this man, who has been living in the frozen North eighteen out of the last twenty-three years, has a genuine diffidence about exhibiting himself to the public. Peary is a scientist first, last and all the time. He values his scientific achievements as of more importance than the opportunity to make money. He will do nothing that does not coincide with his rigid ideals of a scientist's dignity. For example, he has declined offers from moving picture men, who want to show his Polar photographs, and offers from talking concerns that want a few reels of talk to retail throughout the country, offers which amount to a tidy fortune."

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Capacity houses were the rule last night at both performances at the Pantages theatre, and the large audiences were well pleased with the splendid programme that was presented. The offering this week cannot fail to call for full houses at each performance. Sytz and Sytz, high class barrel jumpers, who without a doubt are the best in their line, are a great attraction. Nip and Tuck are a clever pair of acrobats, who do a knock-about act, but at the same time some very difficult acts that always get a very large applause. Miss Josephine Segal has a very neat musical act. M. J. Hooley is a very clever Irish comedian. Elwell has a fine picture song, and the biograph closes a bill this week that ought to be seen.

Social and Personal

J. E. Buller sailed for Vancouver last night.

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Miss Smith is visiting friends in Vancouver.

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Geo. L. Courtney left last night for Seattle.

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A. Carss is on a visit to his friends in Vancouver.

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Miss Adams of this city, is visiting friends in Seattle.

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R. Van Horne, of Seattle, is spending several days in this city.

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C. C. Michener went over to Seattle last night on a business trip.

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W. H. Dempster left last night for Vancouver on a business trip.

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Miss Hunt and Miss Gunn were passengers for Vancouver last night.

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P. McDermott returned to this city from Seattle yesterday afternoon.

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Col. Tracy crossed over to the mainland last night on the Princess Victoria.

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Hon. Richard McBride returned from a visit to California yesterday afternoon.

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W. Fleet returned from Seattle yesterday where he has been on a business trip.

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Miss Whitehead and Miss Lowds will leave on Friday evening next for the west coast.

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E. C. Gibbons was among the passengers for Seattle last night on the Princess Charlotte.

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Miss S. Hooper, who has been visiting friends in Seattle, returned to this city yesterday.

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Major Nicholles returned from Seattle yesterday, where he has been spending some time.

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Mrs. W. Cunningham and Mrs. M. B. Holland were passengers from Seattle yesterday.

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Among the passengers from Seattle yesterday were: G. Cooper, H. Burton and A. Graham.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dawson were passengers for Vancouver last night on the Princess Victoria.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Moore were passengers from Seattle yesterday on the Princess Victoria.

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Miss Maud Underhill, who has been on a visit to Sound points, returned to this city yesterday.

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L. W. Stratford, M.P.P., after spending some days in the city, left for Similkameen last night.

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Miss F. Pauline, who has been spending several days in Seattle visiting friends, returned to this city yesterday.

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Miss A. Holmes, Miss R. Crawford and Miss B. Hall were among yesterday's arrivals from Seattle.

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H. M. Rose, of Vancouver, after spending several days in this city, left last night for his home in the Terminal city.

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W. Blakemore, H. Behnson, J. S. H. Matson, H. B. Thomson, B. F. Green, C. S. Baxter and W. H. Price and a number of others left last night for Kamloops to attend the Conservative convention to be held there.

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The engagement has been announced between Miss Emily Nicholles, third daughter of Major and Mrs. Nicholles, Med'na street, Victroia, and Mr. M. M. English, of New Westminster. The marriage will take place early in the New Year.

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At the Metropolitan Methodist parsonage the marriage of Mr. William Peter Sinclair, of Cadboro Bay, and Miss Janet Brown, of this city, took place yesterday, Rev. T. E. Holling performing the ceremony. Miss Katherine Marrion supported the bride, while Mr. T. J. Marrion performed a like office for the groom. The young couple will take up their residence at Cadboro Bay.

NEW GRAND THEATRE.

The Margesons made their first appearance at the New Grand this week in a clever comic sketch and scored a distinct success with singing and dancing. The audience were more than delighted with the singing, while the dancing calls for an encore. The balance of the act is a pleasant pot pourri of music and singing, which is being acceptably received.

Hall and Sylviany, a pair of unusually clever performers on the unicycle, have the big turn of this week's bill, causing the theatre to ring with applause while the exceptional feats are being accomplished. Hall does everything on the high wheel that can be done except stand on his head, and for half the performance carries the lady round the ring on his head and shoulders while riding both the double and single wheels and while riding the single wheel down stairs. This last looks a particularly dangerous act, but is taken by the pair with the same ease and skill as the easier parts of the turn are accomplished.

A third good and interest attracting turn is Mont Peters on the slack wire, who swings a pair of clubs, juggles with three balls and strips himself of a whole suit of clothes without once leaving the wire. He finished the clever act by taking a handkerchief off the wire while kneeling upon it.

O. U. Fultz as a cornet player is good and he adds amusement to the show with a little interesting patter. Thos. J. Price singing "I'd Live and I Would Die For You," and the moving pictures make up the rest of this week's bill. Both the latter numbers are being well received.

In the building and completing of a Dreadnought daily work is afforded for between 1,000 and 1,500 skilled men. The total cost of such a ship is $9,750,000.

INFLUENCE OF MAN IN THE HOME LIFE

Should Be Able to Give Family New Views of Affairs.

The man who spends eight or ten hours a day away from home ought to be able on his return to tell his family something of intellectual or moral interest to them, and to improve the talk about the family table, or with visitors in the presence of the children. The wife has been shut up in the house all day and may have seen few people beside the children. Indeed, the wife and children are often, under modern conditions, very much isolated in their work, sentiments and interests and are greatly in need of the husbnd's and father's help in enlarging their sympathies and range of vision, writes Dr. Charles Eliot, of Harvard, in the Girls' Own Paper.

The man has had much better opportunity for observing the weather, the condition of business, other human beings or the process of his trade or profession. He ought to be able to give wife and children something new, which transcends the interests of the home and carries the wife and children in imagination out into the greater world of nature, business or politics.

In such talk we will incidentally and unconsciously impart to them his own moral and religious ideals. If the man of the family has had an elementary education, and has acquired a taste for reading, he can co-operate with his wife in directing the reading of the children, and imparting to them the taste which has been to himself the source of much enjoyment and wisdom. If he is the superior of his wife in this respect, there is all the more reason that he should strive earnestly to pass on to his children the delight in reading.

The first thing for the father to do in his family is to re-enforce the moral and intellectual influence of the mother with the children. Children are deeply affected by the conduct of their father towards their mother. They are affected on the spot and at the time, and will be affected all their lives by the remembrance of the relations between their father and their mother. The man of the family by his own manners to his wife can put into his children's minds and hearts either good or evil, which will go with them all their days.

To set an example of courtesy, gentleness and disinterestedness in the household is as great a service as a thoughtful man can render to his children; and this is a service which improves and sanctifies him who renders it. The value of such an example in terms of happiness will be best appreciated by those who have seen the horrible effects in a family of brutality, coarseness, selfishness or vice in the father.

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ANNUAL SALE OF WORK IS SUCCESS

Junior Workers of Christ Church Entertain Many Purchasers.

The annual sale of work, held yesterday under the auspices of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church cathedral, was a great success. There was a very large attendance of purchasers and the receipts were beyond expectation. Tea was served by Miss Ramsdale and the following girls: Marjorie Tait, Dorothy Durick, Marion Muir, Marjorie Rant and Mildred Crowe. In the evening a very enjoyable concert was given. Great credit is due Miss Ramsdale and the president, Miss Wollaston, for the success which attended their efforts in the training of the young ladies in the execution of fancy work.

The fancy work table was presided over by Mrs. Wollaston, assisted by Misses Grace Earsman, Annie Sherburn, Winnie Winterburn, Florence Turner and Olive Tubman.

The table of sweets was in charge of Mrs. Nivin and Miss Raper and the helpers were Victoria Robinson, Audry Rant, Gwenyth Rant and Alison Crowe. Mrs. Elkington had the twenty-five cent counter with Emma Butler, Katie Wheatley, Alice and Ethel Whitwell, Dorothy Blakenbach and Vivian Chapman.

Miss Phyllis Wollaston, at the variety counter, had as assistants, Jessie Winterburn, Margaret Dangerfield and Gertie Muir, and the articles from Miss Lettice's clothesline were delivered by Evelyn Lang, Mary Winkler and Grace Phinley.

What Other People Think

ABOUT CHEAP LABOR.

To the Editor:—In Wednesday's Times "A. B. C." writes about wanting Chinamen. I would like to take "A. B. C." down Chinatown and show him that there are more yellow mongrels than Victoria can give employment to, also a walk around town will show "A. B. C." that many white men are out of employment. How can white men work cheap when men of "A. B. C.'s" class are here to knock the city by writing letters for cheap labor? People will not come to a city that is full of Chinks. And any man who writes such a disgraceful letter to be read by others should sign his name. Never write anything that you are ashamed to put you name to.

H. M. WALKER.
315 Delta St., Victoria, B. C., Dec. 8th.

"A.'S" COMPLIMENTS TO MR. HANNA.

To the Editor:—I wish to thank our genial friend, Hanna, for his very learned and lucid explanation of the principles of his latest panacea for all our municipal ills, which he gives in his letter published in your issue of the 7th inst. It is true he indulges in a good deal of withering sarcasm at the expense of your poor anonymous correspondent, and displays more or less ill-temper in his attempt to put a quietus upon all newspaper writers, editorial and otherwise, who have the hardihood to question the absolute infallibility or anything he may say or do. This, however, was to be expected. It is one of the eccentricities of genius. All great men have their weaknesses. There was Burns and Byron and Nelson, and hundreds of others that might be mentioned, all of them giants in some ways, but weak as water in others. So we are prepared to accept these outbursts of temper from our great men and attribute them to the eccentricities of genius.

There is one thing I wish our friend would not do—that is, write such interminably long sentences. Before one gets to the end of one of his sentences he forgets what the first part is about. The last sentence in his letter of the 7th fills twenty lines of closely set type and contains one hundred and fifty-two words. That is another evidence of genius. Demosthenes used to write sentences that long. I have read the sentence over several times, and I intend to have another try at it some rainy Sunday. I am sure the words have some meaning, but as yet I have been unable to discover it.

Our friend is pretty severe on poor anonymous scribblers. Well, perhaps, they deserve it. One thing might be said in their defence, however. Some of the best things that were ever printed in the English language were written and published anonymously. There were the letters of Junius, for instance, the letters of Agricola, a good deal of the earlier writings of Scott, all of the works that we attribute to Shakespeare, George Eliot, Mark Twain and hundreds of others. Come to think of it, the anonymous writer is in pretty good company. I am sure, too, that if friend Hanna were to publish his letters anonymously the general public would have a much higher opinion of the amount and quality of the grey matter he carries around in his brain box, for if published anonymously no one would ever attribute to our genial and highly esteemed ex-alderman the stuff that occasionally appears in the press over his name. A.

ORIENTAL LABOR.

To the Editor:—Being a very humble citizen, I never thought I should have the nerve to buck against other people's opinions in public, but "A. B. C.'s" letter on "Oriental Labor" has galled me to. "A. B. C." may be a good enough fellow personally, but his views on this subject are particularly selfish, to say the least. He contends that "but for politics" Oriental labor could be had in abundance. Does "A. B. C." realize that the will of the great majority of British Columbia is embodied in these same politics, and would he have their will set aside for his own mean ends? It needs only a superficial glance through "A. B. C.'s" letter to glean that the gist of it can be embodied in these words: Bring more Chinese in and the cost of labor down. There is too much unskilled labor here now, and by far too many Chinese, "docile" as they are. "A. B. C." tells of men leaving the province through being unable to obtain servants; they would have to leave the Dominion, too, as the same conditions prevail. If "A. B. C." wants a domestic servant, and his fancy runs to Chinese, there are hundreds of them willing to fill that position for thirty dollars a month. If that cannot be afforded, well, he cannot afford to keep a servant; that is all there is about it.

I will leave some one else to correct "A. B. C.'s" opinion of the white laboring man, and his cheap sneer at the honorable way the city council treat their employees, as I cannot trust myself to attempt it.

H. DANIEL.
971 Yates St., Dec. 9th, 1909.

SAANICH MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

To the Editor:—I have been reading your articles regarding the better regulation of municipal affairs, and a word bringing the matter home to Saanich municipality may not be amiss. To my mind, municipalities should be run on a well tried system; in the various branches of public works which they operate expensive experiments that have resulted in failure elsewhere should be avoided. If our municipality (which is just beginning in business for herself) would profit by the costly experience gained by others who have preceded there is every reason that the result would be a model. Leaving aside for the present the confusions which surround the management of public works, I take up briefly the system of assessment whereby moneys are raised to carry on the work. I have previously referred to the unfair way the assessments are made in Saanich, and now I would like to suggest the basis of a remedy whereby "equity" would come nearer being obtained for all concerned.

Saanich district has three distinct sections:

1. Residential, which borders on city and water fronts.
2. Small holdings, dairy, truck and fruit farms.
3. Mixed farming.

These are contained as a matter of necessity within well defined areas.

My suggestion, therefore, would be to have a map carefully prepared showing the lay of the land, together with a description of its physical characteristics and adaptation, have it registered and a copy filed at the municipal office for reference.

Strike a radius every half mile for five miles, then every mile to the limits of the municipality.

Assessments should be made for a start by three competent persons, including the municipal clerk. An agreement should be made in respect to the value of lands containing rock in bulk. (My opinion is that rock in bulk contained in areas used for agriculture or horticulture should be marked "waste" and only arable land assessed.) Then proceed to assess residential sections as per lot and other properties at per acre. Classify the land first and second grade, and having regard to its situation for transportation, etc., a fair assessment can be arrived at. The Municipal Act provides the method of valuation, but does not provide for its general application, which this method of classification would make easy. When the assessment has been made the ratepayer has the same right to appeal which now exists, but the Municipal Clauses Act should be amended to permit the appointment of an independent court of appeal instead of a council sitting as judges of their own assessment roll and whereby the revenue they require is raised. The duty of this court should not end at hearing and settling appeals, but should sit immediately afterwards as a board of equalization, so that every ratepayer who is classed and situated similarly to the persons appealing shall have rates readjusted to conform with those that may be altered.

JAMES A. GRANT.
Royal Oak, B. C., Dec. 8th, 1909.

RE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE NEW THEATRE.

To the Editor: I have watched with considerable amusement the efforts put forward for the building of a new theatre, first by a gift from the city of a most valuable site, second, by a subscription from the citizens.

An agitation has been in progress for a long time to build a new theatre, and the net result to date has been as follows:

C. P. R.	$ 15,000
G. T. P.	10,000
D. Mann	10,000
B. C. E. Ry. Co.	5,000
	$40,000
Citizens	15,000
	$55,000

The present subscriptions are to cover the cost of a site; theatre and equipment to cost at least $200,000, especially a lot 200 by 200 feet.

Nearly three weeks ago the above item appeared, with this difference, that only $13,000 had been subscribed by the citizens. After a desperate struggle with the citizens, the president of the board of trade, backed by a strong committee, induced them to subscribe only $2,000 more.

It seems to me that if the citizens really felt the need of a new theatre the money required would have been subscribed for twice over, in place of the paltry $15,000 subscribed by the citizens.

I see in last Sunday's Colonist, December 5th, that the president of the board of trade has invaded American territory by asking J. J. Hill to subscribe to the new theatre fund. Why not add President Taft, Pierpont Morgan and other American millionaires?

I must confess that the attempt to secure subscriptions from these gentlemen would not improve the situation, but would give greater notoriety to the fact that the citizens are unwilling to subscribe, and it would also show our abject poverty.

Citizens, beware of these subscriptions from railroad presidents. By so subscribing they have established a claim on you, and you may be certain you will repay them ten times over, and you are absolutely getting nothing in return from their subscriptions.

Premier McBride was good enough to tell his audience at the Victoria theatre that Mr. Mann has subscribed $10,000 to the new theatre. What does it mean? Have any of these railroad magnates donated any money for our churches, hospitals, or other charities? The reason they have not done so is plain. They cannot receive any favors in return for their subscriptions. Is a subscription to a theatre more important than charity?

The Colonist is loud in praise of Mr. Leiser for obtaining these subscriptions from the different railway companies. Let me review his other attempts in not securing absolute public utilities, such as a free passage across the railroad bridge, a better accommodation at the E. & N. station, the settlement of the Songhees reserve, a daily service between Victoria and Seattle, a better supply of water for the city of Victoria, the purchase of the Esquimalt waterworks, better and more steamers for the different points on the island, the improvement of the inner harbor.

I believe Victoria is the only city in the Dominion of Canada that has adopted the method of asking subscriptions for the building of a new theatre. I consider this an attack on vested rights. Where is our boasted prosperity in such a trifling matter as the building of a new theatre by begging for subscriptions?

JOSEPH BOSCOWITZ.
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 6th, 1909.

SAN DIEGO TO CELEBRATE.

Will Hold Panama Exposition in Spite of Action of San Francisco.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 9.—The announcement that the business men of San Francisco are determined to have a Panama canal exposition in that city in 1915 is causing much talk here, as the local citizens have been planning for several months to celebrate the opening of the big ditch in 1915 with an exposition here.

A company headed by some of the wealthiest men on the Pacific coast has been formed for that purpose and the news from San Francisco was received here with little grace. It was generally believed here that the exposition project contemplated in San Francisco several years ago, was for the Balboa exposition in 1913. It was understood that the scheme died a natural death.

William Clayton, chairman of the San Diego exposition executive committee, when shown the dispatches from San Francisco in connection with the exposition plans, said:

"The people of San Diego made the proposition for a fair in 1915 in good faith, and I see no reason why the exposition should go to San Francisco or why we should resign our right to it. We are going to have it."

MAYOR OF BELLINGHAM.

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 9.—In a neck and neck three-cornered race here, J. P. De Mattos, Republican, was re-elected to the office of mayor over S. E. Mullin, Democrat, and W. A. Martin, candidate of the Citizens' Independent League, which stood for the commission form of government. A fourth candidate was in the race, William Waynick, Socialist. De Mattos polled only a little more than one-third of the total vote. The entire Republican ticket was named.

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CHARGE COOK WITH FAKING RECORDS

Two Men Declare Explorer Promised Them $5,000 for Their Aid.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 9.—The Times to-day prints a sworn affidavit signed by August W. W. Loose, a pilot and navigator, and George H. Dunkle, an insurance broker, that Dr. Cook promised them $4,000 for their aid in preparing the polar records of his journey which they believe are now in the hands of the University of Copenhagen.

The Times also reproduces what purports to be the fac simile of a pencilled memorandum, directing the preparation of observations all the way from Svartevage to the Pole.

They freely acknowledge that their motive in making these affidavits is the alleged failure to pay them the full sum said to have been promised.

The Times further adds that it is impossible as yet to say that the observations calculated by Captain Loose and which he alleges he supplied to Dr. Cook, are those actually delivered by Cook's secretary, Mr. Lonsdale, to the University of Copenhagen. To establish this point it would be necessary, the Times says, to compare Captain Loose's narrative with the report by the University of Copenhagen.

Discredit Story.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—"If the data submitted by Dr. Frederick A. Cook in support of his claim that he discovered the north pole was 'faked' by Captain A. W. Loose, a retired navigator, and George H. Dunkle, an insurance agent of New York, the Danish scientists will easily discover the fraud."

This was the only statement obtainable at the university to-day regarding the story cabled here from New York, to the effect that the two men were hired by Cook to fake data.

The authorities here discredit the statement of Loose and Dunkle that Cook showed after a brief examination great ignorance of matters necessary for an explorer to know. Dr. Cook was questioned here by many scientists.

Secretary Lonsdale said to-day that Dr. Cook was at Bronxville, N. Y., before, but refused to discuss the story of Loose and Dunkle.

Reiterates Charge.

New York, Dec. 9.—George H. Dunkle, an insurance broker, to-day reiterated charges made by him in a morning paper that he and Captain A. W. Loose had prepared data for Dr. F. A. Cook, with which Dr. Cook hoped to prove his claim that he discovered the north pole.

Dunkle said that he turned on Cook because Cook failed to pay him a balance of $3,480 due from the alleged agreed price of $5,000 for the faked observations.

He said that he gave the story which was published this morning, but declined to state whether the paper paid him the $3,480. Dunkle stated that John R. Bradley, who is Cook's financial backer, knew nothing of the fake. He said that he induced Bradley to introduce him to Cook, but that Bradley had no idea of the purpose of the meeting.

"Bradley is an honest man. He has simply been handed a lemon by Cook," said Dunkle.

Thomas Enstone, the Gloucester centenarian, has just celebrated the 101st anniversary of his baptism. His exact age is not known, but as he walked to church when he was christened it is thought that he has reached his 105th year.

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CLAIMS THAT LORDS ARE PEOPLE'S FRIENDS

Prof. Dicey Says They Are Fighting for Popular Government.

A. V. Dicey, the eminent professor of English constitutional law at Oxford, contributes a remarkable letter to the London Times. Describing himself as an old-fashioned Liberal, Prof. Dicey says:

"To many the firm conviction that the policy of the ministry is lowering the tone of our public life, and degrading our whole system of popular government, affords a weighty reason for supporting the lords in the battle of the budget. The peers are resisting, not the people, but the usurpation of a parliamentary majority. In such a conflict the House of Lords has more than once scored an undoubted triumph."

Prof. Dicey hold that the ministers who profess to be special friends of the people are "imperiling the success of popular government in England."

"The vice of the day," he says, "is the corruption of the classes. This vice is not unknown to the French republic, and is spreading throughout some of our most prosperous colonies. It is recognized and deplored by every patriotic citizen of America subject to the machine and to the baneful authority of the boss. At this moment nearly all the English party leaders—I cannot confine my censure to one party alone—impress upon the electors that the class which has obtained predominant authority should use its power so as to gain from the resources of the state the maximum of material comfort for its members, but no ministry has ever gone so far in this direction as has the present cabinet."

"The very name of 'poor man's budget' betrays a policy of corruption. Taxes are raised not for the benefit of this class or that class, but for the service of the nation. This is a doctrine to which the honesty and good sense of Englishmen generally have given hearty assent.

"Thirty-six years have passed since Gladstone, followed at once by Disraeli, proffered to the middle classes the relief of an abolished income tax. The political morality of that time was shocked. The electors of England declined to accept an advantage which looked, at any rate, like a bribe.

"Will the democracy of 1909 exhibit as high a public spirit as the middle classes of 1874? One thing is certain: the corrupted democracy will certainly not fulfill the hopes of those old-fashioned Liberals who, like myself, have believed in the benefits to be derived from popular government."

MINING DEVELOPMENT.

Nelson, Dec. 8.—The Hedley Gold Mining Company is getting ready for an extensive overhauling of the reduction plant, which will necessitate a temporary shutdown of the mill, but mining operations will go forward in the Nickel Plate and Sunny Side all winter, as an extensive system of development work of these properties has been decided on. To enable this to be done the auxiliary steam plant has been added to, and with the completion of the railway to Princeton they are now able to obtain a supply of fuel from the coal mines of the Vermillion Forks Mining Company at Princeton, 22 miles distant.

BANKER ARRESTED.

Mineral Point, Wis., Dec. 9.—Calvert Spenseley, former president of the First National bank of Mineral Point, was arrested yesterday and taken to Madison, where he will be arraigned on the charge of complicity in wrecking the institution.

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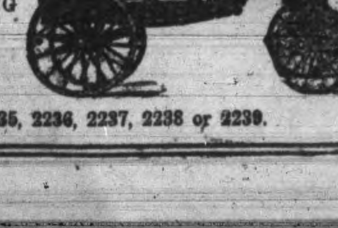

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PUSHING LINE TOWARD COAST

V. V. & E. CHIEF ENGINEER MOVES TO ABBOTSFORD

Section of Road Between Keremeos and Princeton Accepted by Inspector.

Nelson, Dec. 9.—The portion of the V. V. & E. railway, between Keremeos and Hedley and from Hedley to Princeton, a distance of about 42 miles, which has been under construction for two years, has been accepted by the government inspector of railways, H. A. K. Drury, and has now passed from the construction department of the Great Northern railway to the operating department. It has been given out that a regular train service is to begin on December 10th, but this is doubtless contingent on developments in connection with the switchmen's strike.

Evidences of the genuineness of the Great Northern's intention to at once complete their line to the coast are seen in the disposition of the engineering staff. Chief Engineer J. H. Kennedy is transferring his headquarters to Abbotsford, and is leaving L. M. Hale to take charge of construction westward from Princeton. Mr. Hale is moving from Hedley to Princeton to conduct operations from the Princeton end, and it is understood that Mr. Kennedy's intention is to cover the route from Abbotsford to Hope and on up the Coquihalla to the summit.

To enable the work to go forward, John H. Snapp, right-of-way man, is already moving to complete right-of-way arrangements on the route between Princeton and the summit. Much of this had been formerly negotiated and only requires final settlement.

REALTY MARKET CONTINUES ACTIVE

Arrivals From Prairies Expected in Few Days to Swell Number of Buyers.

The realty market continues very active. Central business properties are changing hands fast, and the tendency is for the flurry to spread to the outside. It is generally recognized that the business portion of the city must grow considerably, invading what has in the past been looked upon as purely residential districts. This has had a decided stimulating effect on property immediately adjoining the business section.

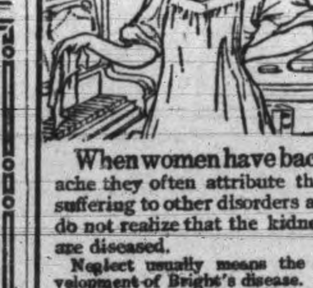
It is pointed out by those who have recently been through Canada that nowhere in the country is real estate so low as it is here. Victoria has grown considerably in the past year, but there has been scarcely any corresponding increase in realty prices. Now, however, there are a number of buyers coming in from the outside, and better still, Victoria men are also buying heavily. Some of the most conservative of the old time residents are taking almost everything that offers, for they claim that they can see a demand coming and they want to be in the swim.

In a few days the excursionists from the prairies will begin to arrive. Throughout this month and January this will continue, and as there has been such a bumber crop and the prices for wheat are so good, nearly every wheat grower is in a position to take a trip and many of them will purchase the much coveted homes in this city or neighborhood. The movement having been commenced just prior to their arrival will be an inducement to them to buy.

Among the sales made recently were two on View street. These were made for clients by T. P. McConnell yesterday. Mr. McConnell also reports the sale of a number of lots in the new Piercefield sub-division.

A property on the corner of Herald and Chatham streets was put through yesterday by Currie and Power to a local syndicate. It has a frontage of 120 feet on Herald and 140 on Chatham.

A great many of the realty agents do not care to discuss the situation, some fearing that prices will go out of sight and that this will harm business. There does not seem much chance of this, however, as prices are still very low.



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One pill a dose, 25 cts. a box, at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

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New Arrival of Men's Wear Suitable for Xmas

We have just received a large shipment of tip-top goods suitable for Christmas. They are from the very best makers and will be very much appreciated by those who receive them. The giver will also find satisfaction in knowing that the goods are of the very highest quality, at most reasonable prices.

A Few Gift Suggestions

MEN'S VESTS.

KNITTED VESTS, in various patterns and colors, at $3.00 to $4.00

FULL DRESS VESTS, in silk, poplins in plain and fancy $4.00

Neat cream and white shades.

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FINE HENLEY FLANNELS, in fancy stripe, with reversible collars. Special at $1.75

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ALL WOOL TAFFETA FLANNELS, in stripes and plain colors, at $3.50 and $5.00

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—Extra to the usual performance the Empress theatre are showing for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Charlotte Corday. Don't miss it.

NEW DIRECTORS OF WESTERN UNION

Now Under Control of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

New York, Dec. 9.—The Gould control of the Western Union Telegraph Company ended yesterday and the direction of the concern passed into the hands of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, where the resignations of the following directors were received: Frank Gould, Howard Gould, Kingdon Gould, John Terry, Sydney Shepard, G. W. Watkins, Thomas F. Clark, John Van Every, William Bull and Alvin Krech. The only remaining representaitve of the Gould interests is George Gould.

The new directors are: Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telegraph and Telephone Company; Henry S. Howe, John I. Waterbury, Robert Windsor, Henry P. Davidson, Edward J. Hall, William H. Moore, William M. Bethel, Henry E. Thayer and Robt. Scott Lovett, the new head of the Harriman interests.

The changes were made in accordance with the plans announced recently when the American Telephone & Telegraph Company secured a "substantial minority" of the Western Union stock through the purchase of the Gould holdings.

MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES.

G. Alexander, Good Government League Candidate, Is Re-elected.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 9.—All doubt as to the re-election of Mayor George Alexander, the Good Government League candidate for mayor, over George Smith, the Republican organization candidate, was dissipated today when complete returns from 194 precincts out of a total of 200 gave Alexander a majority of 2,723 votes over Smith.

With the exception of Richmond Plant, candidate for the council, the entire Good Government ticket apparently has been elected. Henry Lyons, for the council, was the only Republican organization man elected.

The election of Alexander and the Good Government League council indicates that the citizens are in favor of a closed town policy, which is favored by the mayor.

CARRIE NATION IN JAIL.

Arrested After Smashing Glassware Worth $35 in Washington Bar.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Immediately after she alighted from the train upon her arrival yesterday, Carrie Nation proceeded to the elaborate bar in the new Union station.

Before she could be intercepted she had smashed glassware worth $35. The police were called and she was immediately placed in jail. Mrs. Nation is in Washington in the hope of securing temperance legislation from congress, in the furtherance of the crusade she has conducted for years.

CHINESE RAILWAY LOAN.

Final Settlement Delayed by Action of France.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—The delay in reaching a final settlement on all the questions involved in the Hankow-Sze Chuen railway loan is chargeable to the altogether unexpected objections raised by France.

Although it is not believed in official circles here that France's recent obstructive move with respect to the agreement which had already been reached for American participation in the loan will prevent the final settlement, yet the questions involved are said to be of such a frivolous character that the United States is astonished that France should have regarded them as of consequence. The matter at issue upon which France seems to lay much stress has to do with the construction of about 100 millimetres of railroad, which it is stated may or may not be built in China.

TORTURED BY PILES.

Could Not Rest! Could Not Work! Could Not Play!

How Zam-Buk Brought Relief.

Mr. Julius Glacier, of Denbigh, Ont., says: "I was so tortured by piles that I could not get ease whether lying down, sitting, or standing. The ailment robbed me of strength, of appetite, and of all desire to live! I had suffered so long and so acutely that I came to think there was no ease for me, but one day I found out that I was wrong!

"I was told that Zam-Buk cured piles, and that this balm was altogether different to ordinary ointments, scores of which I had proved useless for so bad a case as mine was. I got a supply of Zam-Buk, and began to use it regularly.

"Without going into unnecessary detail in a few weeks I found myself cured. I owe my cure to Zam-Buk entirely, and I trust my experience will be the means of leading other sufferers to try this great herbal balm."

Nothing need be added to this plain, powerful testimony save one question—if you suffer like Mr. Glacier did, why not get relief from the same source as he did?

Zam-Buk—as he truly says—is "something different" to the ordinary ointments and salves. It is a powerful combination of healing and soothing herbal essences. No mineral astringents or poisons; no impure animal fats.

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STANDARD OIL CASE.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9.—The Standard Oil company yesterday was assessed $42,062 as its share of the expense attached to the dissolving suit brought by the government and decided against the corporation on November 20th. The cost of the appeal the Standard company announced it would file was not included in the assessment.

Cruisers are specially designed to carry out the work of scouting and pursuit.

One Cough

A cough, just a little cough. It may not amount to much. Or, it may amount to everything! Some keep coughing until the lung tissues are seriously injured. Others stop their cough with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Sold for seventy years. How long have you known it?

Ask your doctor about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. If he says, "Take it," then take it. If he says, "No," then don't. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

TENDERS.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned at Ottawa, in sealed envelopes, and marked on the envelopes "Tenders for Quarantine Supplies," will be received up to noon of the

FIFTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1910,

for supplies for the Quarantine Station.

The following supplies are required:
Coal;
Firewood;
Fish;
Groceries;
Hardware and ship chandlery;
Meat;
Medical stores and disinfectants;
Uniforms, and other articles of apparel;
Vegetables.

Forms may be obtained by application to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, or to the Medical Superintendent at Quarantine.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Newspapers copying this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid.

A. L. JARVIS,
Assistant Deputy Minister, and Secretary of Agriculture.
Ottawa, Canada, 11th Nov., 1909.

CIVIC NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to execute the following works of local improvement, namely:

1. To pave the Esquimalt road from the western boundary of the Songhees Indian Reserve to the city limits with tar macadam, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said road with curbs and gutters, including cost of expropriation of property;

2. To construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on the north side of Caledonia avenue from Blanchard avenue to Quadra street, and on btoh sides of Caledonia avenue from Quadra street to Cook street;

3. To grade, rock surface and drain Rudlin avenue from Chambers street to Fernwood road, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides thereof, and to expropriate certain real property on said avenue for the purpose of widening same to an average width of 40 feet throughout;

4. To grade, rock surface and drain Grant street, between Stanley avenue and Belmont avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said street;

5. To expropriate property for the purpose of extending Burdette avenue to Linden avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides of Burdette avenue from Cook street to Linden avenue;

And that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law" and amendments thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law upon each and every of said works of local improvement, giving statements showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the reports of the City Engineer and City Assessor as aforesaid having been adopted by the Council.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street, and that unless a petition against any proposed work of local improvement above mentioned, signed by a majority of the owners of the land or real property to be assessed for such improvement, and representing at least one-half of the value of the said land or real property, is presented to the Council within fifteen days from the date of the first publication of this notice, the Council will proceed with the proposed improvement upon such terms and conditions as to the payment of the cost of such improvement as the Council may by by-law in that behalf regulate and determine.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 23rd, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Charles J. McDonald, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Mayne Island Hotel, situated at Mayne, in the district of North Victoria, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) CHARLES J. McDONALD.
Dated this 5th day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, E. Marshall, hereby give notice that one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police, at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as "The Gorge Hotel," situated at Tillikum road, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) E. MARSHALL.
Dated this 3rd day of November, 1909.

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GOVERNMENT ST. VICTORIA, B. C.

INNER HARBOR ASSOCIATION MEETS

Officers Elected for Coming Year—Messrs. Sayward and Bechtel Retire

The Inner Harbor Association yesterday held its annual meeting in the committee room of the city hall, when officers for the coming year were elected and the report of the board of management received. G. A. Kirk presided. The annual report which was published in the Times yesterday was read and received some little comment and then the following officers were elected: Chairman, G. A. Kirk; secretary, Thos. C. Sorby; board of management, Capt. W. Grant, John Barnsley, E. McGregor, J. K. Rebbeck and Capt. J. W. Troup.

The retiring members of the board were A. J. Bechtel and J. A. Sayward.

Resolutions thanking Hon. Wm. Templeman and G. H. Barnard, M. P., for services rendered the association were passed before the meeting adjourned.

WATERHOUSE AGENCY IS TRANSFERRED

R. P. Rithet & Co. Will Act on Their Behalf at This Port.

The agency for the Bank Line in this city has been transferred from Geroge Courtney to R. P. Rithet & Co. This firm has not been doing very much business in this city owing largely to the fact that the steamers have not been calling regularly. The freight has been taken on to Vancouver causing a delay of about a week in delivery.

The last steamer called here and was charged the regular pilotage rates charged tramp steamers. The company registered a kick against what they considered an overcharge, but unless the steamers call regularly there is little likelihood that they will get the advantage of the lower rates. The steamer now on her way here is bringing some freight for Victoria, but no advices have been received as to whether she will call here with it.

R. P. Rithet & Co. are agents for the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., the Osaka Shosen Kaisha and other steamers.

Grace & Company have recently fixed the British steamer Chatham, Capt. Duff, a vessel of 2,316 net tons, to trade between Puget Sound and the West Coast. The vessel is now on its way North from Antofagasta.

KAGA MARU'S LAST VISIT

RODE BIG GALE WITHOUT DAMAGE

Small List of Passengers—News of Movement to Form Canadian Club.

After a rough trip from Yokohama the steamer Kaga Maru arrived this morning bringing a few passengers and a fair cargo. The vessel was out in the gale which did so much damage on the Japanese coast, reports of which were received by cable, but being a staunch craft the Kaga passed through without incident. The day after she left a tremendous gale struck her, but she rode through it without difficulty.

There were only thirteen passengers in the first and second cabins and thirty-two in the steerage. A Swiss merchant, Mr. Lengwiler, passed through on his way from Japan to his home, and will travel by way of the United States. An American doctor and sailor comprised the list of white passengers. The others were Orientals.

In the hold was about 3,000 tons of general freight, of which 400 tons was discharged here before the vessel left. There was a small consignment of raw silk which will be sent through to Europe as quickly as possible.

News was brought by the steamer of an eruption of Mount Khawatcha in Kamchatka. Several earthquake shocks were also felt in the district. At a distance of thirty miles from the volcano stones and ashes fell, desolating the country and killing many of the natives. The news of the eruption and of the large loss of life was reported from Vladivostock by telegraph.

Six of the United States cruiser fleet are now in Asiatic waters, where they will spend some time. They will all visit some of the Japanese ports, but not altogether, as if they did the Japanese would make a great display of entertainment. As the American government do not wish this they have decided to have the cruisers call at the ports two at a time. The first two should be at Yokohama now.

News was brought by the Kaga Maru of a movement in Yokoham to form a Canadian club.

The Kaga, after discharging her Victoria cargo, left for Seattle.

This is the last but one of the line of steamers to come here. The Shinano will arrive next month, and she will be followed by the steamers which were on the European runs.

ADMIRALTY CASE STILL IN PROGRESS

Evidence for the Defence Being Heard by Court To-day.

The case of Charmer vs. Bermuda is still in progress in the Admiralty Court before Mr. Justice Martin, local judge in admiralty for British Columbia; Capt. Parry, of H.M.S. Egeria; and Capt. Musgrave, of C.G.S. Lillooet.

This morning the cross-examination of Captain Johnson, of the Bermuda, was taken in hand by E. P. Davis, K. C., for the C.P.R. Capt. Johnson maintained that if both vessels had kept on their course the collision would not have occurred, but that by the Charmer altering her course slightly the vessels inevitably come together.

Mate Paul and Second Engineer Ernest Hunt, of the Bermuda, and Engineer Wm. Phillips, of the Edith, were examined. The latter said he was on deck when passing through the narrows, and his attention was drawn by the unusual nature of the crossing signals, the Charmer first blowing one blast and the Bermuda replying with two.

The case will last all afternoon.

ARRIVED AT RUPERT.

Barge Georgian With Complete Train on Board Completes Difficult Passage.

The train of flat cars with caboose and locomotive which was sent North to Prince Rupert on the barge Georgian, has arrived safely. The barge was beaten back four times when attempting to cross Queen Charlotte Sound, and along with other vessels was forced to lie over for a day or two. The barge was in tow of tug Escort No. 2.

OFFICER OF STEAMER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Tries to Strangle Himself With Shoe Laces, But Fails.

Word was received this morning from Prince Rupert by the steamer Princess May that Percy Randolph McKinnon, one of the officers of the steamer Belle of Spain, tried to strangle himself with shoelaces. His conduct for some days had given rise to the suspicion that his mind was affected. He was placed in the police station, it being the intention to have a physician examine him. During the night he took his shoe laces, and, knotting them securely around his neck, tried his best to choke himself to death. His efforts, however, were unavailing, and it was not long before he was discovered. There was no difficulty in taking the shoe laces from him, and he made the remark that he had reconsidered his decision to commit suicide, for he wished to see his mother.

A few days ago Mr. McKinnon was placed in the Port Simpson hospital, but it was thought better to transfer him to Prince Rupert. The young man is said to be related to prominent people in the Old Country.

ST. DENIS DELAYED BY ROUGH WEATHER

Steamer Will Not Leave for the North Until To-morrow Morning.

Steamer St. Denis of the Boscowitz line arrived at Vancouver last night after having been delayed by the bad weather in the North. She will be here this evening, but will not leave until to-morrow morning at 11. She brought south a quantity of lumber and salmon.

It was intended to have docked the steamer this week, but owing to her being so late this has been postponed until a later date. She brought south the third mate of the steamer Belle of Spain. This man tried to commit suicide at Prince Rupert and has been sent to the asylum at Westminster.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS

(Times Leased Wire.)

Skagway—Arrived: Steamer Cottage City, from Seattle and sailed for Seattle.

Honolulu—Arrived: Barkentine Makawell, from Mukilteo. Sailed: Schooner Alice Cook, Port Townsend.

Ketchikan—Arrived: Steamer Meteor, from Skagway, and sailed for Seattle.

St. Vincent—Passed: British steamer Floriston, from Puget Sound for Belfast.

Los Angeles—Arrived: Schooner Sadie, from Umpqua River; steamer Governor, from Seattle; steam schooner Shashta, from Bellingham; steam schooner Daisy Mitchell, from Willapa Harbor; steam schooner San Gabriel, from Umpqua river. Sailed: Admiral Sampson, from Seattle via San Francisco; steam schooner Helen H. Drew, from Greenwood; steam schooner Samoa, for Caspar.

Tongkong—Arrived: British steamer Americ, from Seattle via Yokohama; Japanese steamer Tango Maru, from Seattle via Yokohama.

Valparaiso—Sailed: German steamer Assuan, from Seattle, San Francisco, etc., for Hamburg.

Vigo—Arrived: British steamer Petriana, from Greenock, for Vancouver.

San Francisco—Arrived: Steamer Santa Clara, from Astoria; steamer Montara, from Seattle. Sailed: Steamer Umatilla, Seattle.

SHIPPING REPORT

(By Dominion Wireless.)

Cape Lazo, Dec. 9, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, southeast gale; bar., 29.11; temp., 42; sea rough.

Point Grey, Dec. 9, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, southeast wind; bar., 29.17; temp., 40.

Tatoosh, Dec. 9, 8 a.m.—Light rain; 80-mile gale from southeast; bar., 29.22; temp., 40; sea rough; in, Eureka at 8 a.m.

Estevan, Dec. 9, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; easterly gale; bar., 29.04; temp., 45; sea rough.

Pachena, Dec. 9, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; easterly gale; bar., 29.03; temp., 42; sea rough.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 9, noon.—Raining; southeast gale; bar., 29.15; temp., 43; sea rough; Jefferson north-bound at 8:50 a.m.

Point Grey, Dec. 9, noon.—Cloudy; wind southwest; bar., 29.23; temp., 45.

Tatoosh, Dec. 9, noon.—Cloudy; gale from northeast 44 miles; bar., 29.24; temp., 42.

Pachena, Dec. 9, noon.—Raining; southeast gale; bar., 29.02; temp., 42; sea rough.

Estevan, Dec. 9, noon.—Raining; southeast gale and increasing; bar., 29.04; temp., 41; sea rough.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, December 1st to 7th, 1909.

At Victoria there were registered 22 hours of bright sunshine; the highest temperature was 43 on the 7th, and the lowest 23.6 on the 3rd; rainfall, .23 inch; snow, .50 inch; total, .28 inch.

At New Westminster—Highest, 42 on 1st; lowest, 14 on 4th; rain, .83 inch.

At Vancouver—Bright sunshine, 32 hours 24 minutes; highest, 40 on 1st; lowest, 15 on 4th; rain, .19 inch; snow, .56 inch; total, .15 inch.

At Kamloops—Highest, 26 on 1st; lowest, zero on 6th; snow, .20 inch.

At Barkerville—Highest, 14 on 7th; lowest, 20 below zero on 4th.

At Atlin—Highest, 6 below zero on 4th; lowest, 30 below zero on 1st, 6th and 7th; snow, one inch.

At Dawson—Highest, 14 below zero on 3rd; lowest, 44 below zero on 1st, 6th and 7th; snow, one inch.

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PRINCESS MAY WENT ASHORE

RAN AGROUND DURING BLINDING SNOWSTORM

Severe Storms in Southern Alaska Do Much Damage.

Yesterday, just too late for publication in the Times, a dispatch arrived from Vancouver saying that the steamer Princess May had arrived in Vancouver, and that she had been aground in Johnston Strait. The vessel arrived here this morning, and this afternoon was taken to Esquimalt where she is being hauled out for an examination. It is hoped that the damage will prove to be very slight, and that she will be able to leave on Saturday on her regular run.

Speaking of the incident this morning, Capt. McLeod said that the steamer could not be much damaged. She went ashore in a blinding snowstorm, but she did not strike any rock. The officers were all on watch at the time, when suddenly the shore appeared right in front of them. The engines were at once reversed, but it was too late, and the steamer grounded gently on the beach. The tide was rising, and after remaining there two hours she floated off and proceeded on her voyage. She did not leak, and he thought it would prove that there was little the matter. The place where she went ashore was two miles west of Adams river. The life boats were swung clear in readiness for launching had it been necessary.

At Ketchikan and other Alaskan ports much damage was caused to the canneries which were flooded. Some of the salmon was injured, but luckily most of the pack had been sent south.

The Princess May brought nearly two hundred passengers south, many of whom went through to United States points. She also brought a quantity of freight over from Vancouver, nearly filling the C. P. R. Belleville street warehouses. If more comes there will be no room to store it. It consists mostly of Christmas goods which, under ordinary circumstances, should have come over the ferry in carload lots and been discharged from the railway yards.

Word has also been received from the north by the Alaska Steamship Company's steamer Jefferson. She reports that the country was visited by one of the severest storms of the season. At Douglas City the wind blew roofs from buildings, broke in windows and otherwise damaged property. Juneau also suffered from the storm and many buildings were damaged. The Jefferson experienced a series of gales all the way down the coast. An unusually cold wave is also sweeping over that section. The Jefferson was prevented from visiting one or two cannery stations on account of ice forming to such a thickness that she was not able to force her way through.

BRODICK CASTLE PROBABLY FOUNDERED

British Ship Carried Barley Similar to Matterhorn and Met Similar Gale.

"The foundering of the Matterhorn explains without leaving much room for doubt what happened to the Brodick Castle," Capt. R. L. Salter, master of the wrecked barque Matterhorn, is reported as saying at Seattle.

The fate of the Brodick Castle has been one of the recent mysteries of the sea, starting at the Columbia river and ending, no one knew where. One year ago, December 5th, the British ship Brodick Castle, Capt. Olsen, sailed from Astoria. The vessel was loaded with barley like the Matterhorn and was bound for Ipswich, the same destination as that of the barque which went down last week. A day after the Brodick Castle sailed a storm similar in severity to that which keeled over the Matterhorn occurred and the vessel was never sighted after she put out to sea and has been posted as missing at Lloyds.

"It was the storm that shifted the Brodick Castle's cargo the same as it did ours," said Capt. Salter. "Barley doesn't pack like wheat. It's got a long beard on it and slips around, being slippery anyway. In time, of course, with the motion of the ship it would settle down, but when a vessel is subjected to weather like that, fresh from port, she hasn't a chance. The pounding of ordinary weather would help to settle the barley cargo when it would be perfectly safe. This experience shows conclusively that a lot of stiffening is needed for barley cargo. If we had enjoyed good weather for a few weeks out and our cargo had settled we could have made the storms experience with other ships that did not strike heavy weather immediately on going out."

Gerald Portch, an apprentice, and Ed. Lavique and K. Lundgren, seamen of the Matterhorn, who were left on Tatoosh Island, owing to the severity of the weather, arrived in Seattle on Tuesday on the steamer Whatcom. The apprentice was taken to Eagle Harbor to join the other apprentices, and the two seamen went to the Seamen's Institute.

The responses for assistance to the sailors at the Seamen's Institute have been generous, and most of the men have been outfitted through the kindness of Seattle citizens. Julius Redelsheimer gave each of the men a new suit of underclothing and W. H. McCormick collected $77.50, which will be used in supplying boots, etc.

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TRADE COMMISSION.

London, Dec. 9.—Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Sir Daniel Morris and B. E. McCarthy, members of the West Indian commission, leave England for Jamaica on January 16th. They expect to meet Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. Wm. Paterson, two members of the commission, in Kingston on January 27th.

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STRATHCONA'S LATEST GIFT

PHYSICAL TRAINING IN CANADIAN SCHOOLS

Aims and Objects of the Trust Explained to Public.

In order to explain the aims and objects of the Strathcona Trust for the encouragement of physical training and military drill in the public schools of Canada, and to remove some misconceptions which seem to have arisen in regard to it, Sir Frederick Borden, as chairman of the trust, has instructed the secretary of the trust, A. G. Lewis, to forward the following letter to the premiers of the various provinces:

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject, I am directed by Sir F. W. Borden, Minister of Militia, as chairman of the executive council of the Strathcona Trust, to inquire whether your government is yet in a position to accept, on behalf of the educational establishments under its control, the advantages offered by the Strathcona Trust for the encouragement of physical training and military drill in public schools.

2. From inquiries which have been addressed to the executive council, some misapprehension seems to have arisen as to the aims and objects of the Strathcona Trust. It is with a view to the removal of any grounds for misunderstanding that I am directed to submit the following remarks:

3. As you are aware, Lord Strathcona's object in forming the trust is twofold; (1) the improvement of the physical and intellectual capabilities of the children while at school, by means of a proper system of physical training calculated to improve their physical development, and, at the same time, to inculcate habits of alertness, orderliness and prompt obedience; (2) the fostering of a spirit of patriotism in the boys, leading them to realize that the first duty of a free citizen is to be prepared to defend his country — to which end all boys should, as far as possible, be given an opportunity of acquiring a fair acquaintance, while at school, with military drill and rifle shooting.

4. With regard to the first point, the executive council deems it necessary to require that a province before it can participate in the benefits of the trust, should pledge itself to include in the regular curriculum of the schools under its control instruction in physical training for all children of both sexes attending the same. This requirement appears to be clearly understood by all, and there have been, so far as the executive council is aware, no serious objections raised to the universal introduction of a well-tested system of physical training into all the public schools of Canada.

5. With regard, however, to the question of military drill and rifle practice for boys, a somewhat important misapprehension appears to exist in certain quarters, to the effect that the Strathcona Trust is designed to be used as the vehicle for the introduction of a system of compulsory military training into the schools of the Dominion. I am directed to state, emphatically, that such is in no wise Lord Strathcona's intention, nor that of the executive council of the trust.

6. As stated above, one of Lord Strathcona's main objects is to inculcate a spirit of patriotism in the youths of this country, together with a realization of their duty as free citizens in its defence, and consequently, their training in the rudiments of a soldier's art is, in his opinion, desirable, in order that they may be able to give proper expression to that spirit in time of national danger; but his lordship does not seek to insist that this military training should be made compulsory. All he asks is that the government of a province should undertake to encourage, as far as possible, the formation of cadet corps and the practice of rifle shooting in the schools under its control, leaving it to the parents themselves to decide whether their sons should join these corps. The proper military instruction and care of the cadet corps when formed is a matter which falls within the province of the department of militia. The department of militia, however, asks that the educational authorities will encourage, or, at least, place no obstacle in the way of their teachers becoming officers of their school cadet corps.

7. The position may, perhaps, best be summed up by restating the general conditions, which the executive council of the trust asks the education department of a province to accept, in order to secure to the schools under its control participation in the benefits of the trust. It is confidently believed that perusal of these conditions will show that they cannot fairly be in any way construed as an attempt to introduce a system of compulsory military training into the schools of Canada.

8. These conditions are as follows:

(a) Physical training to form an integral part of the curriculum in every school, or public educational establishment maintained mainly out of public funds, at which a teacher holding a certificate other than that of the lowest grade is employed.

(b) A certificate of ability to instruct in physical training to form part of every teacher's certificate, other than those of the lowest grade, granted by the education department of the province.

(c) The education department to undertake to encourage the formation of cadet corps, including the practice of rifle shooting under suitable conditions by the older boys in all educational establishments under its control.

(d) The system of physical training adopted to be in force in the elementary public schools in Great Britain (which has been recently revised in view of the latest developments in Sweden, Switzerland and other countries), with such modifications therein as the local conditions of any province may show to be necessary.

(e) The education department to undertake to require, within a specified period, all teachers who are already in possession of its certificates other than those of the lowest grade to qualify themselves to instruct in physical training (subject to the exemption of such teachers as are physically unable to qualify, or are nearly at the end of their term of service), so that in every school there shall be at least one teacher capable of imparting the necessary instruction.

9. The militia department will, on its part, aid the education department by affording the necessary facilities to the teachers of both sexes to qualify themselves in physical training, by providing instructors until such time as the provincial authorities are in a position to undertake this duty themselves.

10. The militia department will also afford to the teachers the necessary instruction in military drill required to enable them to become officers of cadet corps under the same advantages as are already allowed to officers of the active militia, and will grant certificates of qualification.

11. The militia department will also pay the authorized grants to the teachers qualified and acting as instructors of cadet corps, and will supply to these corps such arms and equipment as are needed under the regulations applicable to each case.

12. Sir Frederick Borden confidently hopes that after consideration of the foregoing explanations, your government may see its way clear at a very early date to declare its acceptance of the conditions mentioned in paragraph 8 of this letter, so that both teachers and pupils in the educational establishments of the province may be competent to share in the benefits of the trust.

PROMISING NEW MINING FIELD

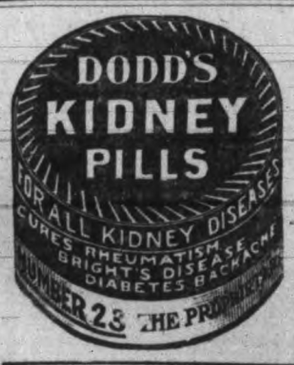
Bridge River District Only Awaiting Transportation Facilities.

A recent arrival in the city from Bridge river, Lillooet, expressed the opinion that it is about to come to the front as a promising mining section, and it only awaits adequate transportation facilities to be recognized as one of the most favorable fields in the province for the prospector. Settlers and miners in that district are strongly urging the construction of the long promised wagon road from Seaton lake up Bridge river, and the hope is expressed that the government will make the necessary appropriation during the approaching session of the legislature.

Crossing Bridge river near its junction with the south fork, is a well-defined mineral bearing dyke of silicious diorite, one to two miles in width, running northwest and southeast and traceable for many miles on both sides of Bridge river. Running through this dyke and having the same strike and dip are at least two distinct quartz [illegible] (not covered by wash), for at least ten miles. Several other ledges at about right angles to the above have been uncovered, and many more probably exist and await uncovering. The great feature of all the ledges in this particular belt is that they invariably carry values in free gold, with more or less tellurides and tetrahedrite.

Amongst the properties operating and preparing may be cited the Lorne group and Wayside group. The Lorne, without any invested capital, has for years been grinding out with a home-made two-tub arastra, development expenses, wages for miners and management and a regular small dividend for its owners.

The wayside group is a more recent discovery in the same zone, and compares favorably with anything in the camp. The owners, a Cincinnati syndicate, are confining themselves to a thorough development of the property before considering any installment of machinery. The development so far has been confined to one of three ledges on the property. This ledge is three feet wide, very well defined and averaging between $70 and $80 to the ton in free gold, besides some values in concentrates.



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HOSPITAL IN THE ZOO

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Animals in Regent's Park Are Cared for in Ill Health.

A large and savage rat recently found its way into the enclosure where the "Zoo's" grey squirrels live. Before it could be found and destroyed five of the graceful little fellows had been badly bitten and were discovered with angry wounds showing through their pretty bedraggled coats.

These squirrels were the first patients at the "Zoo's" new hospital, a beautifully equipped, red-brick building just behind the reptile house, which has just started its career of usefulness. Just like the London or any other modern hospital, the floors are constructed of easily cleaned cement with curved corners. Ten airy, warmed cages are situated on the ground floor, while the upper part of the hospital is composed of two well-lit, cheerful wards with glass roofs, where the smaller birds and animals will be treated.

Thither the little injured squirrels were conveyed, their hurts were dressed with antiseptics, and they are now almost fully recovered, writes Leslie Mainland in the Daily Mail.

The need for such an institution in the gardens is undoubted. There is no more pathetic sight in the world than that of a savage captive animal attacked by a mortal disease. The wild, powerful creature, its coat streaked with sweat and its muscles quivering with anguish, will not submit to the well-meant ministrations of its keepers or of the medical expert, and refuses the food in which, perhaps, healing or soothing drugs are hidden. It only demands to be left alone to die. Were it free, the merciless mercy of the jungle or desert would ensure speedy relief from its sufferings at the fangs or claws of its fellows.

In the Zoological Gardens, hitherto, it has seldom been possible to do anything in such cases, but to leave the animal in its den, watched by curious visitors, and allow nature to take its course until an expert's certain diagnosis of a fatal termination permits the use of the final kindness of strychnine or a bullet. Now, in warmth, quietude, and privacy, and under the constant eye of experts, the "Zoo's" patients will have a vastly increased chance of recovery.

The Hospital's Case Book, so far, includes:

Five grey squirrels.
One fox.
Two kangaroos.
One infant ibex.

The fox went there on Friday, afflicted with a painful canker of the ear. The savage little creature was secured by means of a noose on the end of a [illegible] was gently pulled taut. He betrayed no disposition to snap, so a muzzle was dispensed with, and the ear was dressed as swiftly as possible.

A disfiguring skin disease has attacked one of the kangaroos, and his mate has been placed with him until it is certain she has not also contracted the same trouble. Had the pair been left in the cages they would have "nosed" their healthy neighbors in a friendly way and probably started an epidemic. Curiously enough, the baby ibex has also an affection of the coat.

Scarcely a single ill that we are subject to but has its parallel among the beasts at the "Zoo." Many diseases, indeed, have been carried to them by human infection—notably chest troubles and tuberculosis, which have been the scourge of the monkey-house. The higher the beast in the scale of creation the more liable it is to contract diseases from its human visitors. That is the main reason why the most manlike brutes—the apes—are wisely shut off from their admirers by great sheets of plate-glass. Otherwise a single influenza-stricken sneeze from a visitor might place every chimpanzee and orang-utan on the sick-list.

A weak heart killed "Lobo," the great grey American timber wolf, who died a fortnight ago. It was diagnosed early last year from his distress after slight exertion. An iron tonic mixed with his meat in pill form pulled him round wonderfully, and he never refused his medicine. He died quietly during the night, and his widow, "Blanco," swiftly told the news with her wailing lament. Unnatural confinement was probably at the root of the heart trouble, and an interesting parallel comes in the case of a flamingo which lived in the Three Island pond. Her wings were unclipped, but she betrayed no anxiety to leave, till one day she swooped into the air, circled round two or three times, and then collapsed and plummeted down dead. The exertion had proved too much for a weak heart, and the flamingo died just as a man with cardiac trouble may die if he races for a train.

Visitors were recently astonished to see a female tapir—that weird compromise between a pig and an elephant—wearing a heavy white neckcloth. It was in reality a mild mustard plaster, which was tied round her neck to alleviate a very homely complaint—mumps. All the symptoms were there, the glandular swellings, pain on mastication (she refused all food), and feverishness. To all intents and purposes it was human mumps, and yielded to the same treatment, after the usual period—about a fortnight or three weeks.

In the case of powerful savage brutes much which would do them good has to be left undone. When "Eve," the full-grown female chimpanzee, suffered from a skin trouble on her wrists and forearms she could not be properly handled for curative purposes, but whenever she strolled up to be fed the keeper patiently and quietly sprinkled the worst places with powder.

More drastic measures were resorted to in the case of a fine lynx with mange. His temper was vile—simply vile—and when it was necessary to use an embrocation he had to be chloroformed for each application. A box like a miniature lethal chamber was employed and the chloroform pumped in until the lynx collapsed. When on one occasion the treatment was unusually prolonged the lynx showed signs of "coming to." There was a panic for the moment until the operator renewed the dose and restored complete insensibility.

Brain troubles are represented by the elephants, which are sometimes, after a certain age, to all intents and purposes periodic lunatics. One chased a waiter, and another pinned a keeper to the floor, the tusk going through the man's coat, but otherwise only bruising him. A low diet and seclusion are tried, but even if the monsters are cured they are never trusted again.

Surgical operations are not very frequent, but it will now be possible to attempt these with a good chance of success in the new hospital, to which is attached an up-to-date operating theatre. A beautiful little hog deer (a rare Indian variety) broke its foreleg this year, a slender limb no thicker than a man's finger. Instead of destroying the little creature, the expert consulted by the Zoological Society's officials determined to try to save the leg. He used linen bandages dipped in gum. These "set" quite as satisfactorily as plaster of Paris without being so heavy. The intelligent little creature took care of itself, and hopped about on three legs for a few weeks until the expert, with a keen knife, cut away the bandage and found the leg as good as ever.

The broken wing of a secretary-bird and the leg of a Chinese pheasant have also been successfully set during the last few weeks.

Chamois and other goats are often troubled with over-long hoofs through lack of sufficient exercise to keep them worn down to the right length. In these cases roping the beast and clipping the superfluous growth becomes necessary. In the case of lions or leopards with ingrowing claws, the operation used to be performed in this fashion: The paws were caught in running nooses and dragged to the bars, a gag of wood was inserted in the mouth, and a pair of clippers did the rest in a few seconds. The effect on the animals' tempers and nerves may be imagined. Now, however, the chloroform box (a size larger than that used for the lynx) is employed, and the savage creature knows no more about the operation than a dental patient under gas.

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Third: Paste the two together and fill in your name and address (write plainly) and deposit it in the Sealed Ballot Box provided for the purpose at G. D. CHRISTIE'S SHOE STORE, corner Government and Johnson streets, Victoria, B. C.

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Owing to the difference in the average death-rate it may be said that three Englishmen live as long as five Russians.

NOTICE.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, they will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, B. C., for a renewal of their license for selling intoxicating liquors at the premises known as The Hudson's Bay House, situated at Telegraph Creek, in the District of Cassiar, to commence the 1st day of January, 1910.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY,
Per JAS. THOMSON.

26th November, 1909.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co.

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The cleared lots at Qualicum Beach, Newcastle District are now on the market in tracts of from thirty to forty acres.

For plans and prices apply to L. H. SOLLY, Land Agent, Victoria, or L. E. ALLIN, Local Agent, Parksville.

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All securities bought and sold on commission.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by himself or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered Sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the third Meridian and the Sault Railway line. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1.00 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 1,500 feet by 1,500 feet. Fee, $5.00. At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. When $500 has been expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at $1.00 an acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS generally, 100 feet square. Entry fee, $5.00.

DREDGING.—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, $10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 2½ per cent. after the output exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

NOTICE.

Subscribers of the Victoria Daily Times are requested to pay their subscriptions to the collector, and not at the office.

MUCH CIVIC WORK FOR THIS WINTER

Work of Paving Douglas and Yates Streets to Be Taken in Hand.

There is a prospect that should weather conditions permit the winter season will offer employment to a large force of men who will be employed on important works of local improvement which it is intended to proceed with with all haste. City Engineer Topp said this morning that it was his intention to proceed with the work of paving Douglass street just as soon as the necessary money was voted. The by-law calling for the expenditure is now being advertised. This will be a very big job, as the section to be paved extends from Humboldt street to Cormorant street.

Simultaneously with the paving the work of putting in ornamental lamps will be proceed with. Yates street, between Douglas and Quadra, will also be dealt with as quickly as the work can be taken in hand. Both paving and street lights are to be placed on Yates on the section mentioned.

A big gang of men is now at work completing the paving of the causeway. The street car tracks are now in position, and should the weather remain suitable the work will be completed in short order.

GRAND LODGE PROTESTS.

Oregon A. O. U. W. Withdraws From Supreme Lodge of Order.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 9.—The Grand Lodge of Oregon, A. O. U. W., has withdrawn from the Supreme Lodge of the order. It will no longer affiliate with, nor recognize nor make mention of the Supreme Lodge in its constitution and by-laws. The Oregon Grand Lodge will not return to the Supreme Lodge until that body again is willing to permit the Grand Lodge to control its own funds.

These, in substance, are the statements made by Philip Gevurtz, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. Gevurtz stated that the withdrawal was accepted in a resolution passed November 22nd last by the Grand Lodge. He said the Oregon Grand Lodge took exception to the action of the Supreme Lodge in directing that the funds of all the grand lodges be combined under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge.

WILL BUILD REPAIR SHOPS.

Pullman Company Preparing to Erect Plant in California.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 9.—Influenced by the rapid growth of western business in the last few years, the Pullman company has determined to construct in the vicinity of San Francisco a repair plant employing 800 men and capable of taking care of its entire western equipment, according to Richard Dean, general manager of the company.

Dean is here in company with S. S. Hungerford, general superintendent of the big car works at Pullman, Ill., and Edward Sollas, of Chicago, a large stockholder in the company. They are inspecting proposed sites for the shops, according to Dean.

MURDERER ENDS LIFE.

Hangs Himself in Cell After Being Sentenced to Death.

Columbus, O., Dec. 9.—Frank Grimes, who killed Blanche Knight, his sweetheart, hanged himself in his cell in the county jail last night. He was sentenced yesterday to die in the electric chair on March 27th.

BANK RATE REDUCED.

London, Dec. 9.—The Bank of England to-day reduced the minimum discount rate from five to four and one-half per cent.

HON. T. W. PATERSON TO BE SWORN IN TO-MORROW

Clerk of Privy Council on Way From Ottawa for Purpose.

Rodolphe Boudreau, clerk of the Privy Council of Canada, arrives on this evening's steamer in order to swear in Hon. T. W. Paterson as Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

The formal ceremony will take place in the executive council chamber at the provincial buildings to-morrow forenoon at 11 o'clock, in presence of the retiring governor, Hon. James Dunsmuir, and members of the cabinet. It will be exceedingly simple, merely the administration of the oath of office by Mr. Boudreau.

BIG REDUCTION IN RATES FOR GRAIN

Union Prices Have Been Cut to 24s. 6d. by Recent Fixture.

Unless lumber charters are secured, the disengaged fleet of foreign sailing vessels now on Puget Sound will likely be compelled to remain over another season in idleness. During the past two weeks the fleet has been augmented by the arrival of two seeking vessels, the British ship Riverside, which arrived there Tuesday, and the French barque Empereur Menelik, now down Sound. Exporters claim that the grain export season is practically over and that with the market in its present state and the strong home demand for grain, there will be but little more shipped foreign this year.

Among the vessels idle are the British ship Halewood at Esquimalt, and the British barque Haddon Hall at Vancouver, the British ship Senator at Eagle Harbor, the British ship Stronsa at Port Townsend, the British ship Celticburn and the British barques Celtic Monarch and Crompton at Quartermaster Harbor. The French barque Empereur Menelik may leave the Sound in ballast and proceed to Australia.

In discussing the coast charter market the San Francisco Daily Commercial News says:

"Grain rates per sailing ship from the Pacific Coast to the United Kingdom are weak and a reduction in the union minimum is expected by exporters. Last year the union rate was discontinued for several months owing to the dilapidated condition of the market, and vessels in the union were permitted to take what they could get. Conditions now are somewhat similar to those prevailing last year, and it is practically impossible for shippers to pay the union rate. The latest business was a recharter at 24s 6d, a reduction of 3s from the union figure. With the expectations of a relief from the stringent rules of the union it is not likely that there will be any fixing of grain vessels until after the new year.

"The offshore lumber business has picked up considerably of late, but the ample supply of idle tonnage makes any improvement in rates improbable. Recently, Puget Sound to Brisbane (sail) has been done at 34s, Portland to Capetown (sail) at 55s, Puget Sound to New York (sail) at private terms, which are somewhat better than the last previous business of the same kind, and Puget Sound to Port Pirie (steam) on time at 2s 3d on d. w.

"Coastwise rates are firmer. A sailer was fixed during the week Puget Sound to San Pedro at $4.50, and a steam schooner has just been fixed at the same figure. This is an advance of 25 cents, but as yet the advance is not general. There is an attempt being made to return to the 75 cent differential between San Francisco and San Pedro, but it has not yet succeeded.

"Off shore lumber rates are quoted as follows: Lumber from Pudget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 31s 3d; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 32s 6d; Port Pirie, 33s 9d@35s; to Fremantle, 36s 3d; to Japan ports (steamers), 30s@31s 3d; Callao, 35s 9d@40s; direct nitrate ports, 40s@42s 6d; Valparaiso, for orders, 40s@42s 6d; with 2s 6d less to direct ports; to South African ports, 52s 6d; Guaymas, $5; Mazatlan, $5@$5.25; Santa Rosalia, $6; Honolulu, $5.

"In general chartering Norfolk to San Francisco (steam) has been done at $3.20 and $3.25; Rotterdam to San Francisco (sail) at 18s, with the option of Portland or Puget Sound at 16s; Sydney to U. K., wheat, has been done at 23s; South Australia at the same rate; Fremantle at 22s 6d, and Melbourne at 24s. Nitrate freights are easier, 16s 6d spot and 15s@15s 6d later loadings."

LOCAL STOCKS

(By Courtesy N. B. Maysmith & Co.)

(Private Exchange.)

	Bid.	Asked.
American Canadian Oil	.09	.11½
B. C. Amalgamated Coal	.02	.02½
B. C. Permanent Loan	120.00	132.00
B. C. Pulp & Paper	.70	1.00
B. C. Refining Co.	.80	....
B. C. Copper	6.25	7.50
Bakeries, Ltd.	....	7.25
Canadian Northwest Oil	.14	.19
Diamond Coal	.65	....
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	.07	.11
Great West Permanent	113.00	120.00
International Coal & Coke	.80	.86
McGillivray Creek Coal	....	.32
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	50.00	68.00
Nootka Marble Quarries	....	5.25
Northern Bank Certificates	85.00	....
Crown Certificates	80.00	98.00
Northern Oil	....	.06½
Pacific Loan Co.	30.00	....
Pacific Whaling (pref.)	62.00	....
Portland Canal Mining	.19	.22
Rambler Cariboo	....	.12
Royal Collieries	.24	.26
South African Scrip	600.00	....
Silica Brick	....	1.25
Stewart M. & D. Co.	2.10	....
Victoria Transfer Co.	....	50.00
Western Coal & Coke	1.70	2.40

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 9.

	High.	Low.	Bid.
Allis Chalmers	15¼	15⅛	15⅛
Do., pref.	54⅝	54⅛	54
Amal. Copper	88⅛	87¼	87⅛
Amer. Car. & Foundry	73¼	72⅞	72⅞
Amer. Cot. Oil	68⅞	68¼	68¼
Amer. Ice	28⅝	28	27⅞
Amer. Loco.	61⅝	61¼	61¼
Amer. Smelting	100¼	99⅝	100⅜
Amer. Sugar	124⅞	122⅞	123⅛
Amer. Woollen	36⅜	35¼	35⅛
Do., pref.	104	103⅜	103¼
Anaconda	49¼	49	49¼
Atlantic Coast	135⅞	135	134½
Atchison	122½	122	122⅜
Do., pref.	104⅝	104¼	104⅜
B. & O.	117⅞	116⅞	117
B. R. T.	82½	81½	82
C. P. R.	181½	181¼	181¼
C. & O.	88⅞	88¼	88¼
C. & A.	68¼	67⅞	67⅞
C. & G. W., pref., "A"	35	34⅜	34½
Do., pref., "B"	26	25½	25⅝
C. & N. W.	178⅜	177½	178⅝
C., M. & St. P.	156⅜	155½	156⅛
Central Leather	47¼	46⅜	46⅜
Do., pref.	108⅞	108⅜	108⅝
C. F. & I.	51½	50⅞	51
Do., pref.	120	120	118
Con. Gas	151⅞	150½	151
Hocking Coal	90½	89⅞	89⅞
Corn Products	21⅜	21½	21⅜
Do., pref.	84	83⅜	83⅜
Erie	33⅜	33½	33⅜
Do., 1st pref.	49⅜	48⅜	48½
G. N. Ore ctfs.	81½	80⅞	80½
G. N., pref.	143½	143	143⅜
Ill. Cen.	146½	146½	146½
Inter-Metro.	25¼	25	25⅛
Do., pref.	63	62	62½
Iowa Central	29⅞	29½	29⅜
Do., pref.	54½	53½	53⅜
L. & N.	152½	151½	152
Mex. Cen. ctfs.	24⅜	23⅞	24
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	136	135	135⅞
M., K. & T.	50	48⅞	49⅛
Do., pref.	74⅜	74	74½
Mo. Pac.	71½	71	71
Nat. Lead	89	88⅜	88⅝
Nat. Biscuit	117⅜	117	115
N. Y. C.	129½	127⅝	129⅜
N. Y., O. & W.	50	49½	49½
N. & W.	100⅜	98	100⅜
N. P.	144½	143⅜	144½
Pacific Mail	43⅞	43⅛	43⅞
Pennsy.	134⅜	130⅞	134
People's Gas	114⅜	114½	114½
Pittsburg Coal	28	26	27½
Reading	173⅜	170⅞	171½
Rep. Steel	46⅞	46⅜	46⅜
Rock Island	41½	39⅞	41
Do., pref.	90	88⅜	89⅞
Sloss-Steel	88½	88	88
S. P.	130⅜	130	130⅜
Sou. Ry.	31⅞	31⅜	31⅜
Texas Pac.	25½	25	25½
Third Ave.	14⅜	13⅞	14
U. P.	202½	201⅜	202
Do., pref.	103⅜	103	103
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe	32⅜	32	32⅛
U. S. Steel	92	91⅜	91⅜
Do., pref.	125¼	125	125
Utah Copper	59⅜	58½	59
Va. Car Chem.	49½	49¼	49
Wabash	21½	20⅞	21⅛
Do., pref.	58½	57	58
Western Union	78⅜	78⅛	78
Westinghouse	84	83½	83⅞
Amn. Beet Sugar	48⅛	47⅛	47⅛
K. C. Southern	44⅛	43⅞	43⅝
U. S. Rubber	53½	53	53⅛

Money on call, 4 to 4½ per cent.
Total sales, 186,500 shares.

Vancouver Stock Exchange

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Vancouver, Dec. 9.

	Bid.	Asked.
Listed Stocks.		
Alberta Canadian Oil	7	9
Alberta Coal & Coke	4½	4¾
International Coal & Coke	81	83
Lucky Jim Zinc Mines	46	52
Portland Canal Mining	20½	21½
Stewart M. & D. Co.	220	225
Western Coal & Coke	190	225
Burton Saw Works	90	110
Great West Permanent	110	110
Unlisted Stocks.		
B. C. Packers, com.	12	..
B. C. Permanent Loan	120	130
B. C. Trust Corporation	95	105
Dominion Trust Co.	100	105
Northern Crown Bank—		
Crown Certificates	..	84
Northern Certificates	93	..
Pacific Whaling, pref.	60	..
American Canadian Oil	9¾	11
B. C. Copper Co.	7	7¾
Canadian Con. S. & R.	66	80
Canadian Northwest Oil	14	22
Cariboo Camp McKinney	..	1
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	7½	12
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	60	65
Rambler Cariboo	8	11
Royal Collieries	23½	26
S. A. Scrip	640	700
Sales.		
10 Nicola Valley		62
1 Scrip		650
1,000 Snowshoe		7½
3,000 Portland Canal		21
2 Nicola Valley		65

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Montreal, Dec. 8.

	Bid.	Asked.
Bell Telephone	145	149
C. P. R.	181	181½
Detroit United Ry.	65	66
Dom. Coal	91	91½
Do., pref.	116	..
Dom. Iron & S.	68⅜	68½
Do., pref.	136½	137½
Lake of Woods	129	..
Do., pref.	125	127½
Laurentide Paper	122½	123
Do., pref.	123	..
Mackay	92½	93¼
Do., pref.	77½	77¾
Montreal Lt. & P.	128½	129
Montreal St. Ry.	210	210½
Montreal Telegraph	147	150
Nova Scotia Steel	82½	83½
Do., pref.	123	..
Ogilvie Mlg. Co.	137	137½
Do., pref.	125½	..
R. & O. Navigation Co.	88	88½
Sao Paulo Tram	153½	154
Toronto Ry. Co.	125	125½
Twin City Rap. Trans.	112½	113
Banks.		
Bank of B. N. A.	150	155
Commerce	190½	..
Dominion	247	..
Hamilton	201	..
Imperial	230	232
Merchants	165	..
Molsons	202½	..
Nova Scotia	279	283
Ottawa	..	210
Quebec	122	123
Royal	225	230
Toronto	..	220
Union	135½	..
Montreal	251½	252

—The new music store, 1104 Government street, will be ready for business Saturday.

Business Properties

The features of the local real estate situation during the past week has been the decided movement in close-in properties. Here are some of the best offerings available to-day in this line. They are money makers without exception—

GOVERNMENT ST.—30 feet frontage, extending through to Langley street, perfectly central, a steady revenue producer.

YATES STREET—Lot 120 x 120, in the neighborhood of Quadra street, with cottage, $10,500.

BROAD STREET—Corner lot, 60 x 120, vacant.

GOVERNMENT ST.—Lot 100 x 120, near postoffice.

VIEW STREET—6-room house in block 16, a revenue producer. Price $2,500.

GOVERNMENT ST.—Corner lot, 150 x 100, close in, fine manufacturing site, $4,000.

FORT STREET—Corner, fairly close in.

Island Investment Co., Ltd.
BANK OF MONTREAL CHAMBERS, VICTORIA, B. C.
'Phone 1494.

San Francisco Markets

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 9.—Wheat—Australian and Proto, $2.05@$2.15; Sonora, $2.15@$2.25; good to choice California Club, $1.47½@$2.05; Northern wheat, Bluestem, $2.05@$2.07½; Club, $1.87½@$1.92½; Turkey, $1.95@$2.07½; Russian Red, $1.85.

Barley—Feed barley, $1.45@$1.46½; fancy, $1.47½; common to fair, $1.40@$1.42½; brewing and shipping, $1.48½@$1.50; fancy, $1.51½.

Eggs—Per dozen, including cases, extras, 36½c.; firsts, 48c.; storage, extras, 30c.

Butter—Per pound, California fresh, extras, 36½c.; firsts, 31½c.; seconds, 29½c.; storage, extras, 30c.; do., ladles, 25½c.; do., firsts, 25c.

New Cheese—Per pound, new California flats, fancy, 18½c.; firsts, 17c.; seconds, 15c.; California Young America, fancy, 19c.; firsts, 17c.; Eastern Oregon, 17c.; do., New York, singles, 19c.; do., Daisies, 19½c.; do., Young America, 18½c.; storage, California flats, fancy, 16c.; firsts, 15½c.; Young America, fancy, 18½c.

Potatoes—Per cental, River Whites, 75c. @90c. for choice eto fancy in sacks, with extra stock quotable at 90c.@$1; Salinas, $1.15@$1.35; Oregons, 85c.@$1.15; Sweet Potates, in crates, $1@$1.25; in sacks, 75c. @$1.00 per cental.

Onions—Per cental, yellow, $1.10.

Oranges—Per box, new navels, choice, $1.75@$2; fancy, $2.25@$2.50; new Tangerines, 75c.@$1 for small, and $1.75@$2 for large boxes; Mandarins, $1; Valencias, $3@$3.50.

GRAIN MARKET

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Chicago, Dec. 9.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	109	110⅝	109	109⅞
May	108	108⅞	108	108⅛
July	98⅞	99⅛	98⅝	98⅜
Corn—				
Dec.	59	59½	58⅞	58⅞
May	62⅛	62⅞	62	62⅛
July	61⅞	62⅛	61⅝	62
Oats—				
Dec.	41⅛	42⅜	41⅞	42⅛
May	43⅛	44⅛	43⅛	43⅞
July	41	41⅞	41⅛	41⅛
Pork—				
Jar.	21.40	21.55	21.37	21.50
May	20.81	21.00	20.87	20.95
Lard—				
Jan.	12.42	12.50	12.40	12.47
May	11.62	11.72	11.60	11.67
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	11.45	11.70	11.42	11.62
May	10.90	10.97	10.87	10.95

LOCAL MARKETS

Oils—		
Pratt's Coal Oil		1.65
Eocene		1.75
Meats—		
Hams (B. C.), per lb.		25
Bacon (B. C.), per lb.		27
Hams (American), per lb.		25
Bacon (American), per lb.	30@	35
Bacon (long clear), per lb.		20
Beef, per lb.	8@	18
Pork, per lb.	12½@	15
Mutton, per lb.	12½@	20
Lamb, hindquarter	1.50@	2.00
Lamb, forequarter	1.25@	1.75
Veal, per lb.	12@	20
Suet, per lb.		15
Farm Produce—		
Fresh Island Eggs		70
Butter (Creamery)		45
Lard, per lb.		20
Western Canada Flour Mills—		
Purity, per sack		2.00
Purity, per bbl.		7.75
Three Star Patent, per sack		1.95
Three Star Patent, per bbl.		7.75
Hungarian Flour—		
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack		2.00
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl.		7.75
Lake of Woods, per sack		2.00
Lake of Woods, per bbl.		7.75
Okanagan, per sack		2.00
Okanagan, per bbl.		7.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack		2.00
Calgary Hungarian, per bbl.		7.75
Excelsior, per sack		2.00
Excelsior, per bbl		7.75
Oak Lake, per sack		2.00
Oak Lake, per bbl.		7.75
Hudson's Bay, per sack		2.00
Hudson's Bay, per bbl.		7.75
Enderby, per sack		2.00
Enderby, per bbl.		7.75
Pastry Flours—		
Snowflake, per sack		1.85
Snowflake, per bbl.		7.25
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack		1.70
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.		6.50
O. K. Four Star, per sack		1.70
O. K. Four Star, per bbl.		6.50
Drifted Snow, per sack		1.70
Drifted Snow, per bbl.		6.50
Grain—		
Wheat, chicken feed, per ton	35.00@	40.00
Wheat, per lb.		2½
Barley		33.00
Whole Corn		38.00
Cracked Corn		40.00
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 8-lb. sk.		40
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 20-lb. sk.		1.00
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 40-lb. sk.		1.90
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 90-lb. sk.		4.50
Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack		50
Oatmeal, 90-lb. sack		2.25
Rolled Wheat, 10 lbs.		45
Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.		55
Wheat Flakes, per packet		35
Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.		45
Graham Flour, 10 lbs.		45
Graham Flour, 50 lbs.		1.75
Feed—		
Hay (baled), new, per ton	20.00@	22.00
Straw, per bale		75
Middlings, per ton		32.00
Bran, per ton		30.00
Ground Feed, per ton		35.00
Shorts		32.00
Poultry—		
Dressed Fowl, per lb.	25@	30
Ducks, per lb.		25
Geese (Island), per lb.	20@	25
Garden Produce—		
Cabbage, per lb.		3
Potatoes (local)		1.00
Onions, per lb.		3
Carrots, per lb.		3
WHOLESALE MARKETS.		
Lemons	5.00@	6.50
Walnuts (Cal.)	19@	20
Walnuts (Eastern)		15
Cocoanuts, each		10
Ham		20
Bacon		23
Carrots, per lb.		2
Bananas, per lb.		5
Potatoes (local), per ton	15.00@	20.00
Butter (Creamery)	30@	40
Butter (Dairy)		23
Eggs (ranch), per doz.		65
Oats, per ton		27.00
Hay, per ton	19.00@	20.00
Corn, per ton		38.00
Grape Fruit		4.00
Tomatoes (local), hothouse		2.00
Watercress, per doz.		1.00
Green Onions, per doz.		25
Radish, per doz.		30
Cauliflowers, per doz.		1.75
Onions (silver skins)		2
Onions (local), per lb.		1½
Valencia Oranges		4.50
Navel Oranges		4.50
Nutmeg Melons, per crate	4.00@	5.00
Pears (local)	1.50@	2.00
Egg Plants, per lb.		12½
Apples, per box	2.00@	2.50
Cranberries (New Jersey), bbl.		11.50
Cranberries (local), per bbl.		9.00
Garlic, per lb.		10
Celery		90
Figs (Cal.), per package	1.00@	1.75
Figs (Smyrna), boxes	1.00@	2.00
Figs (Smyrna), per doz. baskets		1.25
Artichokes (Cal.)		1.00
Persimmons, per box		2.00
Malaga Raisins, 22 lbs.		3.00
Oranges (Tangerine), per box		2.50
Pineapples, per doz.		4.00
Jap. Oranges, per box		65

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NEW BUNGALOW, Hillside Ave., lot 50x135, fenced; reception hall, parlor with grate and mantel, dining room, kitchen and pantry, 3 nice bedrooms and bath and toilet upstairs; price right, with small cash payment, balance monthly payments.

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6 ROOM NEW HOUSE, on Hillside Ave., fully modern, on good lot; price $2,800; $300 down, balance easy.
NEW 5 ROOM COTTAGE, on good, large, level lot, close to car line, on Richmond street; price $2,000, terms to suit.
6 ROOM BRICK HOUSE, modern, on John street; price $1,900, good terms.
NEW 6 ROOM HOUSE, fully modern, on Foul Bay car line, good large lot; price $2,300, good terms.
NEW 7 ROOM HOUSE, fully modern, on Ontario street; price $3,000, good terms.
6 ROOM COTTAGE, fully modern, on Pembroke street, facing new city park; price $1,900; $350 cash, balance to suit.
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5 ROOM HOUSE, on corner lot, Rock Bay, fully modern, good repair; price $2,100, any reasonable terms.

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FORT STREET—60-foot lot, for $3,600.

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MONTERAY AVENUE—Six acres cultivated; 7-room house; stable; fruit trees. Terms, $10,000.

FORT STREET—West of Cook; 6-room house, 30 x 120 lot; garden. Easy terms. $4,500.

DOUGLAS STREET—Four buildings on 100 x 100; corner lot; bringing in good rents. Price on terms, $12,000.

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$1,500—House, in good repair, Sayward avenue; easy terms.

$1,100—Lot 50x180, Oak Bay water; a great bargain.

$800—Large lot, Hillside Ave. and Blanchard street; terms.

$375—Corner lot, Blackwood street, near Hillside Ave.; terms.

$2,500—Large house, John street, near Government street.

We are making up our New Year's list of property. If you have not already listed yours with us, please do so. Maybe we can sell same for you.

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$1,800—JAMES BAY, 4-room house, bath, electric light, etc., full size lot, cultivated and laid out in fruit trees; $600 cash, balance to suit.

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$4,200—JAMES BAY, well built, cement block house of 8 rooms, first-class finish, hot-air heating, electric light, gas, bath, etc.; lot 50x130, good soil, near car line. Terms to suit.

We have several other choice properties for sale.

KING'S DAUGHTERS HOLD SALE AT DUNCAN

Large Sum Realized for Charity—Driving Logs in High Water.

(Special Correspondence.)

Duncan, Dec. 9.—The King's Daughters held a sale of work on Saturday last in the Agricultural hall. The day was fine and a good crowd attended. Almost everything saleable was sold. Miss Wilson had charge of a flower stall, Mrs. Dickie and Mrs. Macdonald of the needlework, Mrs. Walker and Miss Stephens of a talent stall, Mrs. H. D. Morten and Mrs. H. Holmes of a delicatessen stall, Miss Duncan and Miss Lomas of home-made candy, Miss Powell, Mrs. Henderson and Miss Bagley of afternoon tea. In addition to these were side attractions, arranged by Mrs. Phipps, Miss Prevost, Miss Holmes and the junior King's daughters. The little people cleared more than $30 at their stall. The funds raised at the sale will be used for the Christmas charities.

The new embankment which has just been completed stood the test of the floods on the river during the past week. The waters rose to within a few inches of the top, and the engineer, H. D. Irvine, and those connected with the work, are to be congratulated upon the success of the breakwater.

The lumber company took advantage of the high water to float their logs from Cowichan lake to the sea. The past week has been one of interest to the spectators who went to the river to see the logs coming down and the drivers breaking the jams that formed, it being found necessary to blast in many cases. The waters went down quickly and a great number of logs are left high on the banks and bars of the river.

CONVICTION QUASHED.

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Judge McInnes has quashed the conviction of the police magistrate made some time ago, against a Chinaman named Sam, charged with running a gambling house

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JUVENILE COURT AND DETENTION HOME

Vancouver Charter Must Be Amended Before Fund Can Be Raised.

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Consequent upon the report of the city solicitor that the council has no power under the city charter to borrow money for a juvenile court and detention home, the by-law for $20,000 for this purpose was withdrawn at the council meeting, and an amendment to the city charter will have to be secured before the civic authorities can raise funds for a new building. In the meantime it was resolved to inform the provincial attorney-general that the necessary details for the establishment of a court here have been carried out and request him to approach the Dominion government for a proclamation putting the court into operation.

The first budget of requests for flood damages came to hand, and the board of works will have the pleasure of settling the claims. W. H. Galliger, on Seventh avenue west, wanted repairs and so forth to his property; Mr. Stevenson, on Eighth avenue, between Ash and Bridge streets, asked $350, and W. W. H. Steeves, Fairview, made a plea through his lawyers for recompense. It is stated that Mr. Steeves wants something like $10,000. The First Presbyterian church requested that steps be taken to prevent a recurrence of a flood in the basement of the church building. Messrs. Martin, Craig, Bourne and Hay informed the council that they would commence a damage action in view of the destruction effected by the flood to the East End Brewery property owed by a Mrs. Miller.

The city solicitor reported that the railway commission had given authority for the erection of a foot bridge over the C. P. R. tracks at the end of Carroll street. As it was mentioned in the letter that the work was to be done at the expense of the city, the council referred the communication back to the solicitor, pending arrangements with the Union Steamship Company, as it was the intention that that company should bear the expense.

His worship the mayor, Ald. Prescott and Ald. McSpadden were appointed a committee to wait on the provincial government with respect to the proposed exchange of the old hospital site for the court house site.

The various money by-laws were given a first reading with the amounts omitted. The steam Supply Company by-law was also given a first reading, as was the Trades by-law amendment, to increase the fee for employment agencies from $25 to $250. The Coal and Wood by-laws were given a second reading, Ald. McKechnie gave notice of a by-law to raise $15,000 for the extension of the police patrol system, and he also gave notice of a by-law to purchase the property lying between the hospital and the High school. Ald. Goodman introduced a by-law to amend the Library Board by-law so as to make the terms of office for two years and alternating. The by-laws will be further considered at a special meeting.

FINANCES OF NEW WESTMINSTER

Receipts for Eleven Months of Year Amount to $515,916.

New Westminster, Dec. 8.—The city fathers Monday night held their final meeting before the election. The statement of City Treasurer Latham for the eleven months of the present year, up to November 30th, shows receipts amounting to $515,916.26, compared with receipts of $345,437 for the full twelve months of last year.

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GANGES HARBOR HAS MANY SOCIAL EVENTS

Steamship Changes—Personal News—North vs. South at Football.

(Special Correspondence.)

Ganges, Dec. 9. — The North Salt Spring football team will play the representatives of the south end in a football match on Friday, December 10th. The north end team will probably include the following: P. Lowther, W. Mouat, T. Speed, W. Lundy, J. M. Rogers (capt.), F. Crofton, H. Mansell, R. Norton, B. Cartwright, H. Emerson and P. T. Speed. South Salt Spring will undoubtedly turn out a representative eleven. The match between these two rivals will prove exceptionally exciting.

An enjoyable social time was spent at H. W. Bullock's house last Friday night. A large number of guests were present from all parts of the island. The dreamy waltz and the lively two-step were tripped until the early hours of the morning.

A most enjoyable dance was held in the school house at South Salt Spring last Friday night. A large number of young people were present and all had a pleasant time. Refreshments were served at midnight.

A recent acquisition to the Ganges Harbor motor fleet is A. R. Bittancourt's new gasoline launch.

The Sechelt Steamship Company, of Vancouver, has withdrawn the steamer New Era from the Salt Spring run, the steamer Tartar remaining to conduct a weekly service.

Canon Paddon, of Mayne Island, is paying a few days' visit to Salt Spring. He conducted the service at the Anglican church on Sunday.

Nels Nelson has assumed charge of W. E. Scott's large fruit farm at Ganges Harbor.

Rev. E. F. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson have left for California, where they will spend the winter.

ENTHUSIASTIC OVER MINING OUTLOOK

James Breen Predicts Great Future for British Columbia.

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—A party of prominent people from Spokane is visiting the city. Its members include Mr. James Breen, a millionaire mining operator and smelterman. Mr. A. H. Buchanan, manager of the Spokane agency of the Bank of Montreal; and Messrs. W. S. and Ben Norman. Mr. Breen in conjunction with A. Augustus Heinze, built the Trail smelter and later he also constructed a smelter at —Northport, Wash., later acquired by the Le Roi Mining Company. Mr. Breen now controls three large gold-producing mines in Montana, two of which are free-milling and the other a cyaniding proposition. He also owns large mining interests in Utah, Nevada and British Columbia. Mr. Breen is interested in the McKinley group, a promising copper-gold proposition on the north fork of copper river, forty miles north of Grand Forks. He also built the Crofton smelter at Crofton, Vancouver Island, but sold out five years ago. Mr. Breen still takes a deep interest in the British Columbia mining interests. He stated that he had learned with pleasure of the discoveries of the high-grade ore bodies on the Queen Charlotte islands, Portland Canal and in the Hazelton district.

"A few years hence when better transportation facilities shall have been provided, British Columbia will be one of the greatest mining countries in the world," said he.

VANCOUVER TRAGEDY

Verdict of Jury on Death of Peter Scurry.

Vancouver, Dec., 8.—The finding of the coroner's jury in the Scurry death on Friday night points the responsibility for the fatality at Julia Lewis, the colored women who is now in goal, charged with the crime of murder. Coroner Jeff empanelled the jury and after an examination of several witnesses, its verdict was that Peter Scurry came to his death by a bullet wound from a gun in the hands of Julia Lewis. The evidence of Dr. Curtis was to the effect that as the bullet had gone through the heart lodging in the right side of the body, death must have been instantaneous. He was of the opinion that the person firing the revolver was on a higher level than the deceased, and and it would appear as if the latter at the time was either lying down or on his knees. Thomas Slaughter, colored, thought that Scurry was probably lying on his bed asleep when he was shot.

NO SOCIALIST TICKET.

Nanaimo, Dec. 8.—At a well-attended meeting of the Nanaimo Socialist party it was decided to take no part in the forthcoming municipal elections, consequently there will be no Socialist ticket placed in the field, as reported. While refraining from taking any active part as a party, individual members will be at liberty to do as they see fit.

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115 ACRES—20 cleared, 200 fruit bearing trees, 300 chickens, team horses, mower, rake, ploughs, harrows and other necessary farm implements; house, with furniture, barn 25x50 shed attached, 3 chicken houses, good water. This property must be sold, and in order to find a purchaser the price has been made to force a quick sale, namely, $3,300. This is a snap for anyone looking for a first-class poultry farm.

9 ACRES—2 acres cleared and fenced, planted in fruit trees, good water, five room house, with usual outbuildings, five minutes' walk from school, store and post office; this property is easily worth $2,500; as the owner desires to leave the district he is willing to sacrifice in order to arrange his affairs without delay; price $1,500.

5 ACRES—Close to the city, good orchard, all cleared, black loam, good house, horse and buggy, $2,800.

7 ACRES—3½ miles from the city, good soil, $2,400.

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FORT STREET—Six-roomed bungalow with modern conveniences; lot 51 x 125. Price $3,600, on easy terms.

VICTORIA WEST—Cottage with modern conveniences; lot 52 x 100; situate near new school. Price $1,450. Terms.

$2,500—Two story seven-roomed house, all modern conveniences, situated on lot 50x137; apple, cherry, pear and plum trees, also small fruit. North Park street.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, B. C., at the next sitting thereof, for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me for and in respect of the Colonist Hotel, corner of Simcoe street and Douglas street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., unto Job Foster.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 28th day of October, 1909.

W. A. GATT.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Josephine E. Wark, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Strathcona Hotel, situated at Shawnigan Lake, B. C.

JOSEPHINE E. WARK.

Dated this 4th day of November, 1909.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the transfer books and register of members of the Portland Canal Mining Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, will be closed from December the 3rd to December the 18th, 1909, both days inclusive.

E. F. MILLER,
Secretary.

Duncans, B. C., 30th Nov., 1909.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE JAQUES, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," to all persons claiming to be creditors of the above-named deceased, or having goods in his hands for repair or otherwise, to deliver to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of January, A. D. 1910, full particulars of their claim, verified by statutory declaration. After said date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 30th day of November, 1909.

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COMPANION COURT FAR WEST, I. O. F., No. 279, meets first and third Mondays each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Douglas and Pandora streets. Isabelle Moore, Financial Secretary, 541 Hillside Ave., city.

K. OF P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora Sts. J. L. Smith, K. of R. & S. Box 544.

VICTORIA, No. 17, K. of P., meets at K. of P. Hall, every Thursday. D. S. Mowat, K. of R. & S. Box 164.

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WING ON, 1709 Government street. Phone 23.

VICTORIA SCAVENGING CO.—Office, 710 Yates street. Phone 662. Ashes and garbage removed.

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STUMP PULLER—Made in 3 sizes, for sale or for hire; contracts taken. J. Ducrest, 466 Burnside road, Victoria. Phone A1781.

Tentmakers

JEUNE & BRO., makers of tents, sails, [illegible] house, 570 Johnson St. Phone 795.

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PHONE 1982 FOR JEPSON TRANSFER—Trucking and expressing. Yates St. stand, above Broad. Orders left at Acton's, telephone 1061. Residence, 343 Michigan street.

TRUCKING—Quick service, reasonable charges. I. Walsh & Sons, Baker's Feed Store, 540 Yates street.

VICTORIA TRUCK AND DRAY CO.—Telephone 13. Stable Phone 1793.

Turkish Baths

821 FORT ST.—Phone 1856. Will be open till 11 p. m. Ladies' days are: Mondays from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., and Fridays 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. Swedish massage.

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WANTED—Agents to sell wireless telephone stock at all points on Vancouver Island. We have a fine proposition to offer first-class men. Quick promotion. J. H. Smith, 1122 Government St. d7

MEN WANTED—We want men in every locality in Canada to advertise our goods, tack up showcards in all conspicuous places, and generally represent us; $20 to $30 per week and expenses being made; steady work; entirely new plan; no experience required. Write for particulars. Royal Remedy Co., London, Ont., Can.

For Rent—Houses

WE ARE REVISING our old property lists and listing new properties for our advertising campaign, which will commence Monday, Dec. 13th. List your property now. We have established a temporary listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms on Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

TO RENT—New six roomed house, all modern conveniences, on Johnson street, near Vancouver, $20 per month. Apply 1110 North Park street. d9

TO LET—Large residence with grounds, corner of Government and Michigan streets; immediate possession. Heisterman, Forman & Co., 1207 Government street. d13

FOR RENT—7 roomed house, with large garden and stable, on Yates street, between Vancouver and Quadra, $25 per month. Gillespie & Hart, 1115 Langley street. n26 tf

FURNISHED COTTAGES TO LET, with electric light, bath, hot and cold water. Apply to Mrs. M. R. Smith, Sea View, 104 Dallas road. s27 tf

For Rent—Office

TO LET—One office in centre of town. Apply to Post Office Box 248. d10

For Sale—Acreage

FOR SALE—Section 25, Highlands District, 160 acres, crown granted, 60 acres good bottom land, fishing lake on property, good hunting; price $3,200. Write P. O. Box 983, Vancouver, B. C. 115

LIST YOUR PROPERTY with us now and take advantage of our big advertising campaign commencing Monday, December 13th. Our listing office is located in the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR EXCHANGE—¼ section wheat land, fenced, 30 acres broke, 4 miles from good town, 2½ from siding, for 80 acres good improved farm in Southern Vancouver Island; must be near school. Box 102, Tofield, Alta. d16

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ACRES for sale in Highland District, close to mountain lakes, log house beside stream which never goes dry; good hunting and fishing; some land cleared, but mostly timbered; $1,200. Box 666, Times Office. a10 tf

WANTED—To buy, prairie land in exchange for Victoria home containing 5 acres of land, mixed little with rocks and good land, suitable for chickens and fruits, only 2½ miles from city, new 6 roomed cottage, large barn, chicken house, fruit trees, and fine water piped all over the place, plenty of fuel, land all enfenced. Apply to P. O. Box 85, Victoria.

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FOR SALE—First-class gent's bicycle, owner leaving for North Friday. Apply Box 848, Times. d9

NEW AND SECOND-HAND PIANOS and organs at extremely low prices. Hicks & Lovick's stock reducing sale, 1204 Douglas street. d10

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FOR SALE—Single iron bed, springs, mattress; set scales; also violin. 1803 Quadra. d10

FOR SALE—Upright cabinet grand piano, cheap for cash, as parties are going East; must sell. Apply Mrs. Pearl Mickingham, Thoburn P.O., B.C. d9

FOR SALE—Upright piano, almost new; for cash or time; must sell on account of dissolvement in family. Apply T. C. Abrams, general delivery, Victoria, B. C. d9

XMAS PRESENTS—A chance to obtain your Xmas gifts at your own price. [illegible] every Saturday afternoon 2.30, and evening 7.30. Alaska Bazaar, 1120 Government street.

FOR SALE—Tools, guns, clothing, curios, crockery, scales, etc., at a sacrifice. At the XL Second-Hand Store, Oriental Alley, Johnson street, opposite Pantages Theatre.

GREENHOUSES, flat bottom boats, long ladders, steps, meat safes, dog houses, in stock and made to order. Jones, Capital Carpenter and Jobbing Factory, 1003 Yates St., cor. of Vancouver St.

FOR SALE—Lady's locket and chain, $2.50; up-to-date pearl and black earrings, $1.25; banjo breast stands, 75c.; gent's two-picture lockets, $1.25; imit. diamond rings, $2.50; English solid gold buckle rings, $7.50; collar buttons, sets, 10c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, phone 1747, 572 Johnson St., 6 doors below Government, Victoria, B.C.

FOR ALTERATIONS, repairs and jobbing, call on J. W. Bolden, carpenter and jobber, corner Fort and Qudara. Tel. L1752.

CHOICE FIR DOORS, sash, mouldings, etc., at lowest prices. Moore & Whittington, Yates street.

FOR SALE—One first-class cow, newly calved; ten small pigs; also buggies, light wagons, horses and harness. Apply to I. J. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 642 Discovery, or Mitchell street, Oak Bay.

Rooms for Housekeeping

TO LET—Housekeeping suite. 44 Menzies street. d13

TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms, suitable for bachelors or married couple, no children, $10 per month. Apply 630 Princess avenue. d10

FURNISHED HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS—Cheap. Opp. Empress Hotel, 628 Humboldt street. d9

BED, bed-sitting and housekeeping rooms, bath, electric light, Fort street. Box 781, Times. d31

TO LET—Nicely furnished housekeeping rooms. 600 Gorge road. d12

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For Sale—Houses

FOR QUICK SALE—6 roomed house on View street, close to Quadra street, $2,500, terms. Apply Tel. R1562. d21

REAL ESTATE LISTING OFFICE of N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., located at the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. If you have property for sale, list it now. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6 Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR SALE—New 8 roomed cottage, nicely situated in best residential part of James Bay. 141 Government street. d11

FOR SALE—Eight roomed house overlooking Beacon Hill Park; all conveniences; fruit and ornamental trees. Price $3,150. Phone R1496.

Help Wanted—Female

WANTED—Young girl to assist in dining room three hours a day; no Sunday work. Apply The Sandringham, 1212 Douglas street. d9 tf

WANTED—At the Protestant Orphanage, assistant matron. Apply between 2 and 5 p. m. d7 tf

MOTHER'S HELP WANTED—Young preferred; sleep at home. Box 814, Times Office. d9

WANTED—General servant. Apply Mrs. Fleming, Foul Bay road. d7

WANTED—A competent cook; good salary. Apply 920 Yates. d2 tf

WANTED—A daily governess for girl of thirteen. Apply Box 746, Times Office.

WANTED—Apprentices to dressmaking, and improver to work Singer machine. Mrs. Stuart, 566 Michigan street. d10

Help Wanted—Male

BOY WANTED. Apply Terry's Drug Store, Fort street. d9

WANTED—An apprentice to learn plumbing. J. H. Warner & Co., Ltd., 831 Fisguard street.

WANTED—Stripper, boy or girl, at once. Apply V. I. Cigar Factory, Johnson St. n18 tf

Hotels and Restaurants

WINDSOR CAFE—Under new management. Best 25c. diner in city, from 11.30 to 8 p. m. Meal tickets, $4.50. 905 Government street, opp. Post Office. F. W. Harrison, Prop. j4

Rooms and Board

FOR RENT—Front room, with use of kitchen; reasonable to neat elderly lady. 974 Fisguard. d13

WANTED—Two young men to share bedroom and board, $4.50. 729 Fisguard St., city. j7

THREE UNFURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—Bathroom, electric light, Mears street; ladies preferred. Apply 805 Fort street. d10

PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE for men, home comforts, terms moderate. Stanley House, 516 Hillside avenue, corner Bridge street.

THE POPLARS, corner house, facing Empress Hotel, room and board, moderate. d31

NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS. 949 Fort. d16

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LARGE furnished front room for two men; also housekeeping room. Cheap. 1023 Pandora.

THE "OAKS"—The only modern rooming house in Victoria. Steam heat, hot and cold running water and private telephone in all rooms. Every thing new and up-to-date. Special monthly rates to permanent roomers. 817 McClure St., corner Blanchard, Collinson and McClure Sts. Tel. 2112. J. Higuera, Prop.

MAPLEHURST, 1037 Blanchard street. Strictly white home cooking. Phone 452.

Situations Wanted—Male

CAPABLE BUSINESS MAN (33), good typist, bookkeeper and cashier, and experienced as office manager and secretary in manufacturing, merchants' and estate businesses, wishes position shortly. W., Box 213, Post Office, Victoria. d18

Lost and Found

[illegible] may receive same at 1118 Pandora. d9

LOST—On Wednesday, a brooch, bird set with eight pearls. Finder please return to Times Office and receive reward. n26 tf

For Sale—Lots

NEAR BEACON HILL PARK and beach, 2 lots, 109x120, for quick sale $1,850; $750 cash. Apply James Morgan, 803 Government street. d9

LARGE LOT—Chapman street, off Cook, $650 for quick sale. Apply James Morgan, 803 Government street. d9

WE ARE GOING TO ADVERTISE the choicest Victoria properties at the lowest prices. If you have any list it with us now. Listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

CORNER LOT, about 150x160, will make 4 large building lots, inside city limits, 2 minutes from car, 2 minutes from beach; sacrifice for quick sale, $1,750 cash. Owner, Box 810, Times. d3

WE WANT choice building lots, modern residential properties and good farm land. If you have anything that will fill the bill list it with us by Dec. 11th. Listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR SALE—Fine lot, Oak Bay avenue, 60x126, near junction. Price $950. Phone R1496.

For Sale—Wood

FOR SALE—Good wood, 4 ft., $3.50; cut, $4.50. Burt's Wood Yard. tf

READY TO BURN—Clean mill wood, large and small, to suit. Phone Hull, 1124.

For Sale—Machinery

FOR SALE—Complete line of Fairbanks scales, made in Canada. Everything from the most delicate to the heaviest. Call or send for catalogue. The Canadian Fairbanks Co., Ltd., Vancouver.

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For Sale—Livestock

FOR SALE—Cheap, one large horse, suitable for farm. Apply Dominion Hotel. d10

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NEW OFFICIAL FOR COAL CITY

H. Good Has Been Appointed Immigration Inspector at Nanaimo.

Nanaimo, Dec. 8.—Through the efforts of Ralph Smith, M. P., an immigration inspector has been appointed for this port, and Harry Good, of the customs department, has received official notice of his appointment as immigration inspector from Superintendent of Immigration Scott. Owing to the fact that the immigration act at present in force has been amended several times special instructions accompanied the letter of appointment, and from these it is clear that Mr. Good is to have extensive powers in regard to immigrants. That the appointment has become imperative has been demonstrated recently in several cases where sailors have been discharged from ships at this port when the captains had no right to do so, as the act plainly states that the permission of the immigration inspector must first be obtained. Recently several men have been sent back to this port to rejoin their ships after having made their way to Vancouver and other cities and there becoming a public charge. This of course entails a large amount of expense which will in future be unnecessary owing to the recent appointment, as there will now be a man on the spot to see that the regulations are properly carried out.

MILL FIGHT.

Charges and Counter-Charges Will Be Aired in Court.

New Westminster, Dec. 8.—The fight which occurred at Gray's mill at the mouth of the Pitt river on Wednesday morning last is being aired in the courts. Frank Pearson, blacksmith at the mill, has laid a charge of assault against four Japanese. The Japanese have retaliated by laying a charge of doing actual bodily harm against some of the Caucasians. Other Caucasians from the mill are now planning to lay other charges of assault against the Japanese and it will be for the courts to ascertain who is to blame for the mix-up in which a few heads were broken. An adjourned hearing of the case will come before Police Magistrate White at Westminster Junction on Thursday.

CADET CORPS ORGANIZED.

Nelson Company Holds First Drill—Has Twenty-five Members.

Nelson, Dec. 8.—At a meeting held at the armory the first company of cadets in Nelson was organized with twenty-five members. The company will be known as "A" company, 102nd Regiment Rocky Mount Rangers Cadet Corps. In the course of time the company will be increased to the full strength of thirty-two members. The Dominion government will supply rifles, side-arms, and belts, and the corps will have the same uniform as the 102nd regiment.

Major Lorne Stewart put "A" company through its first drill.

The weekly drill of the cadets will take place on Friday evenings.

HOLD-UP AT NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Dec. 8.—The city police are on the lookout for a slight built man who shortly after 6 o'clock last evening held up Ed. Hankins and compelled him to hand over his cash, some $7.50 in all.

Hankins was walking along Comox road in the direction of the city when he was confronted by a man who suddenly stuck the muzzle of a revolver into his face, at the same time calling out "Hands up." Hankins was not slow to comply with the request and made no protest when the hold-up man went through his pockets and took all his money, afterwards making his escape.

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—The death occurred yesterday at the family residence, North Saanich, of Mrs. John McDonald, relict of the late Donald McDonald. Deceased was born in Inverness, Scotland, and was 55 years of age. The late Mrs McDonald was widely known throughout the Saanich district. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence. Interment will take place in the cemetery of Holy Trinity church.

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YORK IMPERIAL, per box	$3.00
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BOXING BOUTS ON NEW YEAR'S NIGHT

Empress Club Has Date, But Non-incorporated Body Butts in.

That there will be boxing bouts on New Year's night is certain, for the Empress Athletic Club has received permission to stage a series of amateur three-round contests at the A. O. U. W. hall, and other parties are approaching the authorities for putting on two fifteen-round bouts the same night. The opposition party are trying to arrange for the biggest seating capacity hall in the city, and want to bring over Rafferty of Vancouver, to match him against a local of some class, and also propose to bring out a couple of local bantams for the second fifteen rounds.

The competition for the New Year's night date is keen, but the Empress club has got it, and it is hardly likely the opposition will be given the permission, and it is said they have already been turned down, but not satisfied, are trying again to get the permission of the authorities.

The staging of three-round amateur bouts in the A. O. U. W. hall under properly regulated conditions, as has been done in the past, and as is proposed by the Empress Athletic Club, has always found ready support with boxing fans here, who will rather, from the past attendances, see good amateur three-round bouts than go to see long contests that are drawn out over fifteen rounds. The short bouts make the contests fast and lively, and provides healthy sport. The Empress club has at least six bouts that it will put on. Having received the permission already it is not likely the authorities will grant a second permit for the same night.

The police commissioners in the past during Mayor Hall's administration, have always stipulated that permission would be given to hold amateur bouts to properly incorporated athletic clubs, provided the bouts were carried out in strictly amateur fashion, but that individual promoters would not be allowed to run these competitions for personal gain. The Empress club comes under the head of properly formed athletic bodies, and the granting of the permit to that organization was satisfactory to all the athletic clubs who have before been interested in these bouts. In view of the former rule laid down by the mayor and the police it is hardly likely that the permit asked by the other promoters will be given. The Empress club had first permission and have gone on arranging their affairs, and will have them all perfected this week.

TRIAL OF FORMER ADJUTANT-GENERAL

Defence Contends Charge of Embezzlement is Not Substantiated.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 9.—The big fight in the trial of former Adjutant-General Otis Hamilton centres to-day around the law question that is being argued, as to whether the state had proved obtaining money by false pretences or embezzlement. The contention of the defence is that the former charge has been proven, and that the embezzlement charge has not been substantiated by the evidence.

The state rested its case late yesterday, the trial closing with a partial corroboration by Adjutant-General George Lamping of the testimony of Governor Hay and Attorney-General Bell, as to the confession made by Hamilton at the conference in the governor's office on May 5th last.

It is certain that the defence will ask for a direct verdict of acquittal when that matter is reached. It is regarded by both the state and the defence that it is a close question that Judge Mitchell is to decide whether Hamilton is to be tried upon the embezzlement charge or whether the charge of obtaining money by false embezzlement charge not proven.

If a verdict of guilty is brought in by the jury the case will be appealed to the Supreme Court. The defence believes it will be able to get a new trial on reversible errors, as no point was lost sight of in sending in an objection either to the admissibility of evidence or a ruling by the court.

SULTAN LOSES PAWN TICKETS.

Judge Orders Postponement of Sale of Jewels Pledged by Ruler of Morocco.

Paris, Dec. 9.—With scores of jewel collectors anxious to bid for the handsome stones of the crown collection of deposed Sultan Abdul Aziz of Morocco, and Abdul himself greatly concerned as to the safety of his treasures, which he pawned, a peculiar tangle has resulted here following the loss of the pawn ticket issued by the government brokers.

El Mokri, Paris representative of the Moorish government, attended the auction at which the unredeemed royal jewels were to be sold. Many diamond merchants of Paris, Berlin, Amsterdam and London also were present. When it was discovered that the Moroccan had lost the ticket, the merchants demanded that the jewels be auctioned immediately. The judge, however, postponed the sale for one month.

—The funeral of the late John Fisher Wessel took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, where the Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard conducted an impressive service. The hymn, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," was sung. There was a number of friends present and many flowers were sent. The following acted as pallbearers: W. E. Auld, N. Hansen, G. Walker and J. W. Walker.

ONLY 13 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE XMAS. SHOP TO-DAY

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AN UNUSUAL HOLIDAY SHOW

Awaits Your Early Inspection. Come Now—While Choice is Best

COUNT up the number of gifts you ought to buy—then come here and see how splendidly these stocks will meet your desires and how little the cost need be. We never had such an exposition of beautiful things, and never presented such extraordinary values. Choice pieces in art pottery, china, cut glass and silver await you. And there is nothing more pleasing to a woman than a gift chosen from this list.

There are but a few shopping days before Christmas and to-day seems an ideal time to make the purchase. Choice now is better than it can possibly be at a later date—the variety will soon start to lessen rapidly each day, so come early.

The morning has many shopping advantages, besides plenty of elbow room.

A Chocolate Set Makes a Dainty Christmas Gift

We Offer You many Choice Sets at Prices Ranging From $5.50 to $30.

Few ladies there are who wouldn't appreciate the receipt of a dainty china chocolate set as a Christmas gift. A chocolate set is a gift article that is serviceable and also ornamental—that combines these two features in an unusual degree. We have a magnificent collection this season and offer you much choice, having them priced from $30 to $5.50.

We have selected four medium-priced sets in beautiful Limoges French china. Any one of these would please. Come in and see the whole showing.

Chocolate Set—Consisting of 6 cups and saucers and chocolate jug. Pure white china with heavy gold on handles and edges. Very dainty. Price, per set .. $5.50

Chocolate Set—The decoration on this pretty set is pleasing. Gold on edges and handles combined with pretty leaf design pleases. Six cups and saucers and jug $7

Chocolate Set—A beautiful decoration of violets and gold makes this one of the most attractive sets in the store. Six cups and saucers and jug. Per set .. $7

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New Sterling-Mounted Cut Glass Gift Things

SOME charming gift pieces in sterling silver mounted cut glassware are being priced to-day. These newest arrivals in gift things are bound to please you. They represent the very newest ideas in their respective lines. The cutting is deep and of handsome pattern. The prices that are going to adorn these pieces will please as much as their unusual beauty. The shipment includes some dainty pieces of colognes, sugar shakers, salt cellars, vases, etc. Come in to-day and view the latest arrivals. Dozens of other new things shown in the silverware department—first floor.

Some Specially Good Values in Gift China

A Few Items From a Big Stock of Little-priced Pieces

On a recent Eastern purchasing trip our china buyer "picked up" several excellent "good buys" in china—which, translated, means that he was fortunate enough to secure some very favorable pricings on some attractive lines of china. Many of these pieces are now on display, and we advise an early tour of inspection. You'll find dozens of specially interesting values throughout the china store. Here are a few lines of little-priced pieces chosen at random—hundreds of others.

TEAPOT, SUGAR AND CREAM, 3 pieces, at	$1.00
CHEESE DISHES, from, each	50¢
SALAD BOWLS, at, each, 75c, $1.50 and	$1.25
BERRY SETS, 6 saucers and bowl. Set	$3.00
CHILD'S SET, 23 pieces—teapot, sugar, cream, 6 cups and saucers and 6 plates, nice decoration. Per set	$2.00
CHILD'S SET, 17 piece set—teapot, sugar and cream and 6 cups and saucers, attractive decorations. At, per set, $1.50 and	$1.25

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MUFFIN DISHES, covered. Each	$2.00
PUDDING SETS, 3 pieces. Set	$4.50
ORANGE BOWL AND STAND, large size	$4.50
CAKE PLATE. Each	$1.25
FRUIT BASKETS, at, each, $2 and	$1.50
ICE CREAM DISH OR PLATTER	$3.50
HOT MILK POT. Each	$1.00
SUGARS AND CREAMS. Per pair	75¢
TEAPOT, SUGAR AND CREAM, 3 pieces	$2.00
JUGS, at, each, $1,50, $1.25 and	85¢
PLATES, at, per dozen, $17.50 to	$6.00
SYRUP JUG AND PLATE, at	$1.25
COFFEE POTS, at, each	$2.00
CHOCOLATE SETS—pot and 6 cups and saucers, at, per set	$5.00
BERRY SETS, 6 saucers and bowl. Set	$3.50
LUNCH SET—tray and cup. Set	$2.00
CHOCOLATE CUPS AND SAUCERS. Per dozen	$6.00
MARMALADE AND STAND at	$1.50
MAYONAISSE AND STAND at	$1.25

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"MARATHON" WALTZERS STILL HOLD FLOOR

Notwithstanding Exhaustion They Ignore Appeals to Abandon Contest.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Butte, Mont., Dec. 9.—Promoters of "Marathon" waltz, which began here Tuesday night, are appealing to the participants to stop, but notwithstanding the terrible exhaustion of the couples, they have refused. Three of the 53 couples were taken from the floor of the hall last night by policemen, acting under instructions from Mayor Nevin, after they had danced continuously for 14 hours and 41 minutes without nourishment of any kind. Six girl contestants have been taken to the hospital, one suffering from a ruptured blood vessel, and another having been stricken with muscular paralysis. As the hours drag on, the tongues of the girls fairly hang from their mouths, and many are kept on their feet only by the efforts of their male partners.

The authorities have been appealed to to put a stop to the exhibition, and it is probable that the long-distance dancers will be compelled to stop before the day is over.

COLD WEATHER CAUSES STORES TO CLOSE

Southwestern States Are Still in the Grasp of King Frost.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 9.—The southwest to-day is still in the grasp of the cold wave that has prevailed for two days and little prospect of relief is in sight. The month of December so far has been the coldest on record throughout Western Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.

In this city much suffering is experienced because of the failure of the natural gas supply. Many steres in Topeka are closed to-day on account of the extreme cold, the temperature for the past two days having ranged between zero and ten degrees above.

Telegraph and telephone lines are down over the entire middle west, the intense cold following a heavy snowstorm having contracted and snapped the wires off at many points. Every line out of Chicago is said to be disturbed.

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MINISTER'S WARNING.

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 9.—Among those present at the opening of the winter fair was Hon. Duncan Marshall, minister of agriculture for Alberta. A note of warning was sounded by Hon. J. S. Duff, minister of agriculture for Ontario, at the annual re-union and dinner of the students and ex-students of the Ontario Agricultural College Tuesday night, when he stated that if the people of Ontario were not true to the province, Ontario would soon lose the title of being the banner agricultural province of the Dominion.