

PEACE CONFERENCE AT SHANGHAI

BRITISH AND JAPANESE OFFICIALS AS MEDIATORS

Dr. Sun Yet Sen Elected President of New Republic by Revolutionists

London, Dec. 18.—The Peking correspondent of the Times says it has been decided that the British and Japanese consuls-general at Shanghai shall act as mediators in the present negotiations.

Conference Opens.

Shanghai, Dec. 18.—The peace conference between Wu Ting Fang, the foreign secretary of the revolutionary cabinet, and Tang Shao Yi, representing Premier Yuan Shi Kai, and five delegates selected by each side, opened in the town hall here at 2.30 this afternoon.

The delegates were welcomed by the chairman of the municipal council after which they proceeded to business. All except the delegates were excluded from the building, which was guarded by British police. The public is not even allowed on the same side of the street.

One of the notable facts in connection with the conference is that both principals are natives of Canton and old friends. On their first entrance into the room the greeting of the delegates was most friendly.

Tang Shao Yi said he does not represent the throne, but is a person representative of Premier Yuan Shi Kai. This declaration may be regarded as significant.

Both Wu Ting Fang and Tang Shao Yi privately expressed the hope that some agreement might be reached as a result of the discussion.

Amos P. Wilder, American consul-general here, formally called on Tang Shao Yi and talked with him on the subjects of general interest without touching on the subject of revolution.

The strictest precautions have been taken for the protection of Tang Shao Yi, as an intimation has reached the police that some among the more hot-headed students have been advocating his assassination on the ground that he is supporting the Manchus. There is reason to believe that this idea is absolutely without foundation. Tang Shao Yi is an advocate of a constitutional monarchy, but does not support the retention of the Manchu dynasty. His sympathies are with the Cantonese reformers, and he does not believe in a republic.

Revolutionary Convention.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 18.—A cable received here to-day reports that Dr. Sun Yet Sen has been elected president of the new Chinese republic by the revolutionary convention sitting at Yokohama yesterday. A dispatch was received by the Chinese Free Press, a local Chinese paper.

This news apparently was confirmed by another message early to-day coming from Shanghai giving the names of the cabinet ministers of the new government. Dr. Sun, according to the reports, received half of the votes cast by the delegates of the fourteen provinces. Wang Hing, one of Dr. Sun's supporters, came next in the list and was made minister of war. Wang is a graduate of the military school in Tokio. Tong Far Ling, late revolutionary governor of Hu Peh province, was named as minister of the interior. The Chinese in America were honored by the appointment of Fung Chi Yuan, a colonial minister. Fung arrived at Yokohama yesterday, having sailed from San Francisco during the last of November. He is a graduate of a Japanese university and editor of Chinese revolutionary papers both at Yokohama and Hongkong.

FERNIE BOY MISSING.

Disappeared a Week Ago—Search Proves Fruitless.

Fernie, Dec. 18.—A small boy named Hector F. Nicholson, aged 7, rather slender and tall for his age, disappeared from the Fernie school grounds a short time after the dismissal of school last Monday evening, and has not been seen or heard from since. The last known of the boy was a statement of a playmate named Thelma, who says she saw Nicholson on the way to an Auntie Moore, a friend of the family living near Mrs. Moore was not at home at the time and knows nothing of the boy having called at her house. These facts were not reported to Principal Brace of the school until last Thursday, and since that time the police have had the case in hand, but so far no clue can be gained of the missing boy. His record was good at the school and he was considered a good boy by those who knew him.

It is thought that the lad, through some anticipated trouble growing out of a sleigh-ride taken by himself and two or three other boys a few days before, and fearing to meet his parents, has run away. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson came here from Spring Hill, N. S., a few months ago. Mr. Nicholson is a miner and works in the Coal Creek mines.

SHILOH LEADER SENT TO PRISON

Must Serve Ten Years for Causing Deaths of Six Persons

Portland, Maine, Dec. 18.—Ten years in the federal prison at Atlanta was the sentence imposed to-day on Rev. Frank W. Sanford, leader of the Holy Ghost and U. S. Society of Shiloh, for causing the deaths of six persons on the yacht Coronet. For ten hours yesterday Sanford stood in the pulpit at Shiloh, talking, preaching and praying. Of the six hundred odd men, women and children who make up the strange religious colony, hardly one was absent from the services.

GIRL ROUTS BURGLAR.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 18.—Fighting bravely after being struck on the head with the butt of a pistol in the hands of a robber, Katie Kolstrum, a maid in the employ of Frederick Prael, last night put the robber to flight and probably saved several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry and silver.

Closely following the attempted robbery of the Prael residence, three other homes in the vicinity were entered, evidently by the same man, and jewelry and other valuables worth several thousand dollars stolen. The robber has not been captured.

PREDICTS ANGLO- GERMAN CLASH

J. NORTON GRIFFITHS IN PESSIMISTIC MOOD

Believes Two Countries Will Be at War Within Six Years

New York, Dec. 18.—John Norton Griffiths, Conservative member of the House of Commons, says that within the next six years Great Britain and Germany will be at war, and all of Europe will feel the effects of the conflict. He made his prophecy without qualification following his arrival in New York from the Canadian Northwest. In saying it he gave what he believed to be the reason for Canada's refusal to accept reciprocity at the recent elections.

"The people of Canada," said Mr. Griffiths, "realized in their elections that a far graver problem than trade comity with the United States confronted them and that problem was the bringing together of the British Empire in unity to confront the menace of a war which would soon threaten the existence of the mother nation."

LLOYD GEORGE IS VICTIM OF ASSAULT

Male Suffragist Hurls Brass- bound Box Into Face of Chancellor

London, Dec. 18.—David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, was seriously injured while leaving a woman's Liberal meeting here Saturday evening, at which he had just made a speech.

A male suffragist hurled a brass-bound box at the chancellor, which struck him full in the face, cutting his lip and badly injuring his eye. A doctor who attended to the chancellor's injuries said he had a narrow escape from losing the eye.

Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Lloyd George both addressed the meeting in favor of including female franchise in the government's suffrage bill next year.

ITALIANS ROUT ARABS AND TURKS

THOUSAND REPORTED KILLED OR WOUNDED

Turkish Deputies Fear Attempt Will Be Made to Dis- solve Chamber

London, Dec. 18.—An interesting point in connection with the Turco-Italian war is the news that the Grand Vizier introduced a bill in the chamber of deputies on Saturday providing that the Sultan might dissolve parliament in time of war. The Turkish opposition deputies assumed that it was the intention of the government to dissolve the chamber and conclude peace, and they hotly attacked the Grand Vizier in spite of his declaration that there was no present intention of dissolving, but that the adoption of the bill was necessary in order to assure a strong government.

According to late dispatches, several sharp reconnaissance engagements occurred at Homs, Tripoli, Saturday.

The Italian Government denies the reported Turkish victory at Benghazi. It says the Turks and Arabs made a vigorous attack there December 15, but were repulsed, suffering severe losses.

A news agency dispatch from Rome says the Italian cruisers shelled the Turks and Arabs at Homs on Thursday. The latter were eventually driven off by a sortie by Italian infantry from the trenches. The losses are estimated at 1,000 dead or wounded and 500 prisoners.

It is stated at the Turkish embassy that the Porte has lodged a protest with the Powers against the alleged action of the Italians in bombarding a mosque in the northern region of Meha, Yemen, at the time of prayers, killing nine and wounding many. The Porte asserts that such an attack in an undefended locality is contrary to all the principles of international law.

Arabs Massing.

Paris, Dec. 18.—The Temps' correspondent with the Turks, telegraphed from Azizia under date of December 15, that thousands of well-armed Arabs have been concentrating there in the last two days. A body of noted Arab fighters arrived at Azizia on that date, after a forty-eight day march.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

Reported to Be Slightly Easier, but Condition is Still Critical.

London, Dec. 18.—Sir Charles Tupper is slightly easier to-day, but his condition is still critical. Within the last three weeks his portrait has been painted for the Canadian House of Commons.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

List of Candidates Who Passed at Western Centres of Canada

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The Gazette contains the list of successful competitors in the recent civil service examinations. Following is the list of successful candidates at a preliminary examination for the outside division of the civil service in Canada, held at the western centres of the Dominion:

At Victoria—George E. Fish, Joseph R. Fish, Lionel F. Hawke, Harold G. Humber, Alexander Low.

At Vancouver—Jessie McDonald, Francis Thompson.

At Nelson—Edward F. O'Neill.

At Edmonton—Earl L. Dewar.

At Calgary—Alfred H. Black.

At Regina—John Banerman, Francis C. Dalefosse, George F. White.

Following is the list of successful candidates qualifying in the examination for the outside division of the civil service of Canada held at the western centres of the Dominion:

At Victoria—William J. Crawford.

At Vancouver—Harry F. Devlin, Francis Thompson.

At Edmonton—Arthur G. Gronow, Charles A. Lawrence, Harry S. Parker.

At Calgary—S. C. Bate, Arthur Bonter, John Brown, James J. Connors, Harold W. Johnston, James S. Kerr, David I. Moore, Henry A. Randall, William Sarson, C. E. Scantlebury, Edward T. Fowler.

At Moose Jaw—Sadie Cole, Harold A. Macdonald, Edgar Riley.

At Regina—G. H. Lerner.

GUESTS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—Fifty half-clad guests of the Wellington Hotel were carried from their rooms by firemen, or escaped down ladders during a fire which began shortly before midnight Saturday and destroyed the hotel. The loss is estimated at \$50,000. The Wellington Hotel was a landmark of Kansas City.

SPOKANE MEN BUY KOOTENAY CLAIMS

Property Near the Lucky Jim Mine to Be Operated on Large Scale

Nelson, Dec. 18.—H. Geierich and associates have concluded a deal on the Panama group, consisting of two claims situated at Bear Lake, a short distance from the Lucky Jim mine. Spokane capitalists are the purchasers.

The Panama shipped a car of high grade silver ore from here this fall and it is considered one of the coming properties of the district. It is the intention of the new owners to open it up on a large scale, as soon as the roads are passable in the spring.

WOMAN THROWN FROM TAXICAB.

New York, Dec. 18.—The police are looking to-day for a party of midnight revelers who threw a young woman out of the window of a speeding taxicab last night at Sixth avenue and Fifty-second street. She was picked up unconscious and hurried to Roosevelt hospital with a broken leg and internal injuries. A bystander told the police that he had seen her hurled from the car, which he said, was without a number or any other means of identification.

COUNTERFEIT BILLS.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Counterfeit five dollar bills are in circulation here.

TREATY WILL BE ABROGATED

UNITED STATES NOTIFIES RUSSIA

Objection by Idaho Senator Prevents Senate From Taking Action

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—An objection by Senator Heyburn of Idaho, who protested against precipitous action, prevented the United States senate from voting to-day to approve the action of President Taft on December 15, in notifying Russia that the United States desired to terminate the treaty of 1832 with that country.

The senate went into session at 2 o'clock this afternoon to ratify the action of President Taft in notifying on December 15 the Russian government of the intention of the United States to abrogate the treaty of 1832 with that country.

President Taft sent to the senate a message stating the course he had pursued. Earlier he advised the foreign relations committee of the senate of executive steps taken. The same committee recommended that the senate act with the House in carrying out the abrogation of the pact. Under the notice to Russia and under the terms of the treaty itself, the abrogation will be effective January 1, 1913.

The president's message was read in the senate in open session soon after it convened. He stated he took the matter up with the Russian ambassador in this city last Friday.

The official declaration of the intention to abrogate did not reach the Russian government until yesterday.

After the message and resolution had been read, Senator Heyburn maintained that the further consideration of the matter should be in executive session. He declared that it was proposed to cancel a contract of great commercial interest to the United States, involving the trade of many millions of dollars and he thought it should be seriously considered and at length.

On Senator Heyburn's objection to the consideration of the resolution it went over until to-morrow under the rules of the senate.

In a letter to the foreign relations committee and in a message to the senate, President Taft to-day stated that he served notice on Russia of the abrogation of the treaty on December 15 last, Friday. President Taft served the notice of abrogation on the Russian ambassador at the White House.

It was this conference with the ambassador which gave rise to the report that a formal protest had been entered by Russia against the language of Sulzer's resolution. It is now said that the notification that Russia would be offended at the Sulzer resolution came from American Ambassador Guild at St. Petersburg.

The resolution of abrogation to be adopted by the senate will base the action of this country on the ground that difficulties have arisen in the construction of the treaty and that for this reason it seems desirable that it should be terminated.

ANGLOPHOBIA IS INCREASING

COLOGNE NEWSPAPER'S WILD STORY OF PLOT

Report of British Conspiracy to Blow Up Wilhelmshaven Harbor Discredited

Cologne, Dec. 18.—The Rheinisch Westphalian Zeitung publishes a story of the alleged discovery of a plot on the part of Great Britain to blow up Wilhelmshaven harbor. The Zeitung professes to have received its information from one of the best-informed officials, who said that the postal authorities, becoming suspicious of many money orders in favor of the dock officers and chief mates, finally secured one of the letters. They showed that the plans to the entrances to Wilhelmshaven harbor, as well as plans of the supply and the contents of the secret code book, had been betrayed to the British Admiralty. The paper points out that with such information at its command, Great Britain could blow up the entrances to the harbor at the decisive moment, making it utterly useless, and Germany, at the very beginning of war, helpless to defend herself at sea.

To prevent the threatened danger, the Zeitung continues, a German squadron should remain on patrol duty.

Recent conferences between the Emperor, the minister of marine, the chief of the admiralty staff and the chief of the marine department dealt with this danger.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—The alleged discovery of a British plot to blow up the naval harbor at Wilhelmshaven, published in the Rheinisch Westphalian Gazette, is regarded in official circles in the light of newspaper nonsense. While the Essen newspaper story is not denied, it is considered the product of the prevailing espionage maintained in Germany and England. Espionage existed, but it took less fantastical forms than that related in the Gazette.

"Mere Romance."

London, Dec. 18.—The story that the British Admiralty has secured plans of the locks and water supply of the secret signal codes of Wilhelmshaven with the idea in the event of war of blowing up the harbor's entrance and thus bottling up the German fleet, is regarded here as mere romance. The story is thought to have been told by German officers to the Rheinisch Westphalian Zeitung, which is strongly anti-British.

ARCHBISHOP'S JUBILEE.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 18.—Archbishop John Ireland will have completed fifty years of priesthood next Thursday, but the venerable priest will not permit of any general public anniversary celebration, this being his expressed wish. The completion of the half century of ecclesiastical service will take place in the seventy-third year of the archbishop's life.

TRAVELLERS OF DOMINION MEET

Reports Show Large Increase in Membership of Association—Officers Elected

Montreal, Dec. 18.—Reports read at the 27th annual meeting of the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association indicated a large increase in membership and a greatly increased net surplus. J. B. Giles, the retiring president, was in the chair, and after the reading of the reports commented on the ever increasing prosperity of the association. The report by Secretary H. W. Wadsworth showed that the membership had increased during the year from 7,907 to 7,450, while the statistics of the treasurer, M. Murdoch, showed a net surplus of \$11,500, as against \$37,809 at the conclusion of last year. As against the increased surplus, however, death liabilities were increasing with the increased membership. The meeting provided for the office of second vice-president, and notice of motion was given to provide that amendments to by-laws should be voted on by ballot by all the members, instead of only by those attending the annual meeting, as only 2 to 6 per cent of the members were able to be in attendance. The new officers are: President, Charles Curd (acclamation); vice-president, J. F. L. Dupres; directors, C. Cameron, V. E. Beauvais, J. F. Featherstone, J. A. Bernier and Luke F. Moore.

PITHEAD FIRE STOPS OPERATIONS IN MINE

Blaze at Hosmer Destroys the Building Over Hoisting Machinery

Fernie, Dec. 18.—The frame building over the hoisting power plant at the Hosmer coal mine burned down yesterday morning. It is not known how long this mishap will delay operations at the mine. The building was a very lightly-constructed wooden affair and the extent of the damage to the machinery will not be known for a day or two.

If new machinery and engines have to be provided several weeks will elapse before the mine can be operated. The pecuniary loss is small and no one was injured by the accident.

MINISTER IMPRISONED.

Bozeman, Mont., Dec. 18.—Eight years in the penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Rev. John R. Hedberg, who, until four weeks ago, was pastor of a Swedish mission church at Anaconda. Hedberg pleaded guilty to the charge of obtaining money under false pretences. He had been brought from St. Paul to answer the allegation that he had obtained \$500 from Miss Christine Mattson and other persons of Bozeman on the plea that it was to be used for charity. It went instead, it is alleged, for worldly pleasures.

SIKHS DECIDE TO APPEAL TO KING

DESIRE CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION LAWS

Deputation May Wait on His Majesty on Behalf of Hindus in Canada

Toronto, Dec. 18.—The Hindu Sikhs, who represented the West India League and Khalsa Duvan Society in petitioning the Borden administration for equality in Canadian immigration laws to all British subjects, and were handed a gold brick by Hon. Robert Rogers, will appeal directly to his Majesty King George for intervention on their behalf. They will also communicate with the British government.

The statement was made by Dr. Sunder Singh in an interview. Dr. Singh has just returned from Ottawa and is putting himself in cable communication with India with a view to having his people wait upon his Majesty while the latter is in India. The delegation claim to have the promise of Queen Victoria and King Edward that all rights be accorded the Hindu as British subjects throughout the Empire.

"We are British-subjects," said Dr. Singh, "and we seek only from the Canadian government the same treatment which is accorded to Doukobora and other foreign immigrants."

TEN KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

OPERATOR BLAMED FOR FATAL COLLISION

Three Persons Meet Death When Two Trolley Cars Collide

Odessa, Minn., Dec. 18.—Ten persons were killed and a score of injured in a collision here at 4.30 o'clock this morning, when the second section of the Columbian flyer from the Pacific coast, bound for St. Paul, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad crashed into the rear of the first section of that train. The engine of the second section, which was hauling a special consignment of silk, tore its way almost to the middle of the sleeper on the rear of the first section. The sleeper was stripped from the front end by the diner, the next coach ahead, almost to the place where the engine had stopped its destructive ploughing. The rear of the diner and the pilot of the engine thus almost touched. Those who escaped death were in this small space. The sleeper did not leave the right-of-way, neither did the car twist. No other cars suffered more than slight damage.

The dead: Mrs. R. C. Moyers, Newcastle, Ind.; Mrs. C. Barber, Terry, Mont.; W. J. McKee, sleeping car conductor, Chicago; Dr. Whitstone, Minneapolis; Mrs. J. F. Richards, wife of the superintendent of the Missouri Slope division of the St. Paul, and daughter, Moberg, S. D.; four identified.

Injured: Mrs. F. J. Mather, Reeder, S. D., slightly hurt; Ralph Amny, Aberdeen, S. D., ankles injured; Mrs. Adde Deutsch, Butte, Mont., left ankle injured; Mrs. V. A. Williams, Lemmon, back and head hurt; Maradisa Pierce, Seattle, back and foot injured; Mrs. Eliza Clements, Boston, head and back injured; W. H. Perry, Vancouver, B. C., bruised on head, arm and shoulders; E. Libian, Seattle, back injured; Miss Edna Kennedy, Newcastle, Ind., back injured; D. Rivier, Three Forks, Mont., slightly injured; J. E. Alexander, porter of sleeping car, slightly injured; Ralph D. Brown, Levy, Mont., back injured; Dr. Sherman, Levy, Mont., back injured.

The coroner has arranged for undertakers from Ortonville to take the bodies and will hold the six unknown dead until identified and instructions are given for their disposition.

The accident occurred a short distance from the signal tower here. The first section had been stopped by the towerman because of a freight train in the block. The second section, which closely followed the first, is what is known as a "silk" train, carrying merchandise. Railway officials attribute the accident to the failure of the operator to set the signals against the second section. They also believe the brakeman of the first section failed to run back to the second section.

Operator Blamed.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 18.—Persons injured in the wreck at Odessa to-day are being taken to Minneapolis in a special train. Physicians from Montevideo, Appleton and Millbank were picked up by a special train and hurried to the scene. A wrecker was sent out from Minneapolis.

Details of the wreck, which occurred at 4.30 a. m., are meagre. Such as have been received, however, by officials in the Twin Cities indicate that it occurred because of the failure of the operator to block the train. The regular first section was in the lead. It was proceeding slowly when the second section crashed into the tail end of the Columbian. The second section, it was said, was proceeding at high speed. A sleeping car and the dining car of the Columbian were twisted and those asleep were caught in the wreckage.

Trolley Cars Collide.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—In a collision between two trolley cars on the Kansas City-Leavenworth electric line, when met head-on in a dense fog near Wolcott, Kas., sixteen miles north of this city to-day, three persons were killed and nine others seriously injured.

Through a misunderstanding of orders the motorman of the southbound car failed to wait on the siding at Wolcott for the other car to pass and the two met at South Wolcott. Blinded by fog, the motorman failed to reverse their motors in time to avoid the crash. The injured were taken to the company's car barn at Wolcott, where they were attended by doctors, hurried to the scene from Leavenworth.

TEN MORE BODIES TAKEN FROM MINE

It is Believed Death Roll as Re- sult of Explosion Will Total 85

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 18.—Ten bodies were removed from the Cross Mountain mine at Erteville yesterday, leaving seven or eight more in the mine. This removal of bodies brings the total of identified dead up to 77. The total number of victims will be 84 or 85.

The funeral of Mayor Thomas Watts of Coal Creek, prominent in the work of relief of the Erteville sufferers, who met death Friday morning, was held to-day. Mrs. Watts has been confined to a hospital for a week as a result of an operation for appendicitis and at her request the funeral cortege stopped at the hospital to-day. The coffin was removed from the hospital and carried by the pallbearers into the hospital that Mrs. Watts might get a last look at the features of her husband.

PICKPOCKETS BUSY.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Organized gangs of pickpockets are working among the Christmas shoppers. Seventy cases have been reported to the police within three days. This is the greatest number ever recorded during a holiday season, and the authorities have detailed a score of plain clothes men in an effort to round up the guilty.

WILL INVESTIGATE BLAZE.

London, Ont., Dec. 18.—It is likely that the city council will appoint a committee to make an investigation into the cause of Friday night's fire in the Perrin Biscuit Factory. No definite cause can be given and the flames had made great headway before the alarm was turned in.

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FATAL ACCIDENT IN NANAIMO MINE

Driver, Crushed Between Cars, Succumbs to His Injuries

Nanaimo, Dec. 18.—John Stobbert, a driver in the employ of the Western Fuel Company, was fatally injured Friday night at work in the south side of No. 1 Mine.

From what can be learned of the accident it appears Stobbert was bringing a loaded car out of a stall when he was caught by a trip of rails being let down an inclined by rope. Stobbert not being aware of the trip's approach owing to the noise made by his own loaded car. The unfortunate driver was pinned against his own car, receiving terrible injuries about the head and body. He was removed to the surface as quickly as possible and taken to the hospital, but expired

several minutes after entering the institution, having never regained consciousness. The deceased was 34 years of age and resided with his parents on Haliburton street, the family being recent arrivals in the city from Newburne, Durham, England. He leaves to mourn his loss, his parents, one sister and four brothers, one of the latter being a well known member of the Nanaimo United football team, out of respect for whom Sunday's scheduled game between Nanaimo United and Nanaimo City has been cancelled.

CANDIDATE WITHDRAWS.

New Westminster, Dec. 16.—Alderman J. J. Johnston, chairman of the finance committee of the city council, who announced himself as a candidate for the mayoralty some time ago, has withdrawn, leaving Mayor John A. Lee as the only candidate for the office. The official announcement made by Alderman Johnston is as follows: "Owing to unforeseen circumstances having arisen, I am reluctantly compelled to withdraw from the mayoralty contest. For the same reason I am prevented from seeking any civic office for the coming year. It might be, however, that I would be free the year following to again enter the civic political arena."

SUSPENDS SERVICE.

B. C. E. R. Company Withdraws Street Cars From Point Grey.

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—The British Columbia Electric Railway Company on Saturday night issued the following statement regarding the impasse created by the "Point Grey" franchise decision: "The B. C. E. Railway Company wish to state that they have discontinued their service on the Shaughnessy Street line and on Shaughnessy Heights, south of Sixteenth Avenue, on account of an order of the court. By the decision of the court the company is no longer allowed to run cars in the municipality of Point Grey. According to this order the Municipal Council has no right to grant the B. C. E. Railway Company the right to run on any of the streets in Point Grey. If the company continued to run their cars and if there were an accident resulting in loss of life, the company's officers might be held criminally liable. The officers are unwilling to take this risk and the company are

unwilling to run its car in violation of an order of the court.

"The settlers' rates on the Lulu Island line have been put back to where they were before this franchise was granted. Although a reduction of rates was not specifically mentioned in this franchise yet there was a verbal agreement that the rates would be reduced. Now that the franchise has been declared invalid the company's officers do not feel that they can in justice to the stockholders grant the reduced rates which were given in consideration for the franchise."

FOREIGNERS DEPORTED.

New Westminster, Dec. 16.—No less than 60 undesirable immigrants have been captured by the Canadian immigration officers at Cloverdale, Messrs. H. G. Lawrence and R. B. Collinsshaw, within the last few weeks. In every case they were caught shortly after crossing the boundary and were deported to short order. The foreigners, it is said, were smuggled into Canada by guides, who make their headquarters at Fernside and Bellingham. The officers state that the schemes which are employed by these men to get into Canada are without number.

WIRELESS CONTROLS TORPEDO.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 18.—John Hays Hammond, Jr., son of the well-known engineer and a recent graduate of Yale, has successfully completed a series of experiments with an apparatus for the wireless control of a marine torpedo. The device is expected to prove of wide usefulness in time of war, enabling a shore station to guide and fire powerful torpedoes at ranges of from one to seven miles. The experiments were conducted at the Hammond country home, near Gloucester, Mass. Young Hammond has patents pending for his invention, the claim being for control of any form of vessel on water or in the air.

FIVE INJURED IN FIRE.

Santa Barbara, Cal., Dec. 18.—The annex to the Hotel Potter, one of the principal tourist hostleries on the Pacific Coast, was destroyed by fire late Saturday, and for more than an hour the main building was seriously threatened. Five persons were slight-

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- Fine Old Cognac Brandy XXX, per bottle \$1.00
- De Kuyper's Holland Gin, \$1.10, 75c and \$0.40
- California Sherry, per bottle 50c
- Sandeman & Buck Old Sherry, per bottle \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, and \$0.75
- Native Port Wine, per bottle 35c
- Sandeman's Old Port Wine, per bottle \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, and \$0.75
- Old Tom-Gin, per bottle \$1.00
- N. Johnston & Sons' French Claret, per bottle, \$1.00, 75c, 50c and \$0.35

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ly injured. The loss will reach about \$50,000.

It is thought the fire was started by an explosion of gasoline in the drying room of the laundry. There were about 50 girls at work in the laundry, and these made a rush for the door. All escaped safely, but four of them, who brought off their clothes, which were hung in the dressing room, were caught in the flames and smoke.

Hannah Lacey was pulled out of the building by the firemen, nearly suffocated. Stella Rush jumped from a third-story window and suffered a fracture of her left leg.

Mrs. Schultz and her daughter, Marian, aged 12, jumped from a second-story window. Mrs. Schultz being badly injured about her body, but the girl escaped with minor injuries.

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NEW ZEALAND POLITICS.

Melbourne, Dec. 15.—The fate of the government of New Zealand continues to remain in doubt. Just what course the Premier, Mr. Joseph Ward, will take is a matter of conjecture only, but it is intimated that his plan is to announce his intentions on Tuesday.

The declaration of the second poll just held, in the national election leaves the political parties on almost

even terms. There are, however, three Maoris to be elected, and they are almost certain to support the present government which would give Sir Joseph Ward a bare majority, on which it would be practically impossible to carry on the administration.

TRIES TO SHIELD SON.

Everett, Wash., Dec. 18.—To save her son from arrest, Mrs. Eva Norton, a hairdresser, allowed herself to be locked up in the county jail on a charge of burglary in the second degree. Later Willie Norton, 13 years old, confessed that he, and not his mother, had been guilty. Mrs. Norton was accused of having taken a bracelet from the home of Mrs. Minnie Marrens and later said she had found the bracelet and returned it to its owner. The boy confessed that he alone had robbed the home twice, taking the bracelet one time and \$50 another.

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ITALIANS DRIVEN BACK BY ALLIES

Troops Who Occupied Outer Posts at Benghazi Retreat Into City

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—A dispatch received here says that the Turkish and Arab irregulars attacked the Italian outposts in the outskirts of Benghazi and succeeded in driving them back into the main body. The outer line of fortified posts which had been strongly occupied by the Italians were abandoned by them and they retreated into the city itself.

RUNAWAY CAR DASHES DOWN HILL

Travels at Rate of Forty Miles an Hour—Occupants Escape Uninjured

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—With the rear trolley pole broken off near its base and the brake beam useless, Westminster-Isleburne Car No. 201 tore down the grade from Royal station on Saturday for nearly five miles, finally slowing down on Lulu Island after the four men aboard, two passengers, the conductor and the motorman, were given a severe fright.

The trouble started near the Royal station at the beginning of the long grade down to the Lulu Island bridge. There the trolley went off, and when the power was thus interrupted, the motorman discovered that his brake beam was out of order, the bolt having slipped out. It is not known when the bolt came loose, the fact that the brake would not work not having become apparent until the trolley went off the wire. In a minute the rear trolley, with which the car was being driven, broke off at the stub, and immediately the car quickened its speed, the motorman not having the slightest control.

EXPLOSIONS AT U. S. ARMY POST

Officers Searching for Companion of Man Who is Now Under Arrest

Junction City, Kas., Dec. 18.—Government officials engaged in the investigation of the recent series of explosions and fires at Fort Riley are looking for a strange man who was in the company of Private Michael Quirk on the night of September 12 last, when Quirk was arrested while trying to enter the pumping plant at Fort Riley. This man, who wore a soldier's uniform and who carried a package in his hand, escaped, while John Hartung, a special watchman, was placing Quirk under arrest.

Quirk, whose confession resulted in the arrest of Rev. Charles M. Brewer of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Anna Jordan, of Kansas City, has steadfastly refused to disclose his companion's name.

Mrs. Jordan was released by the Kansas City police Friday, and Rev. Mr. Brewer is said to be on his way here from Oklahoma.

VIEWS OF OFFICIALS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—A pyromaniac, or firebug, caused all the excitement and trouble at Fort Riley connected with the fires and explosions at the post during the last year, it was stated at the War Department. The officials deny the idea of any organized conspiracy or the existence of any mutinous feeling among the troops and are firm in the conviction that only some crazed individual is responsible for the trouble. These men have already been arrested, and they declare investigation will develop their theory to be correct.

LOS ANGELES TRAGEDY.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 16.—Samuel P. Ayres of Boston, shot and probably fatally wounded his son at a hotel Saturday and then committed suicide. The Ayres have been here about three months. The elder man left his wife some time ago and remarked yesterday to a chance acquaintance in a barber shop that he had nothing now to live for and wished to die.

Joseph Ayres, the son, was shot in the back of the head. "The bullet penetrated his brain," but surgeons at the receiving hospital where he was taken, said he had a chance of recovery.

The tragedy occurred at 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning. Father and son occupied adjoining rooms. It is supposed that the elder man entered his son's room and after firing a bullet into the latter's head, hurried back to his own room and committed suicide. A bullet entered his mouth and almost tore the top of his head off.

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- Maggioli Kid Gloves, very good quality, in all shades. Per pair \$1.25
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- Dent's Kid Gloves, in tan only. Per pair \$1.50
- Dent's Suede and Heavy Dogskin Gloves, in black, grey and tan. Special price 90c

- 12-Button White Glace Kid Gloves, special per pair \$1.75
- Fowner's and Trefousse's Glace Kid Gloves, in black and white, 12-button, pair \$2.50
- 16-button, per pair \$3.25
- 20-button, per pair \$3.75

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Infants' Shortening Dresses, tucked and trimmed with lace and insertion, at prices ranging from \$3.25 down to 75c

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M'BRIDE RAILWAY PROJECTS.

There are two circumstances which make the discussion of provincial railway matters fitting subjects for immediate discussion.

The stock now being negotiated in Great Britain is, according to the advertisement appearing in the British press, of the following character:

The stock is secured by the unconditional guarantee of the government of the province of British Columbia, both as to principal and interest.

There is nothing very dangerous-looking in the broad terms of an agreement, stated as it appears above and as it was stated by the government members in the legislature and published by the government press throughout the province.

These "townsites" are to be conveyed are peculiar. The agreement, in the terms of the covenant of the government, "shall provide that such of the said lands, as are not required for the railway purposes of the said company shall be administered by the Pacific Company as townsites for the joint benefit of the government and such company in the proportion of two-thirds to the company and one-third to the government; and these townsites, apart from such portions thereof as shall be required for the purposes of the Pacific Company shall be exempt from taxation until sold or occupied."

This clause of the agreement, it must appear, places the townsites, the number of which will be at the discretion of the company, absolutely in the control of the company. The Pacific Company may hold these lands out of the market at will, restricting the sale of lots, deferring sale until speculative values rise to suit the company, binding the public with things of steel in the matter of prices, free from all contributions for school purposes or other purposes of local improvement in such townsites, casting all the burden of town-building, sewers and public works absolutely upon the unfortunate purchasers of lots in these properties held for the joint benefit of the company and the government.

Naturally the railway runs through the most eligible sections of the province; naturally it taps the richest agricultural districts; naturally it passes close to water powers and other resources which must become of enormous public value. Yet the company may take possession of 1280 acres in each desirable locality and hold the area absolutely within its power until such time as it chooses to dispose of its rights. It is, moreover, superior to the government in the disposal of the property, bound only to remit one-third of the proceeds of sale after commissions and other "legitimate" expenses of townsites exploitation are deducted.

So far, that is what the government covenants to grant. We shall reproduce the single paragraph securing anything to the government in the whole broad expanse of the agreement. It is section (n) of clause 7 of the agreement and it reads as follows:

"The Northern Company agrees that the Pacific Company will furnish to the government security for the construction and equipment of the aided lines, in accordance with the terms of this agreement, in the sum of five hundred thousand dollars to the satisfaction of the government, such security to be by bond or by the deposit of securities, or otherwise as may be agreed upon."

Having stated these facts respecting the agreement of the government, we think we may say: "sufficient unto this day is the evil thereof." The Times asks its interested readers to preserve these articles, as they will be continued and will afford a valuable compendium of information respecting the statesmanship of the McBride administration now in power and wholly in control of the destinies of the province.

PURCHASED PEERAGES.

A mild sensation has been created in aristocratic circles in Great Britain by the publication of an article in the December number of Pearson's Magazine entitled "The Traffic in Titles," of which Mr. James Douglas is the author. Coincident with the going to press of the magazine Lord Selborne in a speech at Wakefield made a characteristically vigorous attack on a system which has grown up gradually, and in which both parties were implicated, but he did say that the thing was both monstrous and foul.

Mr. Douglas, after substantiating the statement that the practice of selling knightships, peerages, and other courtly honors, has grown to contemtable proportions, gives a list of the prices, which he says are fixed by tacit schedule as the sums necessary to contribute to party funds in order to secure the presentation of names to His Majesty for the reception of these honors. The schedule is:

- For a knighthood £ 15,000
For a baronetcy 30,000
For a peerage 100,000

While Mr. Douglas is careful to repudiate the suggestion that the leader of either political party is personally cognizant of the purchase money being paid or that individual names suggested for the receipt of kindly recognition are those of men who have purchased their way to the favors of the throne, he says there is no difficulty in arriving at an exact conclusion when these are the facts. He points out that of the 96 peerages created during the last ten years, no fewer than 37 were "bought" peerages, and of the remainder no less than 10 are to be reckoned as doubtfully free from this blot on the escutcheon. This leaves a majority of only two peerages which may be said to be free

from the blemish and which are called "earned peerages." As a remedy for this disgraceful state of aristocratic affairs Mr. Douglas suggests the enactment of law to compel the treasurers of party campaign funds to publish lists of their receipts and disbursements. He does not think it an evil that rich men contribute funds to the support of their respective political parties, as he admits the obvious fact that men have a moral right to donate funds for legitimate party expenses. But he asserts that when large and specific donations are followed by the bestowal of chivalric honors there will be little difficulty on the part of his party in placing two and two together.

In more democratic America the aristocracy is wholly an aristocracy of wealth. It is even brazenly so, and the nouveau rich are not slow to aggress their way into the most "select" society. Where aristocracy is to be purchased or based upon financial considerations the American plan is superior, because it is not enmeshed in false pretences. On this continent we must smile at the decadent aristocracy which standing for one thing, makes possible admission to its exclusive set, by another way. It removes a good deal of the sting from the horror manifested by those titled Tories who were shocked by the proposal of Premier Asquith to increase the peerages in order to fight the battles of the common people. Here at least was a valid and knightly reason for violating a tradition.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

The arrival in Victoria of Mr. Louis Coste, the eminent engineer who is continuously retained by the Dominion government as consulting engineer in all great public works, is an encouraging sign. Although we are unable to judge from the interviews which Mr. Coste has given to the press just what the outcome of his mission will be, it may be assumed that, with the information and data already at the disposal of the government respecting harbor improvements at Victoria, it will not be difficult for him to recommend some comprehensive scheme for immediate adoption. It should be possible for him to do this in time for provision to be made in the estimates brought down at the reassembling of parliament after Christmas recess, or at least in the supplementary estimates. The Colonel, which may be said to be in the confidence of the government, makes the encouraging announcement that within a year we shall see the commencement in earnest of the undertaking which is of so much necessity to provide for Victoria in competition with other Pacific coast cities which will enter the field for the Panama trade. It is reassuring to find that the project of the Liberal government is not to be ignored and that the commitment of the Laurier administration to this scheme has had its influence upon the new Minister of Public Works in his outlook for the future of the city.

That male suffragist who threw a stone at Chancellor Lloyd George on Saturday night, wrecking the Chancellor's physiognomy, is another "striking" example of what a daft fool mere man will occasionally make of himself for the sake of women. It is only a fortnight since a small horde of female rowdies went at 2 o'clock in the morning to a friend's house, where Lloyd George was being lodged for the night, and knocked up all the inmates of the place, throwing bricks at the Chancellor when he appeared at the guest room window. Why these people so intemperately attack the only champion they have in the British cabinet is another of the inscrutabilities with which the eternal feminine surrounds herself. And Mrs. Pankhurst, the political mother of this unholy brood, is coming to Victoria this week to teach the Victoria ladies how to use their political knife, fork and other cutlery.

SLIGHT ERROR.

The aviator's wife was taking her first trip with her husband in his airship. "Wait a minute, George," she said, "I'm afraid you will have to go down again." "What's wrong?" asked her husband. "I believe I have dropped one of the pearl buttons off my pocket. I think I can see it glistering on the ground." "Keep your seat, my dear," said the aviator, "that's Lake Erie."—Youngstown Telegram.

INCREDIBLE.

Miss Scribble—"The heroine of my next story is to be one of those modern, advanced girls who have ideas of their own and don't want to get married." The Colonel (politely)—"Ah, indeed, I don't think I ever met that type."—Life.

NOT IN THE DICTIONARY.

A teacher was reading to her class and came across the word "unaware." She asked if anyone knew its meaning. "One small girl timidly raised her hand and gave the following definition: "'Unaware' is what you take off the first thing before you put your nightgown."—Harper's Monthly.

FEARED THE WORST.

A South Dakota railroad is noted for its execrable roadbed. A new brakeman was making his first run over the road at night and was standing in the centre of the car, grimly clutching the seats to keep erect. Suddenly the train struck a smooth place in the track, and slid along without a sound. "Sliding his lantern, the brakeman ran for the door. "Jump for your lives!" he shouted. "She's off the track!"—Success Magazine.

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In this assortment there are Table Centres, Chair Back Covers, Wall Plaques and Pipe Racks, in colors green, brown, fawn and tan. They are beautifully ornamented with burned leaf overlays, fringes and burlap designs in a great diversity of styles. This is a special opportunity for Christmas shoppers to purchase an ideal present at a big saving—\$2.50 values on sale Tuesday morning for \$1.50

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Women's Underclothing Department

Many Inducements for Christmas Shoppers
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WOMEN'S ALL-WOOL VESTS—These are made with high neck and long sleeves, in white and natural color. Drawers may be had to match. Per garment, \$1.25 and \$1.00
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WOMEN'S COMBINATIONS—Fleece-lined, have high neck and long sleeves. Colors white and natural. Per garment, \$1.15 and \$1.00
WOMEN'S COMBINATIONS—Have low necks, short sleeves and are tight at the knee. Price, per garment, 65c and 75c
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Hearts and Masks, by McGrath.
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Cy Whittaker's Place, by Lincoln.
King Spruce, by Day.
Young Wallingford, by Chester.
The Barrier, by Beach.
Call of the Wild, by Jack London.
Iron Heel, by Jack London.
And Many Others
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Palm Tree, by Herbert Strang. Price \$1.60
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Boats
Soft Fur Toys
Teddy Bears
Surprise Boxes
Wood Puzzles
Hungry Harry Game
Checker Men
Mechanical Toys
Drums
Mouth Organs
Dominoes
Horns
Trumpets
Horses
Pianos
Shooting Games
Kid-Bodied and Dressed Dolls
A B C Blocks
Games
Mechanical Novelties
Railways, complete
Fur Toys
Magic Lanterns
Large Drums
Horses and Carts
Horns
Mouth Organs
Horns
Dolls, etc.
Accordeons
Concertinas
Pianos
Wood Puzzles
Furniture Sets
Tin Tea Sets
China Tea Sets
Enamel Tea Sets
Gyroscope Railways
Mechanical Pigeons
Engines
Nestle Blocks
Dominoes
Complete Railways
Magic Lanterns
Mouth Organs
Drums
Games
Blocks
Pianos
Dolls' Furniture Sets
Tea Sets
Painted Rubber Balls
Airships
Motor Boats
Wooden Engines
Trucks
Express Wagons
Wicker Dolls' Buggies
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LOCAL NEWS

Cabinetmakers Organize.—At a meeting of the Cabinetmakers and Woodworkers Union, which was provisionally organized last Monday, it was decided to adjourn till to-morrow evening, when officers will be elected, and the new union put on a sound basis. The men engaged in the allied trades are rallying to the support of the organization.

"Nag" Roof Compositions will stop leaks and add years to the life of an old roof. See Newton & Greer Co., 1326 Wharf street.

Closing of School Term.—To-morrow will be a great day for the boys of the University School. It will mark the closing of the school term and will be characterized by speech-making and the award of prizes. The proceedings will be commenced at 2:30 o'clock and will terminate at 5:30. Special cars will be run from the Jubilee hospital to the school every fifteen minutes from 1:30 to 2:15 p. m., and returning from 5:30 to 6:15.

Harmony Hall.—The great Kubelik will play several of his choicest numbers on Saturday and Monday afternoons, through the medium of the really good music come and listen to this glorious artist at Harmony hall, piano warerooms, 733 Fort St.

Meeting To-morrow.—St. John's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions will hold their regular meeting to-morrow at 2:30 p. m. in the guild room, St. John's hall, Herald street. A good attendance is earnestly requested.

Local Players to Celebrate.—To celebrate the financial and dramatic success of their performance the members of the cast of "The Phantom Rehearsal" and their friends, to the number of about sixty, formed a very gay supper party at the Empress hotel on Saturday night after the final performance of the play. Numerous speeches were made, and much merriment was occasioned by the humorous sallies made during the toasts and the responses. The party broke up about one o'clock.

Xmas Photos.—Have them in "Sepia"—your Xmas Photographs—and of course, taken at the Skene-Lowe Studio, corner Douglas and Yates streets. Do it now and half your Xmas worries will be over.

Will Celebrate Centenary.—The members of the newly formed Dickens Club decided at the inaugural meeting on Friday to celebrate the centenary of the birth of the great novelist next February, and to take steps for the next month at a meeting to be held on January 9. On this occasion officers will be elected, and an interesting programme will be provided, including the reading of a selection from "Christmas Carol" by Dr. Handis, the city librarian, who has been chiefly responsible for the inauguration of the club. A system of readings at each meeting has been arranged.

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Friendly Help.—The Friendly Help rooms will be open all day Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Will subscribers please send in their subscriptions and donations, as the boxes are to be packed by Tuesday.

Mrs. Smith's Pupils.—The pupils of Mrs. Garrett Smith will give a piano-forte recital Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Unitarian hall on Government street. They will be assisted by Miss Lillian Haggerty, soprano; Mr. Rodda, baritone, and Miss Cochran, accompanist.

Holly.—W. J. Savory, 1107 Broad, for good berried Holly by mail, express, etc.

Debating Society Meet.—A meeting of the Victoria Scottish Literary and Debating Society will be held to-night in Stock Exchange rooms, Pemberton building, at 8:15. A representative gathering is expected, and organization work will be discussed.

Emmanuel Baptist Young People.—The Young People's Society of the Emmanuel Baptist church will give an impromptu programme this evening at 8 o'clock. Members will respond to the roll by scripture texts, readings and recitations. The meeting will be open to everybody and a special invitation will be given to the strangers in the city. The meeting lasts one hour. This will be the last meeting of the year.

Decorated China.—Mrs. Dulmage, 602 Sayward block, will have a sale of decorated china and water color pictures Wednesday, 30th, from 10 a. m. until 10 p. m.

Tangible Appreciation.—Most of the friends of the public library regret its present financial depression and express sympathy. Some look to the future for hope, but there are those who make a bridge over the chasm to that future by acting now. The library has heartily thank one member who, after deploring the failure of the by-law, in a letter addressed to the library commissioners, adds: "However, that is neither here nor there; I am not a voter, but I have the use of the library, and I beg to enclose a small subscription towards the purchase of new books. It is possible others in my position may do the same."

Christmas Presents.—Buy your Christmas boxes for men, women or children at C. C. Russell's, 1704 Douglas street. Prices to suit all.

Books of Reference.—The officials of the public library acknowledge with thanks the gift by N. Shakespeare of a number of geological reports, Royal Society proceedings and journals of the Senate, and a file of the debates of the House of Commons from 1883 to 1887, during which period Mr. Shakespeare represented Victoria in the House. These collections, supplementing those given by Mr. Prior some time ago, will be of great service in the reference department of the library, and are gratefully acknowledged by the commissioners.

Hanna & Thomson, Pandora Ave.—Leading funeral furnishing house. Connections, Vancouver, New Westminster and Wilfrid.

Central School Closing.—Arrangements are in progress for the closing exercises at the Girls' Central school on Thursday afternoon, which will be held in the Pemberton gymnasium. cordial invitation to the friends of the school, and parents of the children to attend. The programme, which will commence at 2:30, will contain a number of Christmas carols, and among the invited guests are Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Paterson, the trustees, clergy, and a number of prominent residents. Dean Doull, and Archdeacon Scriven have promised to address the pupils.

Annual Speech Day.—The annual speech day of the Collegiate school was marked by the attendance of between two and three hundred interested persons, and the presentation of a travelling clock to the principal, A. D. Musket, by the boys. Several speeches were heard and the prize list announced as follows: Form V., mathematics, W. Bird. Prize presented by Lieut. Governor; divinity, H. Talbot; languages, S. Simpson. Prize presented by C. S. Baxter, Esq.; history, S. Simpson. Prize presented by Dr. Ford. Form IV., 1st prize, F. Nicholson. Presented by Mrs. G. H. S. Edwards; mathematics, H. Talbot; Form III., 1st prize, D. deJager; 2nd prize, O. Pauline; Latin, O. Pauline; divinity, D. Geiger; mathematics, E. Diepfecker; history, A. Wilkinson. Presented by A. H. Charles, Esq. Form II., 1st prize, V. Miller; 2nd prize, J. Rochfort; Latin, V. Miller; French, J. Rochfort. Preparatory class, H. Verlander.

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BRITISH BIRDS. Will Oppose Introduction of Songbirds to B. C. on Account of Possible Injury to Fruit Growers.

The British songbirds which were to be introduced in the coming spring, and which have been ordered from a firm of universal providers, will not, according to an interview in a Vancouver daily with Chief Game Warden Bryan Williams, be allowed admission. Mr. Williams takes the view that the introduction of birds of an alien climate may lead to them changing their habits, and instead of being merely ornamental additions to the forests, they may become destructive of the fruit crops. In making this announcement he states that insect eating birds have turned carnivorous in their habits under new conditions in other parts of the world.

The Natural History Society, which took a great interest in the proposed introduction of the sweet singers of the English woods, and secured the cooperation of J. R. Anderson, on his return visit to the Old Country, to order suitable varieties, will no doubt be sorry to hear that protection of the small fruits require this embargo, but apparently there is no appeal, as the game warden's action is final, and the introduction of any new animals or birds. Mr. Anderson was very careful to select birds which bore a good reputation with the English farmers and orchardists, and they were to be collected for shipment during the present winter. No doubt the society, at its next meeting, will decide what action shall be taken, and probably will have some official communication on the subject before it.

DALLAS ROAD SEAWALL. Protective Works Will Be Completed This Week Within Contract Time—Has Cost \$140,000.

The Dallas road sea wall will be completed by the Pacific Coast Construction Company during the present week, as the two portions of the wall at which construction was in progress have been completed at the base, and the work of building up the structure to the road level will be pushed so as to have it finished by Christmas.

There is, however, a good deal of back filling and clay puddling to be done, but this will go forward with the actual construction.

TEA AND CAKE, 10c; POT OF TEA, 5c—UPSTAIRS ANNOUNCEMENT Hereafter and until the night of the 23rd we shall be open until 10 p.m. Knowing full well that many men can do their shopping only in the evening we look upon it as our duty to keep open until the above hour. We also take this opportunity to point out that arrangements have been made with our staff whereby they receive extra remuneration for any late work they may do. Christmas Week Specials for Men and Young Men We're going to make things extra lively in our men's department. We are doing a roaring business and just want to make the men's section a "hummer" this Christmas—and we're going to do it. TIES Men's beautiful rich silk Ties and satin brocaded Ties. Special prices \$1.75, \$1.75 and... 50c Very special—100 dozen Men's Four-in-Hand Ties in any desired shade and pattern, usually sold at from 35c to 50c. Extra special price, each 25c Armbands—A very popular gift. Men's Armbands, with fancy clasps and satin bow. Each pair in a neat holiday box. Usually sold at 35c. Special price, per pair 25c SOCKS Heather Mixture Socks, with card of mending to match. Usually sold at 35c per pair. Our special price 25c Five pairs for \$1.00 Men's Combination Silk Hose and Tie, in neat box. Special, per box \$1.25 Handkerchiefs—Genuine Irish Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs. R. & A.'s very special price, each 25c Heavy Rich Silk Initialed Handkerchiefs, specially priced at 75c and... 50c Brace Sets—Men's Combination Sets containing Braces, Armbands and Hose Supporters, neatly cased in holiday boxes. Regular 75c. Our special price only 65c President Braces, in holiday boxes. Special price 50c Then there are hosts of other things we've specially priced for Christmas week, such as Collar Boxes, Leather Dressing cases (fitted), Kid Gloves, Shirts, Silk Mufflers, Knitted Mufflers, Sweater Coats, Sandow Developers, etc., etc. ROBINSON & ANDREWS 642 and 644 YATES ST. THE CASH DRY GOODS STORE PHONES 656 and 657

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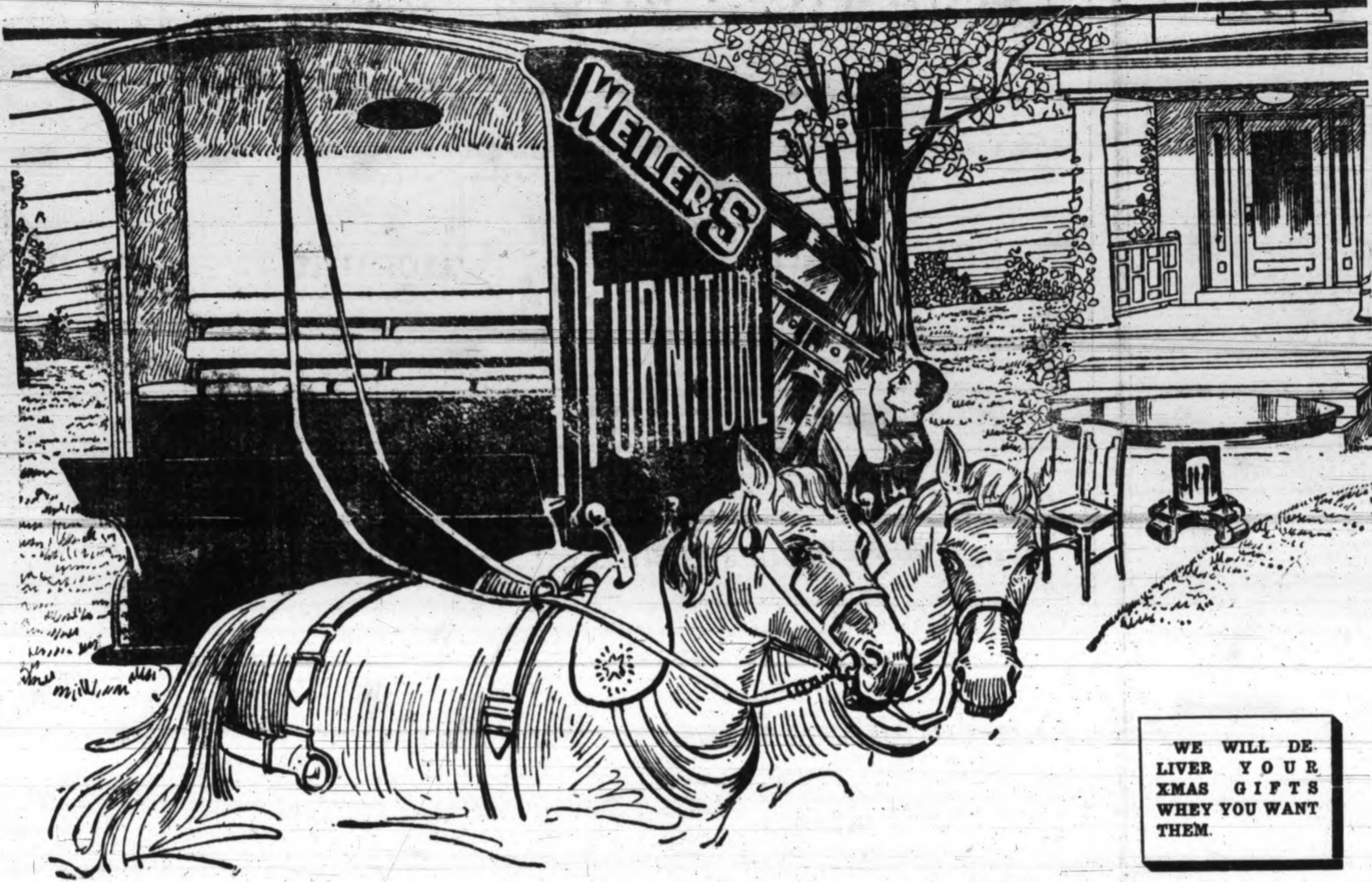
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Victoria, Dec. 18—5 a. m.—High pressure areas cover this western part of the continent, from the Pacific to the Great Lakes, with centres respectively in the Pacific states and Manitoba and the upper Mississippi valley, with a low area occupies the northern part of British Columbia and Alberta; on the Coast rain has fallen and temperatures are about normal. In the prairie provinces cold weather continues and snow has fallen in the southern districts. Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Easterly winds, chiefly cloudy, with occasional rain to-night or Tuesday. Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, unsettled, with showers to-night or Tuesday. Reports at 5 a. m. Victoria—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 45; minimum, 42; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy. Vancouver—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 42; minimum, 39; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 26; weather, rain. Kamloops—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 39; minimum, 28; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy. San Francisco—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, clear. Edmonton—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 12; minimum, 10; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, part cloudy. Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.59; temperature, 11; minimum, 12; wind, 8 miles S.; snow, .02; weather, cloudy. Victoria Daily Weather.—Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Saturday: Temperature. Highest 47 Lowest 37 Average 42 Rain, .02 inch. General state of weather, showery. Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Sunday: Temperature. Highest 46

Seattle daily, except Monday, at 9 a. m., arriving at Victoria 1:15 p. m. On the lay-over day the steamer Troquoy, of the Alaska-Puget Sound Navigation Co., fills the schedule. Prince Rupert leaves Victoria on Sundays at 10 a. m. Vancouver-Seattle. Princess Charlotte leaves Vancouver daily, except Sunday, at 11 p. m., arriving Seattle, 4 a. m.; Princess Victoria leaves Seattle daily, except Monday, at 11:30 p. m., arriving at Vancouver at 8 a. m. Four Per Cent.—You can deposit your money at 4 per cent. interest with The B. C. Permanent Loan Company and be able to withdraw the total amount or any portion thereof without notice. Cheques are supplied to each depositor. Paid up capital over \$2,000,000, assets over \$3,000,000. Branch office, 1216 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

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- EASY CHAIR, upholstered in denim, spring seat, \$15.00
- EASY ARM CHAIR, upholstered in velour, spring seat and back \$20.00
- EASY ARM CHAIR, fumed oak, leather cushions, \$25.00
- EASY ARM ROCKER, fumed oak, leather seat, \$27.50
- EASY CHAIR, solid oak, golden finish, with two velour cushions, upholstered in green or red, and foot rest attached, at \$18.00
- EASY CHAIR, solid quarter cut oak, golden finish, with two red velour cushions, at \$15.00
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- EASY CHAIR, solid quarter cut oak, Early English finish, with loose cushions in Spanish leather \$40.00
- EASY CHAIRS, solid quarter cut oak, fumed finish, upholstered in two loose leather cushions, at \$39, \$40, \$35
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ENGINEER FATALLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Arthur Reed, of City of Puebla, Badly Scalded When Cylinder Head Blew Off

Chief Engineer Andrew Reed of the steamship City of Puebla was seriously and probably fatally scalded when the cylinder head on the forward engine blew out while the vessel was off Point Partridge, near Port Townsend, at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, bound from Seattle for Vancouver, under full speed. A jagged, irregular aperture gaped into the gloomy cylinder which had broken. Company officials said that repairs cannot be made within less than thirty days.

Wireless messages carrying the "S. O. S." signal of distress were sent out. Vancouver picked up the call for help, relayed it to Pacific Coast Steamship officials in Seattle and the tugs Tree and Prosper were sent to the relief of the disabled steamer. She returned to that port under slow speed at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, where a survey was made.

Engineer Reed, almost unconscious from his injuries, was taken ashore on a stretcher and hurried to the Providence hospital. His home is in Oakland. Early this morning Reed's condition was reported as showing no improvement. He is well known in Victoria and shipping men are sorry to hear of the sad accident which has befallen him.

R. P. Rithet & Co., local agents for the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, have been advised that the trip of the City of Puebla from this port next Wednesday morning has been cancelled. It will be impossible to have the vessel ready by that time and passengers who have been booked here for the next trip to San Francisco will proceed to Seattle and go south Thursday night.

STOCK LINER WITH CHRISTMAS GOODS

Minnesota Clears From Sound With Puddings, Cakes and Trees

With her larder stocked with Christmas dainties, plum puddings, candies, turkeys, cranberries and carrying a number of Christmas trees, which, decorated with glittering tinsel, candles and bon-bons, will occupy a prominent place in her spacious saloon, the Great Northern liner Minnesota, Capt. Garlick, left Seattle yesterday and was reported passing out at Cape Flattery last night. Extensive preparations have been made for an elaborate celebration of the biggest holiday of the year in mid-Pacific. Capt. Garlick figures that if all goes well the big Hill steamship will just be half way across the pond on Christmas morning.

Aboard the Minnesota is the largest cargo that has ever been taken across the Pacific by a single steamship. She has over 17,000 tons of freight and besides this has 4,000 tons of bunker coal and 1,000 tons of supplies. When she passed out to sea she was drawing thirty-five feet of water aft, which is greater than that of any other vessel that has ever crossed the Pacific. In No. 4 hold 4,500 tons of freight was stowed, which in itself would make a fair cargo for many of the Oriental steamships. The nine holds on the liner are crammed full of 632,305 packages of flour and cotton.

Officials of the Great Northern are hoping that the Minnesota will not get into any trouble during her run to the Orient this trip. On all her previous runs she has had some kind of trouble—mutiny amongst her crew, stranding, or breaking her tall shafts. This will be about the first trip the Minnesota has made since entering the trans-Pacific trade which will yield good profits to her owners. In the past the vessel has been unable to secure but very few large cargoes and her passenger lists are never exceptionally big.



RUPERT THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS STEAMER

Capt. Barney Johnson to Be Rupert's Santa Claus—Vessel Has Monster Cargo

This year the honor and distinction of being the Christmas ship for Prince Rupert belongs to the Grand Trunk Pacific steamer which was christened after the northern town. At 10 o'clock this morning the vessel in command of Capt. Barney Johnson left port with one of the heaviest cargoes she has taken north for several months. While at Seattle yesterday several hundred tons of freight was stowed in her holds, and on her arrival here this morning about fifty additional tons were added to her manifest. Vancouver is to contribute another large shipment, which will make the total amount to about 500 tons.

Most of the cargo consisted of Christmas presents and goodies for the Prince Rupert residents. Capt. Barney will assume the role of Santa Claus when entering the harbor of the city on Saturday night. The Rupert is carrying the Christmas mails and will also bring south the Christmas greetings from Prince Rupert.

A new schedule will be put into effect by the G. T. P. S. S. Co. for the next two sailings. The Rupert is to leave the northern terminus on Thursday instead of Friday, and arriving in Vancouver on Saturday night in order to convenience a large number of Prince Rupert people, who wish to spend Christmas with friends and relatives in Vancouver and Victoria.

The vessel, however, will arrive here the same time, but on her return from Seattle she will remain at this port until 5 o'clock on Monday afternoon so as to give the officers and men of the Rupert an opportunity to spend part of Christmas Day at home. The same schedule will be in force New Year's week.

Among the passengers who left aboard the Prince Rupert this morning were the following: J. F. Ritchie, Mrs. W. Clayton, Dr. Clayton, G. Durham, J. Dunn, J. Beatty and J. Alder.

The Boscowitz, steamer Venture, Capt. Parks, arrived in port last night from northern British Columbia points and will sail again to-night. She brought south 500 cases of salmon and a large crowd of passengers.

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PRINCESS ALICE DUE TO ARRIVE AT NOON

New C. P. R. Steamer Spoken This Morning—Will Be Overhauled at Esquimalt

Shortly before noon to-morrow the new C. P. R. steamer Princess Alice, Capt. Lindgren, will arrive at the William Head quarantine station and about an hour later will tie up at the inner docks, completing her 15,000-mile voyage via Capt Horn from Newcastle-on-Tyne. At noon to-day the vessel was spoken by the operator at Estevan and her position was given as latitude 45.05 north, and longitude 125.10 west, about 260 miles from Estevan.

Immediately after her arrival here the Princess Alice will be given a thorough overhaul preparatory to entering the Vancouver night run, alternating with her sister ship the Princess Adelaide. Her hull is to be scraped and painted, as a large amount of sea growth accumulates on vessels during such long runs, and her interior will be given a good cleaning. There is apparently little difference between the Alice and Adelaide either in the outward appearance or in the interior.

On Saturday afternoon the steamer Tees was launched from the Victoria Machinery Depot ways and to-day is at Union Bay loading bunker coal. The west coast steamer was soon released by the Depot, the work of fitting a new wheel and repairing the stern post, having been accomplished in remarkable time. It is understood that the vessel will take the west coast trip from here on Wednesday night.

RAISING ELSIE BRADFORD. Divers Have Located Gasoline Schooner Which Was Wrecked Short Time Ago.

Divers have located the Elsie Bradford, the gasoline schooner, owned and operated by Capt. Bradford in towing scows of gravel from Gabriola to Nanaimo, which foundered off Entrance Island Lighthouse several weeks ago. The craft was found in seventy-two feet of water, bow down, the keel resting on a huge rock and the stern pointing upwards toward the surface. A force of men are busy raising the foundered vessel, which is not expected to be a hard task.

CLEARING FROM HERE. Luceric Leaving This Port on Wednesday Morning Instead of Vancouver.

On Wednesday morning the Weir liner Luceric, Capt. Mathie, will sail from the outer docks for the Orient. She is clearing this trip from Victoria instead of Vancouver owing to the large number of Chinese, who have been ticketed here. Many of the Orientals who were aboard the Kumeric are to be transferred to the Luceric and wheat and cotton.

HAS BEEN UNLUCKY IN LAST FEW YEARS

Capt. Nichol, of Gulf Stream, Twice Shipwrecked—Lost Wife and Child in One

Hope for the missing British barque Gulf Stream, Capt. Nichol, out 231 days to-day from Glasgow for Victoria with cargo for Evans, Coleman & Evans, is almost abandoned. The vessel sailed on April 29 and was spoken on May 27. Since then not a word has come from her, and even if she was taking the Cape of Good Hope route shipping men say that she would have been sighted some time during the last few months. Even if she is afloat the crew must be suffering from the lack of water. The new board of trade allowance for seamen is "one gallon a day," but the older type of vessel like the Gulf Stream can only carry sufficient for a voyage of about 150 days. Hence she would have been forced to put in somewhere for water, but she has not been reported, and it looks as if the fate of the Gulf Stream is sealed.

Capt. Nichol, of the ill-fated barque, has had some of the most trying experiences during his career at sea, and during the past four years has been shipwrecked twice, having lost his wife and child in one disaster.

During 1907 Capt. Nichol was in command of the British sailing ship Sutherlandshire. His wife and child were with him, but the vessel drove ashore on Java Head, in the Bay of Bengal, and several lives were lost, including those of the skipper's family. About two years ago Capt. Nichol left Antwerp in command of the ship Cromartyshire. When off Flushing she went into trouble, lost both anchors and went ashore. She was taken back to Antwerp and repaired, and coming out there she repeated the performance. After more repairs the Cromartyshire set sail for Antofagasta, Chile. She loaded nitrate there, but when standing out to sea she got too close in to the land, missed stays and drove ashore. At that time she was in the company of the Capt. Nichol's wife and child. She was in collision with the steamer La Uruguay.

Capt. Nichol is well known in Victoria, and his son, now a master, served his time with Capt. Tyndall, of Vancouver. Friends of the skipper are hoping against hope, but are gradually beginning to feel that the vessel has been lost.

WIRELESS REPORTS

December 18, 8 a. m.
Point Grey—Cloudy; wind S. E.; 30.65; 42; sea moderate.
Cape Lazo—Overcast; wind S. E.; strong; 30.67; light swell.
Tatoosh—Misty; wind S. E., 20 miles; 30.14; 45; sea moderate. Out, a steamer 7 m.
Pachena—Clear; wind S. E., strong; 30.67; 42; light swell.
Estevan—Raining; wind S. E., strong; 29.70; 47; sea rough; thick seaward. Small one-masted steamer southbound at 7.30 a. m., abeam, wishes to be reported.
Triangle—Foggy; raining; wind S. W., 29.15; 29; dense. Spoke Princess Maru leaving Namu at midnight southbound.
Ikeda—Raining; wind S. E.; 29.32; 40; sea moderate.
Prince Rupert—Cloudy; wind S. E.; 29.54; 42; sea moderate.
Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; wind S. E.; sea moderate. Noon.
Point Grey—Raining; wind S. E.; thick seaward; 30.14; 41; sea rough.
Cape Lazo—Overcast; wind S. E., strong; 29.56; 42; sea rough. Tees anchored in Union Bay.
Tatoosh—Light rain; wind S. E., 20 miles; 30.68; 47; sea moderate. In, barque Albert and schooner Minnie A. Cairne during night. Governor, at 8 a. m., out, schooner Mindora towing at 10.35 a. m.; Hermonthis at 11:35 a. m.
Pachena—Raining; wind S. E., strong gale; 29.56; 42; sea rough.
Estevan—Drizzling; wind S. E., strong; 29.58; 42; sea rough. Queen City left Hesquot at 8:50 a. m.; spoke Princess Alice at 10:15 a. m.; 45 miles north, long 125.10 west northbound, 260 miles from Estevan.
Triangle—Foggy; wind S. W.; 29.22; 38; dense seaward.
Ikeda—Cloudy; wind west; 29.60; 44; heavy swell.
Prince Rupert—Cloudy; wind S. W.; 29.54; 46; sea moderate.
Dead Tree Point—Clear; wind S. W.; sea rough.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

December 17.
Astoria, Ore.—Arrived: Breakwater, Coos Bay, and proceeded; F. S. Loop, and proceeded; Anrola, and proceeded; Ocean, and proceeded.
San Pedro, Cal.—Arrived: Caroline, Gray's Harbor.
San Francisco, Cal.—Sailed: Beaver, Portland; Arctic, Fort Bragg; Arrived: Stanley Dollar, Willapa; Falcon, Astoria; Queen, Seattle; Saginaw, Willapa.
Seattle, Wash.—Arrived: Bee, San Francisco; Caracac, Skagway; Prince Rupert, Curacao; Yucatan, Tacoma; Panama Maru, Tacoma; Antiochus, Victoria; City of Puebla, Sound ports in distress. Sailed: Admiral Sampson, San Francisco; Prince Ru-

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Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1911

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Redondo, has been chartered by the Compagnie Du Boleo to load lumber on Gray's Harbor for Santa Rosalia. The barquentine Gardiner City, now at this port, has been chartered to load lumber on the Sound for San Francisco. The Norwegian steamer Hercules, of the Waterhouse line, arrived last Friday from Manila several days behind schedule time. She was 27 days from Kobe, being delayed by heavy gales early in the month. The passage was so rough that oil bags had to be thrown overboard to stem the sea. The Hercules will leave for Portland next week.
EGERIA LEAVES ESQUIMALT.
In tow of the C. P. R. tug Nanoose, Capt. Gunn, the old warship Egeria left Esquimalt on Saturday night for Vancouver. Capt. Eddie was in command of the ship and has a volunteer crew under him. The vessel reached Vancouver safely yesterday and was inspected there by a large crowd of people. She is to be used as a training ship for boys.

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Church Associates Itself in Congratulations to the Founder

Bishop Cridge received many congratulatory messages and telegrams from old friends on the occasion of his ninety-fourth birthday yesterday, and also a few callers. The number of those who were allowed to see him on Saturday and Sunday were limited in order not to cause him undue excitement. The family desires to thank the senders of messages, and regret that they are not able to reply to them all personally. The venerable Bishop was in good health and spirits throughout the day.

At the Church of Our Lord which he founded thirty-seven years ago, when accompanied by a number of the influential members of Christ Church congregation he succeeded from the Anglican church, reference was made by the pastor, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, to the birthday anniversary of the venerated founder. While he explained it was against the resolutions of the church to pass formal resolutions at divine services, he was sure their earnest prayers and sympathy would be with the Bishop, and he knew that his children and grandchildren then worshipping with them would carry to their beloved relative the warmest congratulations and wishes for his continued health.

Bishop Cridge was born at Bratton, Fleming, Devonshire, England, on Dec. 17, 1816, and began his career as third master of Oundle Grammar school, after which he joined St. Peter's College, Cambridge, where he was Gisborne scholar, and graduated as Bachelor of Arts. His first curacy was at North Walsham, Norfolk, and he was also a master at that town, and moving into Essex, from 1851 to 1854, he was incumbent of Christ Church, Stratford.

In 1854 he was appointed chaplain of the Hudson's Bay company, and it took six months for him and his young wife to reach here by way of the Hawaiian Islands. The vessel was the "Marquis of Bute," which reached Clover Point on the first day of April, 1855, and the venerable pastor recalls in his reminiscences the first visit to the fort with its towering palisades and frowning bastions. The governor, all the parsonage was built, then quite ill in the country. Among those at the fort at that time was Hon. J. S. Helmcken, then surgeon of the company, and Senator Macdonald, who had arrived on the "Tory" in 1854. The

bishop preached his first sermon at the fort, and though at first there was no instrumental music, this defect was supplied as time went on. The bishop himself played the cello, and of those early days he well remembers two governor's drives, in which all took part, one to Cadboro Bay being practically vivid. In August 1856 he officiated at the opening of the first Christ Church Cathedral, or the district church as it then was, the name being selected from his church in London, and also read prayers at the first session of the assembly of Vancouver Island, which was called together in that month. During this time, on account of the frequent visit of warships to Esquimalt, he frequently conducted service on board.

He remembers the visit of an American official to Sir James Douglas during the San Juan controversy, and of the fearless handling by Commissioner Augustus Pemberton of the ten thousand miners camped around the city waiting to cross to the Mainland when the gold fever broke out. A fatal pistol duel was fought on the Church hill during this time, and after that the possession of arms was forbidden.



BISHOP CRIDGE.

Who celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday yesterday.

At this time the city was composed of four streets, Government, Yates, Fort, and Johnson.

In 1860 he read the address of welcome to Bishop Hills the first Anglican Bishop, on his arrival at Esquimalt, and was appointed rector and dean that year on resigning his appointment as Hudson's Bay chaplain, being then licensed to preach in Victoria district by Bishop Hills.

Through differences as to ritual he left the Anglican church in 1874, and the bulk of the congregation seceded with him. It was during the time after the Anglican Church was burned down, and the congregation was worshipping in the First Presbyterian church that a trial of Mr. Cridge took place before Bishop Hills, on a point of church discipline. With him in the presence of Sir James Douglas, who presented the land for the church, and

Sir James also gave the organ. In 1875 he was elected a Bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church of Chicago, and was consecrated next year at Ottawa. In 1895 he received the honorary degree of D. D. from the Presbyterian College, Montreal.

Occasion was taken on his ninetieth birthday, four years ago, for the citizens to wait on him at his residence, Marfield, and present addresses from the city, the congregation of his church and from old friends, together with a purse of money. The Bishop very cordially received them, and his oldest friend, Hon. Dr. Helmcken, was present. Senator Macdonald read an address which was signed by all the leading officials and commercial classes in the community, and was couched in the following terms: To the Rt. Rev. Edward Cridge D. D.,

Victoria, B. C.

We, a few of your many friends in the city of Victoria, desire to congratulate you most heartily on this, the 94th anniversary of your birth.

It is an event of no common interest to us, for not alone are you lengthening your years a source of pleasure and delight to all who know you, but standing as you do in the forefront of the band of pioneers who saw this city in its beginning, and this province in its infancy, you are a link between the present time and the dawn of civilization on our island shore. We hope that many more years may be added to your honored life, rich with the love, esteem, and kindly offices and ministrations of an ever widening circle of friends, and well wishers and that your work, indissolubly bound to the fruitful past may yield a still richer harvest in years to come. Indeed we are assured that as under the increasing infirmities of age you rest to some extent from your labors, the seeds of truth and righteousness you have implanted in many minds, are bringing forth much fruit, and that your good works do follow you.

Accept our congratulations and best wishes on this December 17, 1907 as we assure you in person and by hand of our esteem and regard, and believe us to be ever your sincere friends.

Mrs. Cridge died in 1905. The Bishop preached for the last time in September 1905 at the Church of Our Lord, his sight failing at that time. Since then he has been compelled to take great care of his health, although mentally as bright as ever.

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The inevitable invasion of the great hinterland of the north by railways, following the adoption of the policy of a railway to Hudson Bay by the Liberal government, is seen in two advertisements in the current issue of the Canada Gazette of intention to apply to parliament for charters.

The Northern Territorial Railway Company, according to its announced programme, intends to lay out, construct and operate a line of railway from Fort Churchill westerly to a point on the north side of Lake Wollaston, in Saskatchewan, westerly to the south shore of Lake Athabasca, in Alberta; thence westerly to Fort McMurray and on round Lac la Biche by the most feasible route through the Rocky Mountains, to terminal at Port Essington and near the Portland Channel.

A branch is projected from the point where the line will cross the Athabasca river south to Fort McMurray and on round Lac la Biche by the most feasible route to Edmonton. The company also seeks power to generate, use and sell electric energy, and to own and operate vessels, hotels, telegraphs and telephones.

The Vancouver and Peace River Railway Company plans to build from the city of Vancouver to Lillooet, following the Fraser river to Fort George, going northerly across the Parsnip river and through the Pine River pass, thence following the valley of the South Pine river to Coal Brook in the Dominion Peace River Block, southeasterly to the vicinity of Bear Lake, in the Grand Prairie of Alberta, from there turning northward to Dunvegan and, crossing the Peace river, on to Peace River Crossing, Fort Vermillion and the Vermillion Chutes. A short branch is designed to connect Hudson's Hope, on the Peace river in the northern part of this province, with the main line where it runs along the South Pine valley.

CHOLERA IN ITALY.

Chiasso, Switzerland, Dec. 18.—The official bulletin issued by the Italian government regarding the cholera epidemic in Italy shows that the disease decreased during the week of December 30. The cholera is now limited to two provinces in Sicily. In that period 27 cases and 24 deaths were reported. The rest of the kingdom is said to be free from the disease.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Misses Stewart are in the city from Vancouver.

S. A. Spear of Spokane, arrived in the city yesterday.

H. W. McConnell of Montreal, arrived in the city on Saturday.

W. E. Playfair of Vancouver, has arrived at the Empress hotel.

Mrs. S. M. Hartman will not receive until the third Tuesday in January.

J. F. T. Webster and J. J. Davis of Portland, have arrived at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Morse of London, England, have arrived at the Empress hotel.

Dr. Chynton of Prince Rupert, arrived in the city on Saturday to attend his brother's funeral.

E. J. Shanshan of Guelp, is among the guests who registered yesterday at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hector MacKenzie have returned to Vancouver after spending a few days in this city.

Capt. Worsnop of Vancouver, arrived in the city on Saturday on business of the Canadian-Mexican line.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason and Mrs. Mason, sr., have arrived at the Empress hotel from Saskatoon.

Geo. E. McCrossan, barrister of Vancouver, is in the city on legal business. He is a guest at the Empress.

J. B. and Mrs. Arbutnot came down from South Wellington yesterday and are staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Silberstein and Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Taube, of Calgary, have arrived at the Empress hotel.

Mark R. Eagleston, formerly member for his district in the provincial parliament, is at the Dominion from Lillooet.

A. G. Welch, J. W. Vipond and J. L. Welch were passengers from Nanaimo on the night train yesterday and are at the Dominion hotel.

Dr. C. E. Doherty, medical superintendent, and Gowan S. Macgowan, of the Provincial Asylum staff, New Westminster, were in the city yesterday on departmental business.

Among the arrivals at the Empress hotel for the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Latham of New Westminster. Mr. Latham, who was formerly city treasurer of the Royal City, has been visiting the Sound cities with Mrs. Latham.

S. P. Moody, for many years with Simon Leiser & Co., left that firm on Saturday to become manager of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, and was presented with a gold watch by Mr. Leiser on behalf of the firm in recognition of his long service, and with a gold locket by the employees. Mr. Moody had been twenty-one years in the employ of the firm.

A very successful entertainment was given by Mrs. Brenton Boulton, A. R. C. M., at her home on Linden avenue on Saturday afternoon, when her pupils provided the different items on the programme. Both teacher and pupils deserve the greatest praise for their accomplishments. A delightful tea was afterwards served to the guests, in which Mrs. Boulton was assisted by Mrs. W. A. Jansson and others. The programme was as follows: "Through Field and Forest" (Vogel), Miss Edna Lawrence and Mrs. Boulton; solo, "In Rank and File" (Lange), Miss Agnes Kingham; duet, "The Little Postillon" (Klein Michel), Miss Edith Mathews and Mrs. Boulton; solo, "Lilly" (Schmidt), Miss Margaret Heatherbell; solo, "Brook in the Forest" (Wenzel), Miss Victoria Wyld; trio, "Hunter's Song" (Lyres), Misses R. Robertson, Miller and Moore; solo, "Warrior's Song" (Heller), Miss Dorothy Kingham; duet, two pianos, "Tondo" (Gurth), Misses Ethel Johns and Lena Miller; duet, "Spanish Dance" (Moscowski), Misses Ferguson and Johns; duet, two pianos, "Pas des Cymbales" (Chaminade), Miss Kingham and Mrs. Boulton; quartette, "Poet and Peasant" (Suppe), Misses Hanna, O'Meara, L. Robertson and McDonald.

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The Evening Chit-Chat By Ruth Cameron

I am urged not to forget my promise that this column shall occasionally be dedicated to telling about unusual occupations at which women have earned their bread and butter, or at least their butter.

I wish my reader friends would not forget their end of this taking. Please remember that any time you hear of some woman who has found some less crowded profession or industry, you owe it to all who have helped you at any time, to pass this suggestion along.

One interesting way in which a good cook is earning her pin money, is in making wedding cake. She has other means of support, but tucks this industry along with them. She makes the wedding cake, boxes it, ties it up, and delivers it, and also makes the bride's cake when desired. She buys her materials at wholesale, and on a large order often makes from twenty-five to fifty dollars. Why couldn't any girl who is a good worker and wants to earn extra pin money, send out pretty cards to her friends, announcing that she will do this sort of work?

A young woman in New York takes contracts for removing cockroaches from buildings. You shudder at that, and think such work should be left to men. I don't know. Isn't such work really a part of housekeeping? Apropos of this, I know a man who is a rat exterminator by trade, and apparently quite prosperous, but according to all traditions, I suppose this would not appeal to the feminine mind.

A woman in Boston takes inventories of houses that are rented furnished, and afterwards checks up the belongings.

A letter friend tells me that many young housewives, or rather housewives-to-be, have expressed the wish to her that they had some woman who would go on a shopping expedition with them, and show them how to furnish their new homes economically and tastefully. It seems to me that to people who cannot afford an interior decorator and yet feel their own inability to buy wisely and with good taste, the services of such a helper would be really invaluable, and would more than pay back whatever percentage of the total expenditure she charged.

When you read the item "frog legs" on the bill of fare, do you ever wonder where the frogs for that delicacy come from? I always had a strange notion that they must come from France, but they don't. They are raised right in this country, and one woman at least is engaged in this unique industry. She is from New Jersey. She was in poor health, which forbade indoor work, and so she bought a farm and took to raising bullfrogs.

If you don't like to do queer things, you are doubtless shuddering at some of these extraordinary women. If you don't mind being unconventional, you may even find a suggestion in these hints. And at any rate, whether they touch us or not, I think these odd things our sisters are doing, are interesting to hear about. Don't you?
Ruth Cameron

DESERVE SUCCESS OF LOCAL AMATEURS

Victoria Dramatic Club Has Become Excellent Organization—Two Fine Performances

The capital performances at the Victoria theatre on Friday and Saturday of "A Pantomime Rehearsal" emphasize the fact that in the Victoria Amateur Club this city has an organization of undoubted excellence.

The first step towards the formation of an amateur dramatic club, which had in mind originally the staging of some plays earlier in the year, were taken February last, when a meeting was held at the Balmoral hotel and an election of officers took place. The first general meeting of members had the patronage and active support of his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor Hon. T. W. Paterson as president of the club. At this meeting it was announced that nearly 100 applications for membership had been received, which included non-acting subscribers. The executive officers at the present time are somewhat changed from the original, being as follows: Hon. producer and stage director, H. Sheard; Hon. Hickers; stage manager, Major Taylor, and hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss Agnes Michay.

The objects of the society are to foster and encourage the study and practice of drama; to study and give public productions of either classical or modern plays, and to hold play readings "circles," which latter have been temporarily discontinued.

How well the objects of the club have succeeded may be attested by the splendid success which attended the production of "A Pantomime Rehearsal" which was presented last Friday and Saturday at the Victoria theatre. The opinion is unanimous among all those who were fortunate enough to see it that it was one of the finest amateur performances which has been ever produced in this city. The play is highly entertaining, and possesses the merit of allowing departures from the original to admit of the most modern songs and dances, and is bright and humorous from start to finish.

The cast which was selected for this play was singularly well drawn together, and one had only to see the harmonious action of the chorus to appreciate the nature of the members who were assigned to this work. The fun and frolic throughout gave an impression of perfect spontaneity, and even the heaviness of the members who were supposed to be heavy seemed utterly natural and unforced.

Of the songs, it need hardly be said that such a well-known singer as Mrs. Briggs should have had an enthusiastic encore for her singing of "You Alone." Mrs. Reichert, in the part of the Hon. Lily, was also much applauded, both the singing and dancing in this being of a most finished character. Miss Grey, who sang with Mr. Craddock in the duet, "Half-past Twelve," was received with an encore, and Miss Haggerty's sweet voice was heard in two very charming songs which proved very popular. Miss End Schultz performed a really difficult piece with distinction, her "What Ho, Without There!" being one of the funniest things in the play when taken in conjunction with the screamingly funny antics of the two robbers in the wood. These parts were sustained by Messrs. Drake and Poukes, both of whom as the heavy and the light impersonations were inimitable. Mr. Sheridan-Hickers, as the maker of scenic effects, was also particularly funny, the scene in which he emerges with an exploded gas tank, much smutted and begrimed, creating a ripple of laughter. Major Taylor was the worried stage manager, trying to keep himself under control to perfection, and neither underdressed nor exaggerated this difficult part at any time throughout the play. Mr. Hinks both sang and danced well, and particularly in the topical song, "I've Got No Objection to That," made a great hit in conjunction with Mr. Craddock, who shared the honors in the lampooning of the mayor and the city council, the masculine suffragette and the subdued "worm" who trundled the baby carriage.

His honor the Lieutenant-governor, president of the club, occupied a box during the performance, and a full house testified to the interest which the Victorians feel in the productions of amateurs. The whole staging and management reflect the greatest credit on all concerned, and it is to be hoped that Victoria will not have long to wait for another play from the same club.

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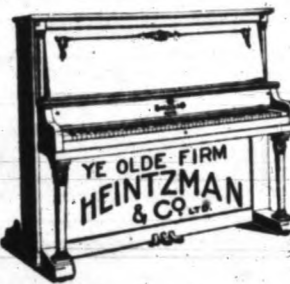
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MRS. WILLISCROFT, PRESIDENT OF VICTORIA W. C. T. U.

had always appealed to her, as a church worker, and now in her new capacity she found that this was the particular issue on which she would centre her energies. For three years she has been president of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. and previously to that had served for two years as vice-president of the society; in both capacities the strength of her personality has been felt by every member of the organization, and her qualities as a leader are generally re-

garded as a fuller meaning. Home life has always been very precious to her, and her devotion to her children has been enhanced by the broadening influence of her work outside. Another society in which Mrs. Williscroft is prominent is the Order of Maccabees. She joined the organization many years ago, its fraternalism appealing to her through the experience which had taught her that this element was necessary to harmony in nearly all the callings in life; and the insurance she considered as a form of intelligent and thrifty foresight. Nine years ago she was put into office in the "Bastard" office, holding the post of lady commander, in which office she has been most successful, and has done excellent work.

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UNDER THE CLOCK TOWER

Last week was a busy one in civic circles, and there will be a good deal of business for the city fathers to digest when they assemble again tomorrow evening. The second largest contract of the year will have to be let this week as soon as the tenders for the Sooke Lake scheme have been considered, and prepared by the water commissioner and consulting engineer. Owing to the way in which the voluminous specification has been drawn the contract may be divided or awarded. The general impression in the city is one of satisfaction that capable men have been induced to tender, and that whoever secures the contract the work will be well done. The price also is better than was anticipated, in view of the high cost of materials and supplies at the present time.

The civic centre scheme as suggested in a number of alternative proposals will give the ratepayers next month a chance to make their selections from six sites, and also to vote against the proposal in its present form should they so desire. Anyone who knows the interior of the city hall with its cramped quarters and overcrowded offices, so great has been the increase of public business in recent years, will cordially welcome any change which may be made, but there is one very difficult for the city fathers to get any money voted which threatens to increase the city liability. The fear that a suitable scheme, devoid of unnecessary frillings, at any rate, must be a matter of great expense, and will deter the electors from cordially voting for a building commensurate with the growing dignity of the city. The worst feature of building apart from the lock-up is undoubtedly the unhealthy, ill-ventilated police court, utterly insufficient to accommodate a crowd.

The B. C. E. R. agreement seems likely to end as all such problems generally do in history, in a compromise in which the city accepts what it can get, and the company gives as an act of grace something which it might have to concede in a court of law. It is said that there will be no reduction of rates in Victoria to private consumers of light should the rates go down in Vancouver with the competition from the Western Canada Power Company from Slave Lake. It is reported that such has been decided by the officers of the company who control the destiny of the B. C. E. R. on this coast. They are going to keep the citizens to the terms of the agreement which was too drastic and binding on their successors, and should have been more elastic in scope.

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"I think I may claim to be one of the old timers of that country," continued Mr. Cunningham. "My father, the late Robert Cunningham, went there in 1870. It had been a Hudson's Bay post long before that, but interest was revived by the placer mines of the Omnicca. These mines were very rich, the chief drawbacks being the excessive cost of commodities in the country and the transportation difficulties.

The great attraction of Hazelton is mineral. Even in my earlier days—I am a native of the north country, and have been going up and down this coast for forty-one years—I remember seeing them at Hazelton outfitting for far distant points. Today they have found that the greatest wealth lies right at hand. In the hills surrounding the town. These are not wildcat schemes. The mines have been taken hold of by staunch, bona fide people, who have nothing to sell. In addition to this there is an immense field of anthracite coal adjacent to Hazelton pronounced by miners and experts to be equal in quality and almost in extent to the Pennsylvania deposits.

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pass through South Hazelton, south of the junction of the Bulkley and Skeena, and here the station will be established. This is very close to Old Hazelton, and a bridge will join the two places so that those who already have interests in the old town will be able to retain them.

"Hazelton has changed greatly in the last few years, and grown a great deal. There are to-day only four of the old-time timers left, Jim May, Ezra Evans, Charlie McKinnon and Angus McIntosh. These are the old-timers of the place, and they have certainly seen a lot of changes."

Mr. Cunningham, who is a great amateur collector, has with him on this trip the skins of two of these rare animals, ursus kermodei, shot by an old Indian near Kitsumkalum, and also a perfect collection of tiny, slate totem poles from Masset, Queen Charlotte Islands.

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Before a large audience yesterday afternoon the new John Sluggett church at Saanich was opened and the dedicatory services conducted were most impressive. The church was erected by the late John Sluggett, one of the oldest pioneers of the Saanich district and who was a prominent Christian worker before his death. The new sacred edifice cost \$2,500 and is an excellent country church. It is finely finished in the interior.

Rev. F. T. Tapscott, who is the temporary pastor of the church until a minister is obtained, was assisted by William Marchant, executor of the Sluggett estate; Rev. H. G. Eastbrook, superintendent of Baptist missions in British Columbia, and Rev. Frederick Letts, of this city, who was formerly a pastor in Saanich. All the speakers made reference to the liberality of the Sluggett family and congratulated the district on having such a splendid place in which to worship. Rev. Mr. Eastbrook conducted the dedicatory service and Rev. Mr. Lett—lead the dedicatory prayer.

The singing was led by W. H. Pollard and was a feature of the service. Miss Scowcroft acted as organist, and vocal selections were rendered by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Westcott, of the Emmanuel Baptist choir; Mrs. Tapscott and J. A. Birnie, of the Tabernaacle church.

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WOULD PAY \$3000 TO LEAVE PRISON

Much Drink and Lost Bicycle Gains Experience for John Childers, Released To-day

"I would rather pay \$3000 than stay in that jail another night," said John Childers as he stood in the witness box of the police court this morning telling the court his story in connection with a missing bicycle, which he was charged with having stolen. Childers had been in jail since Thursday and on the day before he was fined for drunkenness. The theft charge had been remanded day after day owing to the absence of witnesses or the absence owing to illness of the magistrate. When he was finally released this morning as the theft charge was not proved, Childers in broken English made some very pointed statements regarding the city jail, and offered to do anything, money being no object, he said, as he owns eight bull carts, to get out of the prison.

Having consumed \$15 worth of Johnston street liquor last Thursday he went to a friend's house on Caledonia avenue and borrowed a bicycle. Where he steered the bicycle to he does not know. He remembers starting on it down town but then all is a blank, and he woke up in jail. Every time he has come into court Childers has protested he wanted to pay for the bicycle and get out, and this morning when his case finally came to trial he offered to pay \$55 for a \$45 bicycle and \$3000 and eight bull carts to get away. The man who lost the bicycle was not quite sure of the day he lost it, as he also had been in for drunkenness with Childers. The latter hinted there was a girl in the background and said he had consumed many thousand drinks. His friends said Childers had \$100 and was very rich, but Childers could not find the money this morning. Having promised to pay everyone he was allowed to go.

The increased number of vagrant charges recently in the police court to those who will not work, had no effect on David Napier, who the police said, had done no work for many weeks and had made a habit of getting a night's lodging at the police station. He went through the iron door and will remain away for three months. Two women and two men, strangers in the city, who were charged as vagrants on Saturday, were again remanded to-day until tomorrow.

Duck Yuen, Lee Wah Loon, J. D. Helmecken and Henry Harkness were charged with carrying on retail businesses without licenses. The latter was fined the amount of the license and \$2.50 costs. The court was told that J. D. Helmecken had obtained a license, and the Chinese cases were set over a day as the Chinese did not appear.

Magistrate Jay being still indisposed, C. J. Prior occupied the bench, and in the continued absence of C. L. Harrison, city prosecutor, R. C. Lowe directed the proceedings for the crown.

ARCHITECTS RESENT A MINISTER'S SLUR

Deputation Assures Hon. Dr. Young That University Can Be Designed at Home

The architects of the province resent the remarks made recently by the minister of education, Hon. Dr. Young, expressing the opinion that there was no member of the profession in this province who was capable of preparing plans for the provincial university. They are endeavoring to convince the minister that he is in error, and that he can have buildings designed not one hundred miles from his office which will be equal to any he may get in Montreal, New York or even in Europe—and perhaps at less cost, though they are not dwelling on that phase of it.

There was a meeting of members of the Architects' Association of B. C. held here this morning, at which the matter was discussed. It was agreed that the minister should be called upon and respectfully asked if the report of his utterances was correct, and in the event of an affirmative reply that it should be pointed out to him that the equal of their conferees anywhere; that the lack of buildings of a university type so far in the province does not warrant the inference that there are not men here who can design them in competition with the world. In pursuance of this decision a deputation from the association waited upon the minister this afternoon and laid their views before him. Among those present were Major W. Ridgway Wilson, Hout Horton, Samuel McCure, Crawford Coates, J. Wilson, H. C. Ferree and Leonard James, all of this city, and Messrs. Paul Jones, Letch, Perry, Dodds and Cross, of Vancouver.

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OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Arthur William Clayton, the motomeer employed by the B. C. Electric Company, who died last week from injuries received some weeks ago, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell. The Capital Division Carman's Union No. 109, of which the deceased was a member, the Linemen's Union and the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, all connected with the tramway company, attended in a body. There was a very big attendance, and many beautiful floral tributes were sent. Two hymns, "Abide with Me" and "Rock of Ages," were sung. The march to the cemetery was headed by Superintendent Gibson. The pallbearers were: J. Hornbrook, E. E. Blake, H. King, V. Dempsey, M. Brikman, J. B. Phillips, all employees of the B. C. Electric Company. Two special draped cars,

provided by the company, met the funeral cortege at Cook street and conveyed those who were walking to the cemetery.

The funeral of the late George Ashton, whose death occurred on Friday night at the Jubilee hospital, took place yesterday afternoon at 3:15, from the Victoria Undertaking parlors, the Rev. Gilbert Cook officiating. One hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee," was sung. The pallbearers were: A. Warner, A. Nell, Henry Smithers and George Andrews.

The funeral of the late Joseph J. Cortell took place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Hanna & Thomson chapel, Rev. Mr. Wood officiating. The A. O. F., of which the deceased was a member, had charge of the services at the grave. The pallbearers were: McLean, Grant, Penman, Holland, Thompson and Milne.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Tyler took place this morning at 8:45 from the Victoria Undertaking parlors, and fifteen minutes later from the Roman Catholic church, the Rev. Father Laterne performing the ceremony of saying mass. Rev. Father Macdonald officiated at the graveside. A large number of friends of the deceased lady were present. The following acted as pallbearers: T. W. Robinson, M. F. Moran, Isaac Wilson, N. Owens, F. Miller and J. Segmont.

Whittier, Cal., Dec. 18.—As the coffin which contained the body of Mrs. Ina Belle Sidwell was being lowered into a grave here the services were halted by an order from District-Attorney Fredericks upon a report that the woman had been murdered by means of poison. Dr. George W. Campbell, of the coroner's office, performed an autopsy. It was found that the woman had died of natural causes.

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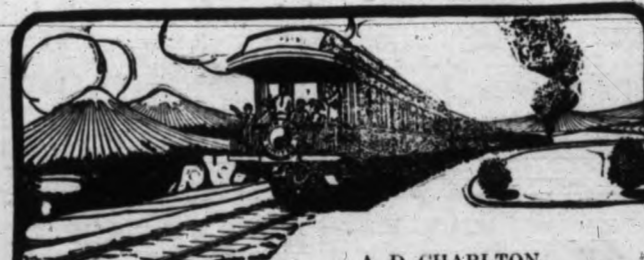
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The Imperial Canadian Trust Company

Was Incorporated Under the Laws of Manitoba by Special Act of the Legislature Assented to March 24th, 1911, With a Capitalization of

One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)

Divided Into Ten Thousand Shares of \$100.00 Each, With Power to Increase the Capital to Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000), for the Purpose of Carrying on a Trust Agency Business in All Its Branches, as Clearly Set-Forth in the Company's Special Act of Incorporation, and as Hereinafter Dealt With in This Prospectus.

The Head Office of the Company is in the City of Winnipeg, and, in addition to this, branch offices and agencies will be opened up throughout the Dominion. As a very active business will be carried on in Western Canada, special attention will be given towards effecting a thorough organization in the Western Provinces. The Company proposes to open an office in London, England, and to appoint a London board of directors, with a view to facilitating its operations and establishing valuable financial connections in Great Britain. Accordingly, the Company will be able to get into close touch with British investors and be in a position to readily furnish its Old Country clients with direct information concerning the Company and, generally speaking, the establishment of a London office and the appointing of a London board comprising representative business men will prove not only of inestimable value to the Company, but will be a source of practical benefit and convenience to the Company's clients throughout Great Britain.

It is the intention of the directors to at once offer for public subscription in Canada One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) of Ordinary Stock, and, a little later on, having regard to the business requirements of the Company, the directors will make an issue in Great Britain of four hundred thousand dollars of Ordinary Stock and one million six hundred thousand dollars of 5 per cent. Cumulative Preferred Stock upon the sanction by the shareholders of a bylaw to that effect.

The funds so obtained through the sale of the Preferred Stock will be invested in Western Canada, to yield a handsome margin of profit, and, as the Ordinary Stock will participate in these profits in addition to the profits accruing from the general business of the Company, it should prove to be a most satisfactory and profitable investment.

The Cumulative Preferred Stock will undoubtedly appeal strongly to the British public who desire to secure an investment which affords a definite rate of interest combined with absolute security.

The first allotment of Ordinary Stock is being issued at \$115.00 per share, being a premium of 15 per cent.

Already \$300,000 of Stock Has Been Subscribed

by the directors and their friends, and, from the present very active demand and inquiries for stock, indications clearly point to a prompt subscription of the entire allotment.

The terms of subscription are:

On application \$25.00 per share, which shall include the premium of \$15.00 per share, and the balance owing on the shares, payable in ten consecutive half-yearly instalments of \$9.00 per share; the first of such half-yearly instalments to become due and payable six months from date of allotment of shares.

Shares may be paid for in full on application or, as a matter of convenience to the subscriber, they may be purchased in accordance with the terms of payment as set forth in the next preceding paragraph. The investor of moderate means as well as the capitalist will, therefore, be enabled to secure with but little financial effort, a handsome number of shares. If so desired, the subscriber may pay any or all of the instalments prior to due dates and thereby derive the full benefit of his investment.

The following table illustrates the first call as well as subsequent payments according to the number of shares subscribed:

No. of Shares	Amount of First Call	Half Yearly No. of Instalments	Amount of First Call	Half Yearly Payments
1	\$ 25.00	30	\$ 250.00	\$ 270.00
5	125.00	45	1,250.00	1,350.00
10	250.00	60	2,500.00	2,700.00
15	375.00	75	3,750.00	4,050.00
20	500.00	90	5,000.00	5,400.00
25	625.00	105	6,250.00	6,750.00

Table showing total purchase price of the following number of shares at the price of \$115.00 per share:

No. of Shares	Total Purchase Price	No. of Shares	Total Purchase Price
1	\$ 115.00	30	\$ 3,450.00
5	575.00	45	5,175.00
10	1,150.00	60	6,900.00
15	1,725.00	75	8,625.00
20	2,300.00	90	10,350.00
25	2,875.00	105	12,075.00

It is worthy of special mention that no commissions have been paid for securing stock subscriptions; in fact, the only expense incurred in the promotion and organization of the Company has been in connection with securing the Company's charter and a few necessary expenses, including printing, postage, stationery, etc.

No bonus stock whatever has been nor shall be issued to anyone. Even the directors who individually have large financial holdings in the Company and take a prominent and active interest in its welfare have, without exception, paid the same price for their shares as is being offered to the general public, or, in other words, not one dollar of Ordinary Stock has been nor shall be issued for any purpose whatever at a price less than \$115.00 per share.

The income of The Imperial Canadian Trust Company will be derived from:

- (a) The investment of the capital stock, Debentures, Deposits, etc.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT:
CAPT. WM. ROBINSON, Lumber Manufacturer, President North-West Navigation Co., President Canada National Fire Insurance Co., Vice-President Northern Crown Bank, Director Northern Mortgage Company.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:
D. E. SPRAGUE, ESQ., Lumber Manufacturer, Vice-President Canada National Fire Insurance Co., Vice-President North-West Fire Insurance Co., Western Director London and Lancashire Life Assurance Company, of London, England, Director Monarch Life Assurance Co.

HON. D. C. CAMERON, Lieutenant-Governor of Province of Manitoba, President Rat Portage Lumber Company, Director Northern Crown Bank, Vice-President Manitoba Bridge and Iron Works, Ltd., President Maple Leaf Milling Company, Toronto.

E. F. HUTCHINGS, ESQ., President Great West Saddlery Company, Director Canada National Fire Insurance Company, Chairman City of Winnipeg Sinking Fund Trustees.

MANAGING DIRECTOR:
W. T. ALEXANDER, ESQ., President Great West Permanent Loan Company, Managing Director Canada National Fire Insurance Company.

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STEPHEN D. LAZIER, ESQ., Financial Agent, Winnipeg.

JAMES SHORT, ESQ., K.C., Crown Prosecutor; Short, Ross, Selwood and Shaw, Barristers, Calgary.

HON. A. C. RUTHERFORD, M.P.P., Ex-Premier Province of Alberta; Rutherford, Jamieson and Grant, Barristers, Etc., Edmonton and Strattona.

WM. H. DUNCAN, ESQ., Vice-President Beaver Lumber Company, Vice-President Western Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Managing Director Saskatchewan Securities and Trusts Corporation, Regina.

BANKERS:
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SOLICITORS:
MESSRS. TAYLOR, MACALPINE & COMPANY

AUDITOR:
D. A. PENDER, C.A., D. A. Pender & Co., Chartered Accountants.

(b) The fees and commissions in connection with the administration of estates, the investment of trust moneys, the collecting of accounts, rents, dividends, interest, mortgages, etc., acting as assignee, trustee, guardian, official administrator, etc., as well as agent for the owners of real estate, agents for the transaction of business, the management of and winding-up of estates, acting as custodian of sinking funds; and also from rents derived from the safety deposit vaults, etc.

The following figures, which are the latest obtainable, relative to the number of our Canadian Trust Companies, will prove of much interest, showing their subscribed and paid-up capital, reserve, as well as dividends paid, the net earnings on paid-up capital, the present per cent. value of the shares, and the total volume of business under the control or administration of these different companies:

Name of Company	Subscribed Capital	Paid-up Capital	Reserve	Dividend P.C.	Net Value per Share	Net Earnings on Paid-up Cap.	Total Assets	Total Liabilities	Business in Progress
Royal Trust Co., Montreal	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	14	25.32	\$43,526,795	12		
Toronto General Trusts Co., Toronto	1,000,000	1,000,000	600,000	8	18.70	41,601,297	29		
National Trust Co., Toronto	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,200,000	10	200	18.17	24,057,110	13	
Union Trust Co., Toronto	1,000,000	1,000,000	650,000	10	180	19.44	13,415,147	10	
Standard Trusts Co., Winnipeg	500,000	500,000	140,000	8	160	20.40	5,123,150	3	
Northern Trusts Co., Winnipeg	1,500,000	1,268,982	133,180	7	130	12.30	6,191,724	6	

*These shares are not listed, being very closely held, but, from a dividend point of view, they are worth \$99 per share.

The above figures are most significant, and clearly show that the volume of business controlled by each company is many times the amount of the paid-up capital, which has a most important bearing on the earning power of the Company, and therefore enables it to pay very satisfactory dividends, as well as build up a large reserve, as is evidenced by the foregoing figures.

As the profits are governed by the volume and character of the business transacted, it will be readily seen that, as the business grows year by year, the profits materially increase, and, with a fixed amount of Capital Stock, the Company is able to pay higher dividends and carry larger amounts to the Reserve, resulting in a steady increase in the value of the stock.

In promoting the Imperial Canadian Trust Company, the directors were confident that, with the rapid accumulation of wealth, and tremendous business expansion throughout the country, influenced by a succession of bountiful crops and great influx of settlers into the Dominion, the time was most opportune for organizing a large and progressive trust company.

The moral and hearty financial support already accorded the Company by leading business and professional men is indeed encouraging, and augurs well for the future success of the Company.

In offering for subscription such a large amount of Capital Stock, which will be widely distributed not only in Canada, but abroad, the directors anticipate that, through the active co-operation of the shareholders, a very extensive and valuable business connection will be established. This connection in itself will naturally result in a large amount of very desirable business, and, when combined with the powerful interests already associated with the Company, it will be at once apparent that The Imperial Canadian Trust Company is not only commencing business under most favorable auspices, but it will always have at its command a great volume of business at a minimum cost to the Company.

Accordingly the Company should experience a very rapid as well as a substantial growth, and, with the low cost of organization, the directors are confident that the Company will be able to pay very satisfactory dividends and at an early date.

For this reason, the stock of The Imperial Canadian Trust Company should strongly appeal to all careful conservative investors who are desirous of securing an absolutely safe and profitable investment.

As it is confidently expected that the entire allotment will be promptly subscribed, the directors strongly recommend the investing public to make application for the stock with as little delay as possible.

During the last ten years the Dominion of Canada has enjoyed unprecedented prosperity and has made more rapid progress in wealth, population and business expansion than at any other time in its history, until to-day, the Dominion is attracting world-wide attention not only as a desirable country for settlers but as a safe and profitable field for investors.

With the rapid growth of Western Canada, the scope of the financial institutions has become greatly enlarged and, as a result, we find that most of our large Canadian companies have been obliged to materially increase their capital, owing to the demand for money incident to expansion of business, also that many new companies have been organized with a view to improving the financial situation, and assisting as far as possible in the general development of the country.

Western Canada, which was only a few years ago comparatively unknown to the outside world, and had not then demonstrated that these Western Provinces were capable of supporting millions of people, has now come to be recognized as a great agricultural country, admirably adapted for settlers of moderate means, and as a very desirable and profitable field for the investment of capital.

With the head office of the Company located in Winnipeg, and the majority of the directors being Western men, thoroughly conversant with Western conditions, it is only natural to expect that, while this Company will operate in the various Provinces of the Dominion, yet the great volume of its business will be obtained in the four Western Provinces.

With the enormous influx of settlers into Canada, which is increasing year by year, the Western Provinces will continue to advance with even greater strides in the matter of railway extension, agricultural production, industrial and commercial enterprises than have hitherto been experienced in this country. With such a promising future in store for this portion of the Dominion, the energetic development in all lines of business will create a very active demand for money, so that financial institutions may look forward with a great degree of confidence, to many years of active and profitable business.

It is worthy of note that The Imperial Canadian Trust Company is not only being organized at a most favorable and opportune time, but it will have at its command very extensive and valuable connections owing to the fact that the directors of this Company are directors of and are financially interested in a number of other strong financial institutions, through which will be derived a large amount of very desirable business. It will, therefore, be evident that the cost of organization of this Company, including the placing of the Capital Stock, will be much lower than that of companies organized under less favorable conditions, and, in view of the low cost of organization and the volume of business under its immediate control this Company should be enabled to pay handsome dividends, and at an earlier date than could otherwise be reasonably expected.

The directorate of this Company is comprised of men of wide experience, well and favorably known in the financial and commercial world. Each director has subscribed for at least One Hundred Shares of the Capital Stock upon which all calls have been paid, and, in addition to this, every director takes an active interest in the welfare of the Company with a view to building up a strong and successful institution.

tution. Under these circumstances, it will be at once apparent that the affairs of the Company will be conducted on safe and conservative lines.

Every possible precaution will be taken in the investment of the Company's funds. Only high-class securities will be considered, such as first mortgages on improved real estate, stocks, bonds, and debentures of companies of unquestioned stability, also Dominion and Provincial securities, as well as Municipal, County and School securities of well established districts.

Absolute security, combined with a reasonable rate of interest, is a most essential feature to be considered when making any financial investment, and, in this connection, The Imperial Canadian Trust Company should excel.

The funds of the Company will be very largely invested in the security of first mortgages on improved productive real estate in Western Canada, where land values are steadily increasing and where the rates of interest obtainable are at least two per cent. higher than in the older settled portions of the Dominion. With its mortgage loans, the Company is doubly secured, inasmuch as while the Company's fixed policy is never to mortgage property for more than 50 per cent. of its conservative value, yet, with every mortgage, the interest as well as a definite amount of principal, is repayable yearly. Further precaution is exercised, as all mortgaged properties are covered by ample insurance in thoroughly reliable companies.

In respect to the funds which will be invested in stocks, and debentures, it might be well to mention that these securities are, generally speaking, readily negotiable and constitute a very desirable liquid asset.

In view of the fact that a large portion of the Company's funds will be invested in first mortgages in Western Canada, it is highly important that the directors should be thoroughly conversant with Western conditions. A glance at the personnel of the board will be most reassuring in this respect. Situated at the Gateway of the West, this Company, with its representative board of directors, is destined to become one of our largest Canadian financial institutions, and, with its interests, international as well as local, it will materially assist in attracting foreign capital into the Dominion and thereby add to the general wealth, prosperity and development of our country.

The business of a trust company has now come to be recognized as an absolute necessity in the business life of to-day, and what was formerly the common practice to appoint personal trustees to administer trust estates and perform such other duties as might be assigned them, is now very largely superseded by appointing, for such purposes, a trust company, which has, through its directors of long business experience as well as trained and trustworthy officials, a thorough organization, fully equipped with all the facilities necessary for the prompt and efficient execution of the varied and complex obligations incident to the business.

Owing to the rapid accumulation of wealth and the great increase in population in the Dominion, the demand for the services of a trust company has grown to such an extent among the great masses of the people, that the trust companies are now regarded as almost indispensable in modern business. They now constitute a very important factor in our country as a safe, convenient and reliable means for looking after estates and sundry other business, which would be practically impossible for the private individual, no matter how capable and willing, to manage, for, perhaps, a long term of years, in the same thorough and comprehensive manner.

The general satisfaction of clients which has resulted from their employment of trust companies to perform such duties as were formerly assigned to private individuals and the enviable record and financial standing of our Canadian trust companies, have been instrumental in securing the entire confidence of the general public. As an evidence of the increasing popularity of these companies and the esteem in which they are held by investors as well as clients, we have but to refer to the very rapid and substantial growth during recent years, until they now rank among the strongest of our financial institutions and exercise a great influence in the financial and commercial world.

In the promotion of this large Canadian company, the Directors have the utmost confidence that The Imperial Canadian Trust Company will, with characteristic Western energy and enterprise, soon come to be recognized as one of our strongest and most progressive financial institutions, and, as this Company, through its valuable connections abroad, will be instrumental in bringing a considerable amount of capital into the Dominion for the purposes of investment, and will undoubtedly be a valuable acquisition to our Canadian money and will be fully appreciated by the Canadian people and that the Company will be able to pay a handsome dividend, and at an earlier date than could otherwise be reasonably expected.

As this is the first issue of the Company's stock and, therefore, the lowest price at which it will ever be available through public subscription, the Directors strongly recommend the investment to the subscribers for their immediate and careful consideration. Subscribers are requested to kindly fill out the attached application form, stating name in full, number of shares desired, occupation and address, and mail the application along with the first call of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per share on the stock direct to the Head Office of the Company, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or, if so desired, application for the stock may be made at any of the Company's Branch Offices or at any Branch of The Canadian Bank of Commerce, where application blanks and any additional information will be readily furnished. Applications for stock will be considered in the order received, and on approval of the same by the Board of Directors, a Certificate of Stock for the number of shares subscribed for and allotted will be issued and mailed to the shareholder forthwith. Do not fail to make application for the stock at once, as the Directors fully anticipate that with such a very desirable investment the entire issue will be promptly subscribed.

Cheques, Drafts, Money Orders, or other remittances on account of stock subscriptions, should be made payable to The Imperial Canadian Trust Company.

References: The Bank of Montreal, The Canadian Bank of Commerce, also R. G. Dun & Co., and Bradstreet Co., Mercantile Agencies, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The Imperial Canadian Trust Company

(Incorporated by Special Act of the Legislature of Manitoba.)
HEAD OFFICE: WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CANADA.

APPLICATION FOR ORDINARY SHARES

To the Directors of THE IMPERIAL CANADIAN TRUST COMPANY:

I do hereby apply for Ordinary Shares

of the par value of the Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each, in the Capital Stock of The Imperial Canadian Trust Company, at the price of One Hundred and Fifteen Dollars (\$115.00) per share, being at a premium of Fifteen Per Cent. (15 per cent.), and I do hereby request you to allot or transfer to me the said number of Shares and I do hereby covenant and agree with the said The Imperial Canadian Trust Company, to accept the Shares now applied for, or any lesser number that may be allotted or transferred to me, and to pay the said Company for such Shares, as follows: Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per Share on application, which shall include the first of said Shares, and the balance owing on the Shares in ten consecutive half-yearly instalments of Nine Dollars (\$9.00) per Share, the first of such half-yearly instalments to become due and payable six months from the date of allotment of said Shares.

I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint the Manager and Secretary and Treasurer of The Imperial Canadian Trust Company, and each of them and the successor in office of any of them, my true and lawful Attorney, for me and in my name, place and stead, and on my behalf to sign and proscribe my name to the Subscribers' Agreement in the Stock Books of the said Company, for the aforesaid Shares in the within-named Company, and in accordance with the terms set forth in the Stock application, and to accept such Shares as may be allotted or transferred to me, and to register me therein as the holder of the said Shares.

It is my understanding that:

(a) Applications for Stock will be filled in the order received, and on approval of same by the Board of Directors, a Stock Certificate will be issued and mailed to the Shareholder forthwith.

(b) The holder of these Shares will be paid the dividends that may be declared on the same from time to time by the Board of Directors. Dividends shall be declared and apportioned in proportion to the amount paid into the Company on the par value of the Shares.

(c) Instalments on Shares may be paid prior to due dates, and when all of such instalments have been paid, a fully-paid Certificate will be issued to the holder of these Shares.

(d) These Shares are transferable only on the Books of the Company by the owner in person, or by the Attorney, on surrender of the Certificate of Stock, properly endorsed. Transfers shall not be valid unless approved by the Board of Directors.

AS WITNESS my hand and seal this day of A.D., 1911.

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LOUIS COSTE HERE TO EXAMINE PORT

HE WILL INVESTIGATE COMMERCIAL NEEDS

Meeting With Board of Trade Committee This Afternoon—Recognizes Port's Importance

Louis Coste, O.E., arrived in the city on Saturday afternoon in order to make an examination of the needs of the port of Victoria, which will form the basis of a report to the department of public works. He will go into the commercial side of the case very fully with local merchants and shipping men so as to be able to report on the probable tonnage which will have to be provided for here after the Panama canal route is open, and will examine the various plans proposed for harbor work.

Mr. Coste has not been here for some three years, when he was on the island to examine the possibilities of Sooke Harbor, and he was struck at once by the progress the city has made in the interval. He commented to a Times man on the much better appearance of the city, the great improvement made in paving and the number of fine modern buildings which have gone up or in process of erection. He appeared to be fully impressed with the immense importance of Victoria as the most westerly port in Canada. There is no doubt in his mind that the opening of the Panama canal is going to give a tremendous impetus to the trade of the whole Pacific coast, and all the United States ports on this coast are showing their faith in the future by making heavy investments in harbor works, which will put them in a position to compete for a portion of the business.

"I cannot tell, of course, what I shall recommend for this port, but I believe the best scheme to properly carry out the requirements of it is a broad comprehensive one which can be completed in sections. It should be a progressive plan, one portion of it following the others to completion, perhaps in, say, three sections. But of course it will take much consideration to see what is the best to do. My instructions are to look over both the inner and the outer harbors and consult with the people here who know them best in order to decide what is really required to provide sufficient facilities for the sea-going and the coasting trade. One thing I am satisfied of and that is that a breakwater will be a necessary part of the scheme at the entrance of the harbor, and perhaps one at each side of the harbor, in order to protect the shipping, insular from prevailing winds and waves. These would run into seventy-five feet of water or thereabouts and make the harbor inside perfectly safe at any season of the year."

This afternoon Mr. Coste is meeting with the special committee of the board of trade, together with R. P. Rihet, Capt. J. W. Troop and Capt. Logan. He expects to be here for the rest of the week, and is registered at the Empress.

SAILS SOUTHWARD WITH FULL CARGO

Beckenham Clears for Salina Cruz—Awa Maru Out To-morrow

Bound for Salina Cruz and other Mexican ports, the Canadian-Mexican liner Beckenham, Capt. Gow, left the Outer Docks yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock with a full cargo. At Comox the steamship loaded several thousand tons of general freight, including salmon, lumber oil and other merchandise. While here the vessel took on a few tons and cleared for the south bound to her capacity.

With a full passenger list and every hold crammed full with flour, cotton and machinery the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Awa Maru, Capt. Iriwawa, will sail from this port to-morrow afternoon for Yokohama and Hongkong. The steamship is now at Seattle completing her cargo and will be here about 4.30 to-morrow. At Victoria a large number of Orientals who are returning for the New Year's celebrations will embark and altogether the Awa will have in steerage about two hundred passengers.

No word has yet been received from any of the trans-Pacific liners which are due to arrive here this week. The Inaba Maru, Capt. Tomlinson, is expected to dock on Wednesday, the Strathlyon, under charter to Andrew Weir, on Thursday, the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, on Friday and the Blue Funnel liner Teucer on Saturday. It is expected that the west coast wireless stations will get into communication with the Nippon steamship to-night and pick up the other vessels later.

All of the Oriental liners are coming across the Pacific with large shipments of Japanese oranges as well as large consignments of other Oriental products. From the four vessels about four thousand tons of freight will be discharged at the Outer Docks.

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MAJOR GREEN AND HIS EXPERIENCES

SALVATION ARMY OFFICER TELLS OF HIS WORK

Call of Duty Has Taken Him to Many Fields—Big Work in British Columbia

Major and Mrs. Green of the Salvation Army, who arrived in this city from Vancouver on Saturday afternoon, are entering upon a new field of work in taking up the leadership of the Army in British Columbia. The division is a large one, and the corps are scattered and far apart, but the

Major and his wife are bringing all their well-known enthusiasm and interest to the work, and are in no wise daunted by the task before them.

The new officers have been in Vancouver for only three weeks, and have not yet covered the introductory work preliminary to a definite campaign; they have been away from England for four and a half years, most of which time has been spent in the Hamilton division, where their work was a wonderful success and much appreciated. The present division under Major Green's control extends as far north as Dawson City, and comprises seventeen native (Indian) branches. The major says he has been astonished to find so much real intelligence among the native corps, some of which are in charge of natives who have proved themselves singularly clever and capable, and five of whom the army contemplate in the near future commissioning as sergeant-majors.

The major has many interesting stories to tell of his experiences in army work. For nine years he was stationed in London as a field officer, and as commanding officer of Regents Hall, the biggest corps of the Salvation Army in the world. His work there took in two divisions, which comprised about fifty corps, covering Southend, Whitechapel, Stepney, and the Jew-coat Lane. His experiences in Wales, where he spent about two and a half years, were at the time of the revivals which took place under Evan Roberts. This revival spirit, the major believes, were quite spontaneous, and would have come about without the presence of this great evangelist; the time was ripe for it, and Evan Roberts had much to do with the explosion of the Spirit which was working among the people, although long before his coming men were waiting for him at the pit mouths and falling prone in a religious ecstasy.

Mrs. Green and the major were in Wales at the time of one of the most disastrous mine explosions that ever took place in Great Britain, and Mrs. Green watched for three days and nights at the pit mouth while the dead were being carried from the mine through the unspeakably sad groups which gathered to await news of the recovery of some mangled body of brother, husband, or father. On one occasion he followed the casket of a dead miner down the hills for many miles on foot, watching the people gathering from all sides to join in the melancholy procession and take their turn as bearer of the bier.

On another occasion he carried on a revival in the North of Ireland, where he thoroughly enjoyed the work, and met with great success. In Glasgow he carried on something in the nature of a campaign among the Scotch, being stationed there for one year. Here again he was welcomed by the people, and, owing to the appalling poverty which he encountered in the slums, felt that he had done perhaps one of his greatest works among the poor of that city. On one occasion when he went down among the tenements to hold a meeting he was given a three-penny bit by a woman who was in rags—an incident which touched the major's kind heart and made him feel the kinship which exists among the

poor. One of the army centres in Glasgow is the city hall, and from there nurses and stum officers were sent out into the city and formed a dense network which covered the remotest cases of poverty and misery. A brother of Major Green's is a minister in the city of Glasgow, and often on Sunday morning he passed the doors of his brother's church to conduct his street services. From Scotland he went to the west of England, and worked among the Cornish people. Here he found a profound simplicity and a curious ignorance, which made him do as very far-off places quite foreign to their part in the world; going to Devonshire meant "going to England." His experiences among these people he enjoyed immensely, and he found them very impressive.

During his leadership of the Hamilton division he visited Cobalt, going there in the depth of winter when the thermometer registered 52 degrees below zero, and mountains of snow made travelling well-nigh impossible. Here he travelled sometimes all night looking for suitable shelter, and finally having to put up in a bunk-room with snoring unkept men all about him, and the bleak wind whistling through the cracks of the rough board walls. The Hamilton division extends from Niagara Falls to Porecupine, and has thirty corps, so that in his previous Canadian work the major has had a foretaste of what he is to experience in this big western province. In Hamilton Mrs. Green devoted most of her time to prison work, conducting meetings regularly in the jail there. In Hamilton jail she met the notorious Zimmerman, who has since then been sentenced to a long term of imprisonment for bigamy. Many of the cases of conviction which she effected have been followed by her, and she says that they have been so well sustained in numerous cases that she feels well repaid for her efforts in that direction. She is continuing the work in the prisons here, and intends going out to Westminster next Sunday to preach to the prisoners. Yesterday she addressed about 70 prisoners in Victoria prison.

Throughout the army, major and Mrs. Green are known as the "Singing Evangelists," a term which undoubtedly arose through their musical abilities, for the major both plays and composes, some of his pieces having been published in the army hymn-book. He also composes verse, and has written several choruses which are very popular among the Salvation Army. It is anticipated that he will come over to Victoria in the near future and give a week's evangelistic services here. In so small and prosperous a city as this, it is rarely that cases of real poverty come to the notice of the army, but in Vancouver it is anticipated that about a hundred hampers will be sent out to poor families at Christmas time.

It is interesting to know that Mrs. Green was a great personal friend of Miss Eva Booth, who, in fact, performed the marriage ceremony between Major Green and his wife. They will return this afternoon to Vancouver to resume their work there.

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LONSDALE IN DOCK. Mexican Steamship Floated in Yesterday—No Report as to Repairs Necessary.

Yesterday the Canadian-Mexican liner Lonsdale, Capt. Bates, was floated into the dry dock at Esquimalt for her annual survey. It is not yet known just what repairs will be made to the vessel but she is badly in need of an overhaul. She will remain here upwards of three weeks and is not scheduled to sail for Mexico until January 25.

FAILURE OF MISTLETOE HERE.

To the Editor—In your issue of 15th there is an article on the above subject with which I do not agree. In so far as thinking that Victoria's climate is unsuitable for its growth, on the contrary I think it is eminently suitable, and have no doubt if either sown or grafted on old trees of almost any of the tree forms of the natural order Rosaceae it will thrive, though it does best on the apple and the thorn. Occasionally in Britain it is found on the oak, but it is very rare. The ancient Druids used to value that on the oak very highly. In my experience I find the vigor of young apples against the parasite, it doing far better on older trees, and especially on those that are not sprayed with mineral matter of any kind. The modus operandi is very simple, the seeds being simply rubbed into cracks in the bark or slight incisions may be made, but no results of any consequence will be seen for eight or ten years, as the seed is enclosed in a gummy substance. It is quite easy to apply perfectly good seed

here. Grafting mistletoe can easily be done in March, and should be quite successful if good, fresh scions were got from England per post. Botanically it is known as Viscum Album, natural order Zanthaceae, sub-class Corollifera.

JAMES SIMPSON.

WANT A LLOYD GEORGE.

To the Editor—I see that in the report in the Colonist of the proceedings of the newest combine, our Mayor is to be asked to publicly countenance this latest invention for adding to the riches of those who already have enough and to spare. I do hope His Worship will be wise enough to decline. I noticed His Worship's letter to the Colonist some time back against an English Duke instituting the modern imitation of the feudal system over here. We shall want a Lloyd George in British Columbia if combines of rich people are allowed to go on unchecked. They raise prices and tend to enslave the working-man. I see the same combine has been discussing the Telephone Co.'s latest hold-up, which is quite right, but too much like the pot calling the kettle black.

C. P.

PERSONAL.

R. J. Hearst left yesterday for Toronto via the Chicago-Milwaukee.

C. B. Kennedy, until recently operator at the government wireless station at Pacheña, is in the city.

Wendell Burrill Shaw is gazetted in the last issue of the Canadian Gazette as a provisional lieutenant in the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A.

Andrew Gray, of the Victoria Machinery Depot, and his family, left on Sunday night for Toronto via the Chicago-Milwaukee.

colliers, left Victoria for Columbus, Ohio, Saturday, going by way of the Chicago-Milwaukee.

C. P. Edwards, superintendent of the Dominion Radio Telegraph system, left to-day for Ottawa by the Chicago-Milwaukee.

Mrs. Horton left yesterday for Europe via the Grand Trunk and Chicago-Milwaukee and the White Star liner Laurentic.

Mr. Lustig, of the Vancouver Island Auto Company, left for Toronto yesterday by the Chicago-Milwaukee and the Grand Trunk.

Charles Earle, assistant city passenger agent of the Grand Trunk system, has left on a holiday trip to the East. He will spend Christmas at his old home in Picton, Ont.

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DIARY OF A BACK-BENCHER

The back bencher has decided to wield the axe and cut off the heads of the luckless Grit office holders in his constituency. He does so with mixed feelings. He remembers his lofty utterances on civil service reform and non-discrimination in the matter of appointment when campaigning, but comforts himself with the reflection that it is for his party's good and also that the "other fellows" are doing it. Ottawa, Dec. 1911.

Have decided to use the axe. Some official heads in my constituency certainly must be removed. All our fellows here are prescribing Grit office holders in their districts and the guillotine is working overtime. One member told me he had already caused twenty heads to fall into the basket, and he had just received from the president of his executive committee a list of ten more. Of course I can't get rid of that many in my constituency because there are only a dozen Liberal seats holding jobs there, but that dozen certainly have to go. In fact, I have no other alternative. Have received long letter from chairman of my executive stating that "boys are getting sore." They have been reading reports of wholesale dismissals elsewhere and they are wondering why I haven't done anything. He adds that it is political necessity that whole Liberal bunch must go and he sent me a list of their successors. Also must make some additional appointments somewhere to satisfy those left out. Chairman recommends three men as excise officers to keep tabs on—'s brewery. Of course, one only is necessary, but we can't afford to antagonize the brothers. There are six votes in their family. Think I will also appoint two immigration officers. There is no immigration in my district, but the two men recommended by the committee are fine rustlers and secured majority for me in polling division Twenty-three. Arrangements will be made for them to do little missionary work getting up the lists and so forth, while drawing pay as immigration officers. This will enable association to avoid paying anything for organization work and help keep funds intact for next election.

Have just received letter from eight of the dozen Liberals whom I have decided to fire. They claim they have always been Tories—in fact they have rendered great services to grand old party. They all voted for me and practically won my election. They say they only pretended to be Grits for fifteen years so as to find out what enemy were really doing, but now that our party had come into its own, and to disguise themselves as longer necessary. They point out that they were in the torchlight procession on the night of my election and three of them furnished the brooms. Don't believe a word of it. Those fellows can't pull wool over my eyes. If there is anything I pride myself upon it is a knowledge of men. In fact without egotism I think I can safely describe myself as the ablest judge of men in Ottawa. Those fellows were always Grit, and brooms or no brooms, they have got to go. At first felt dubious about dismissing men who had done their work so well and had some competition about beholding the four who were too honest to write to me and claim they had always supported me. But I must harden my heart. Must steel myself. All the other fellows are doing it and they don't seem to feel any compunctious throbs. Why should I? After all, is it not demanded by duty to our party? Should we not do as our party requires, irrespective of all considerations? At same time I think it little inconsistent of me, because during campaign I advocated extension of civil service reform and said politics should not enter into consideration when appointments to offices are made. Also said I was too lofty a politician to dismiss Liberals because of their politics. Think I can get around that, however. Can say changes were necessary in public interest. Great subterfuge that. All our fellows are using it. Sometimes wonder if consistent for me. Bible class teacher and deacon to resort to such practices, but suppose it is Napoleon and morality in affairs of state was different article from morality in private life. He ought to have known. Am inclined to agree with him, which shows there is something Napoleonic about me. Met disgusted Liberal to-day. Says that since election he has been practically boycotted by men of his town who used to carry banners in Grit processions. Gave them lots of government business, and now they look at him as if they had never seen him. Has discovered some of them on Conservative executive committee. Says they used to roll their eyes heavenward and fervently preached about sacred Liberal principles, and now they are trying to sell shelf-worn cast-off supplies to Tory government. Says they won't even play bridge with him. Have been invited to address Conservative club on Friday afternoon on "Higher Politics." Evidently, his honor will be in company of our distinguished men are going to enlighten people of Ottawa on public questions during session. Hon. Robt. Rogers is to speak on "Honesty in Politics." Hon. George Foster in "Political Consistency." Hon. P. D. Monk on "Thinking Imperially." Hon. Dr. Spruille on "How Can We Restore Religious Harmony?" Henri Bourassa will also give an address on "How to Strengthen British Connection." Hon. Clifford Sifton will wrap up series with an instructive talk on "The Poor Man in Politics." Very gratifying to be placed in same class as the above great statesmen, which indicates that I am gradually coming into my own. Made business tour of different offices to-day. Called first at department of agriculture in Langevin block. Fine building facing main parliament block. Built previous year. When Sir Hector Langevin was minister of public works. Contractors grafted and thing made nasty scandal. Helped to put us out of business. Looked at building long time with painful recollections. Every stone was a graft. Hope Monk will erect on Mackenzie avenue. Langevin block should be perpetual warning. Found lot of members waiting for minister-in-secretary's anti-room. Told secretary I was in hurry and should go in first. He said some of them had been waiting two hours. I told him who I was. He said he was glad to know me and was sorry rule of office did not permit me to go in first. Said he had read my speech and it was splendid utterance. Secretary very nice fellow. Decided I would call again. Then went into post office department on lower floor, but Minister Pelletier was away. Was in Quebec telling his constituents that Conservative party did not believe in navy. Such nerve. On wall in his waiting room is a framed cartoon labelled, "A has la marine," which the messenger told me meant "down with the navy." I wanted letter box in my home town painted blue, our party's color. It is now red, but that is Grit color. Will take matter up with minister when he returns.

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JURY DISAGREES. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 18.—The jury disagreed and were discharged Saturday in the case of A. H. and Clarence A. Moore, officers of the Alaska Investment & Development Company, charged with using the mails to defraud. The final vote was eight to four for conviction. The case was set for retrial in March. The company had agencies in various cities, promising employment to purchasers of stock. A large number of stockholders were sent to Nome, Alaska, in 1909, to work on the company's El Dorado mining ditch, and being unable to get pay from the company they were stranded in the Far North with winter coming on. Urgent appeals caused the United States government to send a revenue cutter to take the people away.

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Mme. Deapette Alvina, the distinguished New York dramatic soprano, who has achieved great operatic triumphs in the foreign musical centres, is one of the new stars recently added to the organization. She stands pre-eminent as, perhaps, the greatest interpreter of the Thais role that the operatic world has yet produced, and at a recent portrayal of the character in the sensational Massenet opera at San Francisco, she is said to have fairly swept the audience of first-nighters off their feet by her marvellous vocal and histrionic display. Mme. Alvina will, it is understood, be heard during the coming engagement of the Lambardi company in this city as Clo Clo San, the injured Japanese maiden in Puccini's opera, Madame Butterfly.

The repertoire to be given here will be as follows: To-night, "Madame Butterfly"; to-morrow night, "Faust."

"The Old Town"

Montgomery and Stone will appear in one of their greatest musical comedy successes, "The Old Town," at the Victoria theatre on Thursday night.

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practically all its time in Mr. Dillingham's globe theatre, New York, and his Studebaker theatre in Chicago, with a few visits to the more important points. Some eighty-five people comprise the numerical strength of the party necessitating special trains for their conveyance.

"Polly of the Circus"

Ida St. Leon in the title role in Frederic Thompson's massive production of "Polly of the Circus," with its two loads of scenery and its troop of animal performers sufficient in number to cause even some regular tent-shows to suffer by comparison, takes possession of the Victoria theatre next Friday and Saturday. Miss St. Leon is supported by all the important members of the original "Polly of the Circus" company, a fact which assures a performance of smoothness and force. "Polly of the Circus," with its fancy-topped entertainment enterprises and theatregoers who have once seen the wonderful production of a circus ring performance, which is the feature of the third act of "Polly of the Circus," require no urging to a second night.

A special children's matinee will be given Saturday afternoon, December 23rd.

PASSING SHOW

Majestic Theatre.

To-day and Tuesday, "An Episode Under Henri III., King of France." He desires the removal of the Duke of Guise and hires a band of cut-throats to assassinate the Duke. The King's sister, however, hears of this plot and sends her friend, the Duke de Bussy, to save her lover. Bussy succeeds in his mission, but later the King finds out who has befriended his sister in this matter, and it results ultimately in the death of the noble Duke. "The Mate of the John M." is a love story of the sea told with a fervor and convincing power that carries conviction. "The Indian Plute" is an Indian story picturesquely and practically told, portraying the primeval beauties and environments of nature, from which the Redman imbibed the romance, and traditions of his race. "The Summer Girl" is a comedy in which a young man put on dresses and sits near his rival's clothes when he is in swimming and thereby prevents him from dressing and keeping his appointment.

Romano Theatre.

"From the Bottom of the Sea," two reels, Imp. drama. A young naval ensign is in love with the daughter of his lieutenant, who tells him he must win his stripes ere he will favor his suit. A French army officer also loves the girl, but she despises him, though her father is willing to accept him. The lieutenant receives orders to take a trial trip in a new submarine, and the ensign accompanies him. Prior to their departure, the ensign shows his rival over the boat. He tapers with the air apparatus. All goes smoothly on the trip until the lieutenant wishes to rise. He finds he cannot do so, and as the pressure is robbing them of their air supply, they are in a dangerous state. The ensign volunteers to be fired through the torpedo tube. This is done and he reaches the surface and swims for help. A tender arrives and pumps air in, thus saving the lives of the crew. The Frenchman is suspected of tampering with the ship and is punished, while the ensign receives the reward of his heroism.

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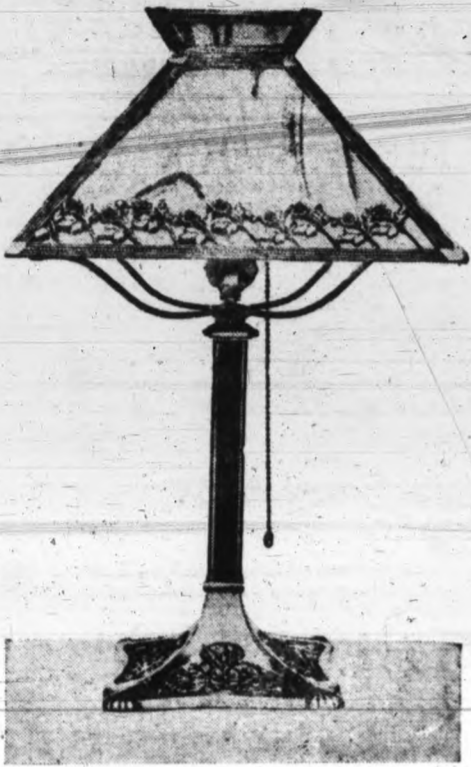
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BOARD OF TRADE COMMITTEES NAMED

Council of Nanaimo Organization Meets and Discusses Public Questions

Nanaimo, Dec. 16.—The council of the board of trade met last night, and the interest aroused over the various matters up for attention was a criterion of that body's worth, then Nanaimo may expect a real live institution organized for the public weal to promote the welfare of our city. Passages at arms over questions pertinent and vital evinced a more optimistic spirit than has prevailed for some time. Routine business was executed in a business-like way and the following committees appointed: Trade, commerce and transport, Messrs. Ashley, Randle, Bird, Powers and Van Houten. Mr. C. C. McRae, manager of the Royal Bank, mentioned and will probably be later placed on this important committee. Manufacturing, Messrs. Shepherd (M.P.), Freeman, Stockett, Hodgson; fisheries, Messrs. Powers, Johnson, Rudd, Peto, Hodgson; agriculture and forestry, Mainwaring, Dr. Brown, Harbor, Kitchen and Shaw; labor, Messrs. Knarston, Yates, McQuade, Quennell and Morton; finance, Messrs. McRae and Shaw; mining, Messrs. Stockett, Shepherd (M.P.), Freeman; railway and freights, Messrs. Mahner, Fortmurer, Van Houten, Pearson, Young; immigration, Dr. Brown, Dr. Reynolds and Mowat. Public works and railways, Messrs. Leicester, Van Houten, Doyle, Norris, Mowat, Dr. Reynolds, Stevens; publicity, Kitchen, Mainwaring, Beattie, Norris and Ashley; legislature, Messrs. Simpson, Brumpton, Potts, Planta and McRae; reception, Messrs. Planta, Shaw, Hodgson, Birde and Randle.

The vexed problem of the ravine engaged the attention of the meeting and a feeling prevails that the council of the board will result in a solution to this retarding embroglio and menace to public health.

BOARD MAY EXPROPRIATE

New Westminster, Dec. 14.—At a meeting of the New Westminster school board the question of the expropriation of land for school purposes came up for discussion. The members of the board are negotiating for the purchase of a suitable site for which they are prepared to pay \$20,000. One or two property owners whom they are negotiating are inclined to hold out for a higher figure for their property. At the meeting last evening it was decided to instruct the solicitor of the board that if a reasonable offer for the property is refused steps should be taken to expropriate.

CIVILIAN RIFLEMEN

New Denver, Dec. 15.—The secretary's report submitted at the annual meeting of the New Denver Civilian Rifle Association showed progress and a balance in the bank on the right side. The following officers were elected: Captain, R. J. Suterland; first lieutenant, Early Nelson; second lieutenant, E. H. Grubbe; secretary-treasurer, E. B. Chickmore; auditor, J. B. Smith; committee, Rev. E. McCann and S. L. Haws. New targets have been installed during the past year and the range put into good shape. Weekly shoots will be held and suitable trophies awarded at the end of the season.

FIREMEN'S PENSIONS

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—At the penultimate meeting of the present fire and light committee, held yesterday afternoon, the report of the sub-committee was received as to the firemen's pension and benefit fund. Alderman Williamson and Representative Woodside recommended that the city take over the funds, which now amount to \$14,000, and handle same in future through a board, consisting of two aldermen, two members of the fire department and the mayor. The city is asked to contribute an amount equal to 2 per cent of the gross salaries of the firemen. The committee's report was adopted, and Alderman Williamson is to give notice of a by-law to cover the matter.

KASLO MAYORALTY

Nelson, Dec. 14.—A. T. Garland is in the field as a mayoralty candidate in Kaslo. He declares for a progressive policy. F. E. Archer, the present incumbent, will probably be his opponent.

NELSON'S NEW HOSPITAL

Nelson, Dec. 16.—On December 22 the property owners of the city will be asked to vote upon a by-law authorizing a grant of \$15,000 to assist in the construction of the new Kootenay Lake General Hospital building, for which \$20,000 has been raised by private subscription and \$35,000 or dollar for dollar, promised by the provincial government. This was decided at the last meeting of the city council.

A marked increase in the city's revenue from the electrical power plant was shown by the report from R. A. Brown, who stated that the receipts during the year to date had reached the total of \$54,900 and that he had every reason to believe that the sum of \$60,000 would be attained by the end of this month. The total last year was \$50,155. Mr. Brown referred to the excellent manner in which the units were running and suggested that some steps be taken next year towards remodeling and overhauling the distribution system in the city.

An application from the fire chief pointing out that he was now under the expense of renting a house where, as he formerly resided at the fire hall and asking for an increase in salary was received. It was pointed out that under the by-law the limit of the salary for the chief of the fire department was \$130. Chief Guthrie was being paid \$125 and next year would receive \$130. On motion of A. G. Glicker, seconded by A. D. Ferguson, it was decided to make the chief a special allowance of \$15 per month.

McClary's famous stoves and ranges, Clark & Pearson, 1313 Wharf, near Johnson.

SUNDAY SHOOTING IS PROHIBITED

Chilliwack Township Council Passes By-Law Fine or Jail for Offenders

Chilliwack, Dec. 16.—The unrestrained desire of many persons to hunt game birds on Sunday and the annoyance this has caused to the ranchers and property-owners who want to observe a good quiet Sabbath as well as afford protection to the birds at least one day in the week, has prompted the township council to come to the rescue and pass a by-law regulating the firing off and carrying of guns on Sundays. The principal clause of the by-law is as follows: No person shall fire or discharge a gun or fowling piece across a public road within the limits of the township. No person under the age of 18 years shall have in his possession a gun or fowling piece within the bounds of the township. No person shall on a Sunday discharge a gun, fowling piece or other firearm within the limits of the township.

Any person guilty of an infraction of the by-law upon conviction before a magistrate or justice of the peace will be liable to a penalty of \$100, together with the costs of prosecution, or in default of payment shall be liable to 30 days' imprisonment.

Leaky Roofs Repaired by Newton & Greer Co., 1326 Wharf street, makers of "Nag" composition.

CITY OF VICTORIA

A complete list of Local Improvement Works, authorized by By-Law, from time to time, will be found posted on the Bulletin Board at the main entrance to the City Hall.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to:

1. To grade, drain and pave with an asphaltic pavement, Manchester road, from the Gorge road to the Burnside road, and lay all lateral connections to sewers, surface drains and water mains;
2. To grade, drain and pave with an asphaltic pavement Cecilia road, from Manchester road to Washington avenue, and construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said road, with curbs and gutters, also lateral connections to sewers, surface drains and water mains;
2. To grade, drain and pave with an asphaltic pavement Graham street, from Hillside avenue to Summit avenue, and construct curbs and gutters on both sides of said street, also lateral connections to sewers, surface drains and water mains, and remove poles, if necessary;
4. To grade, drain and pave with an asphaltic pavement Prior street, from Hillside avenue to Summit avenue, and construct curbs and gutters on both sides of said street, also lateral connections to sewers, surface drains and water mains, and remove poles, if necessary;
5. To grade, drain and pave Stanley avenue, between Pandora avenue and Pembroke street, and construct permanent sidewalks, with curbs and gutters on both sides of said avenue, also lateral connections to sewers, surface drains and water mains, and remove poles, if necessary;
6. To light Courtney street from Douglas street to Quadra street, by means of electric light columns bearing cluster lights, and to construct the necessary conduits for carrying wires underground;
7. To light Broughton street, from Douglas street to Quadra street, by means of electric light columns bearing branch

lights, and to construct the necessary conduits for carrying wires underground. And that 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 this 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 work, 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 determine by-law in that behalf regulate and determine.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk's Office, Dec. 5th, 1911.

Auto Required

Sealed tenders will be received up to 3 p.m. on Friday, the 22nd inst, for an Auto for the use of the Police Department, to be made and delivered in accordance with the specifications, which can be seen and had at the Purchasing Agent's office, to whom tenders should be addressed. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent. City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 14th, 1911.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the City of Victoria intend to pass a local improvement assessment by-law for each of the undermentioned streets, assessing upon the properties in the schedules hereinafter mentioned the sums of money for the length of time set opposite each said lot as follows:

Oak Bay Avenue, from Fort Street to Foul Bay Road. Expropriation of Property. Construction of permanent sidewalks, grading, draining and tar macadamizing roadway. Construction of sewer laterals.

NAME OF OWNER	Sub-division	Lot	Block	Section	Feet Front	Rate per Foot Front	General Improvements	Sewer Connections	Ten Years An-		Total Ten
									Total	nual Paym't	nual Paym't
McDonald, John T.	1	4-8	Park	74	165.	\$7.10	\$1,171 50	\$1,171 50	\$144 50	\$1,445 00	
Gowen, Margaret and C. N.	22	21	K	"	50.	"	355 00	355 00	43 80	438 00	
Gowen, Margaret and C. N.	21	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	355 00	43 80	438 00	
McGregor, Peter C.	1	1 & J	"	"	55.4	"	392 90	\$21 29	414 19	511 00	
Mess, Bernard C.	2	"	"	"	55.5	"	392 90	"	48 55	485 50	
Agnew, Andrew	4	"	"	"	55.6	"	394 10	"	48 60	486 00	
Winterburn, William G.	5	"	"	"	27.8	"	196 40	"	24 20	242 00	
Winterburn, William G.	w. pt. 5	"	"	"	27.8	"	196 40	"	24 20	242 00	
Hand, Robert	6	"	"	"	58.4	"	414 20	"	51 10	511 00	
Hand, Robert	7	"	"	"	66.	"	468 60	"	57 80	575 00	
Riley, Hon. George	8	"	"	"	65.	"	461 50	"	56 90	569 00	
Riley, Hon. George	5	"	"	"	60.	"	428 00	"	52 55	525 50	
Challoner, Wm. L.	4	"	"	"	60.	"	428 00	"	52 55	525 50	
Challoner, Wm. L.	3	"	"	"	60.	"	428 00	"	52 55	525 50	
Bone, Mary Ann	1	"	"	"	64.8	\$ 13	\$96 50	"	48 90	489 00	
Wood, Thomas	2	"	"	"	64.8	"	\$96 50	"	48 90	489 00	
Walsh, Major John	1	2 & 3	"	"	47.	"	288 10	"	35 65	355 60	
Walsh, Major John	2	"	"	"	47.	"	288 10	"	35 65	355 60	
Cox, Salena	3	"	"	"	47.	"	288 10	"	35 65	355 60	
Cox, Salena	4	"	"	"	113.9	"	697 30	"	86 00	860 00	
O'Riddle, Amy F.	pt. A	4	"	"	113.9	"	697 30	"	86 00	860 00	
Mitchell, Geo. F. B. and Sturges L.	2	"	"	"	90.	"	551 70	21 29	672 99	706 50	
De Carteret, Eleanor	3	"	"	"	90.	"	551 70	"	68 05	630 50	
Calder, Annie	3	"	"	"	90.	"	551 70	"	68 05	630 50	
Cleveland, Eva P.	4	"	"	"	113.9	"	697 30	21 29	819 09	840 00	
Goldberg, Joseph	1	3	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Hall, John	2	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Leason, Dora	13	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Leason, Edward E.	14	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Hardwick, Margaret Ellen	25	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Jones, Simeon	26	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Anderson, E. H.	27	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Anderson, E. H.	28	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Anderson, E. H.	1	5	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Wise, Ernest S.	2	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Wise, Ernest S.	23	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Cameron, J. O.	24	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Cameron, J. O.	25	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Gravlin, H. Thomas	25	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	21 29	389 09	480 00	
Wilson, Alex.	48	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Taylor, J. G. (Est.)	47	"	"	"	60.	"	367 80	"	45 25	453 50	
Tait, Alex. G.	49	"	"	"	50.	"	306 50	"	37 80	378 00	
Pemberton, F. B.	w. pt. 50	"	"	"	30.9	"	188 45	"	23 25	232 50	
McDonald, Nell	w. pt. 50	"	"	"	57.3	"	350 90	21 29	372 19	459 00	
McLaughlin, Hannah E.	11	"	7-8 Fernwood	57.3	"	"	350 90	21 29	372 19	459 00	
McLaughlin, Hannah E.	12	"	"	"	57.3	"	350 90	"	42 70	427 00	
Lindley, Maggie	13	"	"	"	57.3	"	350 90	"	42 70	427 00	
Femberton, F. B.	14	"	"	"	56.9	"	344 35	"	42 70	427 00	
Allott, Elizabeth	11	"	"	"	56.9	"	344 35	21 29	365 64	453 50	
Walkinson, Alfred J.	18	"	"	"	56.9	"	344 35	"	42 70	427 00	
Walkinson, Alfred J.	14	"	"	"	56.9	"	344 35	"	42 70	427 00	
Macintosh, George W.	11	"	"	"	56.9	"	344 35	"	42 70	427 00	
Market, Joseph	12	"	"	"	23.9	"	206 90	"	25 50	255 00	
Nobbs, Francis John	e. pt. 13	"	"	"	33.9	"	206 90	21 29	228 19	281 50	
Noller, William	w. pt. 13	"	"	"	67.4	"	413 75	"	51 05	510 50	
Morry, Henry W.	14	"	"	"	134.	"	821 40	42 58	863 98	1,065 50	
Dobson, Nathaniel W.	1	6	"	"	44.	"	269 70	"	33 25	322 50	
Stoddart, Sarah A.	2	"	"	"	44.	"	269 70	"	33 25	322 50	
Stoddart, Sarah A.	3	"	"	"	44.	"	269 70	"	33 25	322 50	
Stoddart, Sarah A.	4	"	"	"	44.	"	269 70	21 29	290 99	360 00	
Darling, John C. and Lena	5	"	"	"	44.	"	269 70	21 29	290 99	360 00	
Slator, Thomas H.	6	"	"	"	44.	"	269 70	"	36 00	360 00	
Rannard, Charles E.	7	4-5-14-15	"	"	135.	"	827 55	"	102 05	1,020 50	
Clark, James S.	8	"	"	"	46.3	"	283 50	"	34 95	349 50	
Phillips Jessie M.	e. pt. 52-3	"	"	"	46.3	"	283 50	"	34 95	349 50	
Phillips Jessie M.	w. pt. 52-3	"	"	"	42.8	"	260 50	"	32 15	321 50	
MacCartet Eleanor	w. pt. 53	"	"	"	135.	"	827 55	"	102 05	1,020 50	
Rich, Mrs. T. M.	34	"	"	"	135.	"	827 55	21 29	848 84	1,047 00	
Walker, Walter	18	"	"	"	135.	"	827 55	"	102 05	1,020 50	
Wollaston, Alice M.	21	2 & 2	"	"	135.	"	827 55	"	102 05	1,020 50	
Elliot, Victor A. G.	20	"	"	"	135.	7.10	958 50	"	118 20	1,152 00	
Smith, Edgar and George F.	19	"	"	"	135.	"	958 50	"	118 20	1,152 00	
Nivin, Fred C.	22	1	"	"	120.	"	852 00	21 29	873 29	1,070 00	
Leiser, Max and Campbell A.	27	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	21 29	376 29	464 00	
Leiser, Max and Campbell A.	28	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	21 29	376 29	464 00	
Leiser, Max and Campbell A.	29	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	"	46 40	464 00	
Leiser, Max and Campbell A.	30	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	21 29	376 29	464 00	
Smith, Susan A. B.	31	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	21 29	376 29	464 00	
Leiser, Max	32	"	"	"	50.	"	355 00	"	46 40	464 00	
MacDonald, J. T.	pt. 1	"	Fernwood	49.	"	"	284 00	"	35 05	350 50	
Gore, T. S.	pt										

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 Woodlawn Cres. 5-room house, \$5,500
 Monterey ave. 9-room house, \$5,000
 Howard ave. 6-room house, \$3,200

LOCAL NEWS

Young People's Social.—The Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will hold a social evening in the lecture room of the church this evening at eight o'clock. All young people are cordially invited.

Lumbermen Meet.—There was a meeting of the executive of the British Columbia Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers' Association this morning in their offices in the board of trade building, when several matters of routine business were transacted.

Court of Revision.—The court of revision on the civic voters' list will resume its sessions to-morrow, when it is the intention of the court to hear the explanations of the four or five gentlemen who signed declarations under the act for householders without being apparently entitled to do so.

Building Permits.—Building permits have been granted J. Morrison for O. E. Nyland, for a five-room dwelling house on Fullerton avenue for \$1950, and to the Victoria Building and In-

vestment Company for two dwelling houses on Leonard street, one costing \$2750 and the other \$3,000.

School Board.—A special meeting of the school board will be held on Wednesday to appoint five teachers for next term. A number of applications are before the board, which will be duly considered. A number of other matters will come up, as it will be the last meeting before the board goes out of office.

Furnishing New Fire Halls.—Fire Chief Davis is in accordance with the report adopted at a recent meeting of the city council, furnishing the two new halls at Fairford and Fernwood roads, and the customary combination hose and chemical wagon will be installed in each case, with three men in charge. The halls were taken over on Saturday.

Sues Creamery Company.—Judge Lamman is hearing a dispute this afternoon between Charles Hunt, formerly an employee of the Victoria Creamery Company, claiming from the company \$70. He alleges wrongful dismissal and the breaking of an employment contract. The defence claims that Hunt did not work according to instructions and was therefore of no further assistance to the company.

J. H. Baker a Candidate.—Many requests having been made to him that he should run for aldermanic honors, J. H. Baker to-day announced his candidature at the next municipal election in Ward 4. The present aldermen in Ward 4 are W. C. Moresby and H. M. Fullerton. Mr. Baker says he believes from the support promised him by his friends he will be able to give the holders of office a good, hard run for the honors.

Development League.—The commencement of a train service to Alberni has roused great interest in the district, and the Vancouver Island De-

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velopment League is receiving many inquiries on the matter, both locally and from the prairies. Among requests for information is one from South Africa, and another from New Zealand. The latter is from a farmer on the fertile Canterbury plains of the South Island, who thinks of settling in British Columbia.

McNamara Case.—At the next meeting of the Trades and Labor Council a resolution dealing with the McNamara trial will probably be moved, in view of the support given by local unionists to the defence fund, and the unions will officially disassociate themselves from the campaign of violence which has been inaugurated by certain arch-revolutionary sections of organized labor.

S. S. Graded Union.—The Sunday school graded union will meet in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. There will be half an hour given to model teacher training after which the lesson for next Sunday will be taught in the different grades. To responsible teachers who are looking for best results in their classes these meetings are very helpful. Every Sunday school worker in the city is cordially invited to attend.

A Basement Suit.—Claiming that he had done work to the value of \$140 in connection with a concrete basement, J. Sutherland, a concrete worker, this morning sued A. E. Banister in the county court to recover that amount. The defendant, however, held that the work done was worth \$3, and paid that amount into court. Judge Lamman gave judgment for the plaintiff for the amount of \$3 paid into court, and ordered costs against the plaintiff. This evidence disclosed that Sutherland had done some work but had not been authorized to do it, and had gone to the house without having been authorized.

Worship in Darkness.—The evening services in the city churches had just about got well started last evening when out went the lights after a short period of indecision as to what they would do. There was a scurrying for lamps and candles in the churches where gas was not available, but after ten minutes the power came on again. A break in the transmission line from Jordan river was the cause of the failure and it took some time to get the switch over to the old source of power from Goldstream. Dwelling houses were in the same predicament as the churches, of course, but the lack of light was not so serious. In most of the churches the organists played voluntarily until the lights were obtained.

Concert at the Labor Hall.—Under the auspices of the Victoria branch of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters a concert was given at the Labor hall on Saturday. Brother Downes presided, and the catering was conducted by Mr. Crowl. A number of speeches were made. H. J. Shen replying for No. 1, Amalgamated Society of Carpenters, and Mr. Wells for the other branch. Mr. Scott, a representative of the Western Federation of Miners, spoke, and Delegate F. Webb, in responding for the United Brotherhood and Building Trades Council, urged the necessity of men holding together, and not displacing men in the allied trades, as for instance it had been necessary to withdraw men from a recent building owing to carpenters interfering on the work of the sheet metal workers. A number of songs and variety turns occupied the evening.

SOOKE LAKE TENDERS.

Commissioner Will Announce to City Council To-morrow How Big Contract Will Be Placed.

The water commissioner will report to the city council to-morrow evening the placing of the contracts for the Sooke Lake water supply, which are left to him by the by-law to decide, the bids having been tabulated since they were opened on Friday. As the eleven firms which submitted tenders for part or the whole of the contract represent some of the most influential businesses on the Pacific coast, great interest is taken in the letting of the tender.

There is not expected to be a large amount of business for consideration at that meeting, unless there are developments in the meantime, but one report which is expected, and is still not available, is that of the B. C. E. R. holding up the paving work on Government street north. Its receipt has been postponed from time to time.

The report on the civic centre scheme should be ready by that time, as well as the proposed new civic yard, the latter of which has been required for months past, and about which the only difference of opinion can be whether the money shall be taken from general revenue or provided by a by-law submitted for the purpose. The city could not reasonably expect citizens to keep stables in decent condition, setting the bad example it does at the present time.

There are seventeen divorce applications in for consideration at the present session of Parliament. The majority of the applicants are from Ontario. Ontario is no longer the Good, clean, Brockville Times.

CHARLES CULLIN NEW SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Well-Known Lacrosse Player in This City in Former Years—Latterly in North.

The race will be carried before Mr. Speaker Ebbitts by a new sergeant-at-arms hereafter, W. J. Saunders, who has been a very capable and efficient official in that capacity for the past few years, has resigned, the pressure of his business preventing his continuance in the office, and the provincial executive has appointed Charles Cullin to succeed him.

Mr. Cullin is well known here and his nomination for the honor will be learned with pleasure by his numerous friends. He was for a long time in the provincial police force, and was assigned to the somewhat strenuous district of the Skeena. Latterly he has been a road superintendent at Stewart. A part of the functions of the sergeant-at-arms which has fallen into desuetude in these piping times of peace is the removal of obstreperous members or visitors and their consignment to the tower—though it would puzzle a sergeant to know where to put a prisoner over the Bay. Should the occasion ever arise, or should the approaching visit of a militant suffragette inspire any local sisters to emulate the actions of those who break windows or hit ministers in the head with brass-bound boxes, Sergeant-at-arms Cullin will know how to deal with them. He is a fine athlete, and is remembered in Victoria in that connection. He was one of the best lacrosse players this city ever saw and his prowess has often been tested during his services in the north.

MINING MAN HERE FROM SALMON RIVER

President of Cascade Falls Company Expresses Confidence in New Field

On a brief visit to the city to attend a meeting of the directors is Charles Bunting, president of the Cascade Falls Mining Company, a company which owns five claims in the Salmon River district, Portland canal, a district where although only recently opened up, the prospects Mr. Bunting says will render it one of the finest silver-lead positions on the continent. The field has several exceptional advantages, and although it is necessary to pass through Alaskan territory to reach it from Portland City, the claims so far worked are on British Columbia territory. The trail which serves the present camp is to be replaced by the end of next year by a railway, which will probably be electrically driven as the country abounds in natural water power, which can be easily adapted for electrical generation. American capitalists are so assured of the permanent character of the field that they are planning to switch over to the present camp is to be replaced by the end of next year by a railway, which will probably be electrically driven as the country abounds in natural water power, which can be easily adapted for electrical generation. American capitalists are so assured of the permanent character of the field that they are planning to switch over to the present camp is to be replaced by the end of next year by a railway, which will probably be electrically driven as the country abounds in natural water power, which can be easily adapted for electrical generation.

Three Labor Leaders Will Be Called Before Grand Jury.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—Olaf A. Tveitmo, A. E. Clancy and Eric B. Morton, three of the San Francisco labor leaders summoned to appear before the federal grand jury here in the dynamite conspiracy probe, arrived to-day, but only two went to the federal building. Tveitmo remained in seclusion at a hotel after having refused interviews on the trail. Clancy, whose appearance was delayed for more than a week by illness and who was said yesterday to be still in a precarious condition, was accompanied by a trained nurse.

SLACK WATER—ACTIVE PASS.

December, 1911.				
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VICE-PRESIDENT BOSWORTH.

Vice-President G. M. Bosworth, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and party, accompanied by A. C. Plimerfelt, of this city, arrived on the afternoon boat from Vancouver to-day.

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himself acquainted with the latest phases of development here. Mr. Bosworth's special reason for visiting Victoria at the present time is to look into some telegraphic appointments which have to be made on Vancouver Island.

SIX PERISH IN OTTAWA RIVER

Small Boat Capsizes During Storm and All Occupants Lose Lives

Rigaud, Que., Dec. 18.—Six men lost their lives here on Saturday night during a blinding snowstorm. The victims attempted to cross the Ottawa river on their way to Oka, when the small craft upset in the heavy seas and four of the men went down almost immediately. The other two clung on to the overturned boat, but were unable to retain their hold long enough for rescuers to reach them, and they also succumbed. The name of the victims are as yet unknown.

WILL AID STRIKERS ON HARRIMAN LINES

Union Leaders May Call Out Employees on Western Railways

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 18.—Leaders of four unions of railroad workers are scheduled to meet here to-night and to discuss the advisability of calling a strike on western roads in sympathy with the strike of the shompen and other workers of the Illinois Central and other Harriman roads.

DYNAMITE INQUIRY.

Three Labor Leaders Will Be Called Before Grand Jury.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—Olaf A. Tveitmo, A. E. Clancy and Eric B. Morton, three of the San Francisco labor leaders summoned to appear before the federal grand jury here in the dynamite conspiracy probe, arrived to-day, but only two went to the federal building. Tveitmo remained in seclusion at a hotel after having refused interviews on the trail. Clancy, whose appearance was delayed for more than a week by illness and who was said yesterday to be still in a precarious condition, was accompanied by a trained nurse.

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Ward One of Saanich Municipality Does Not Favor Proposed Boundaries' Extension

The residents of Cedar Hill, to the number of about two dozen, voted strongly against any arrangement with the city over the extension of school houses, at a meeting at the school-house on Saturday night, and carried without opposition a resolution moved by Mr. Miller, and seconded by Mr. Sear, that the time was not opportune for the extension, and therefore they would not appoint a committee to act with the other committees authorized at the Bolestin road meeting to conduct negotiations with the city. The speakers took the line that with amalgamation the assessments would inevitably go up, and they would be under no certainty of obtaining city advantages, cases being quoted in lack of facilities afforded residents of the vicinity who were taken in when the city extended its boundaries over twenty years ago.

The meeting was held to give the residents of ward one an opportunity to discuss the proposal, and Reeve Nicholson presided. Two of his colleagues on the South Saanich council, Councillors Borden and Grant, attended, and from the city were Aldermen Gleason and Okell.

The revee objected to the scheme for a greater Victoria for several reasons. The outside municipalities lacked data, or in fact any definite information, and the whole of the arguments at the previous meeting had failed to get to the essential details. They had no real information of what share of the city's obligations would be assumed, and they had no inclination to share in the general large indebtedness of the city. He could assure them that whatever private opinions the council members of Saanich had, they were guided by the opinion of the ratepayers of the several districts.

Alderman Okell then took the floor, and denied that the city intended to force the residents into amalgamation with the city. Their past arrangements with the Saanich council had always been satisfactory, and if the existing debt would have to be met by the outside municipalities, but they would look for them to take up their share in future loans for utilities. He contended that the powers necessary to handle sewerage, water, schools, and so on, which the residents required were already in the hands of the citizens, and therefore they could handle them more cheaply than Saanich. He answered the argument that more information was not available by saying that everything so far was tentative, and in order to get the opinion of residents, the series of meetings had been courteously arranged by the Saanich authority. The whole question was one of terms, and subject to a fair agreement. He also insisted on the healthier conditions which prevailed in the city than in the surrounding districts.

In reply to questions about the B. C. E. R. franchise, and the company, which was described by one questioner as a devil-fish whose tentacles they wished to extend to the surrounding districts, the Alderman said he believed they could make better terms acting for the whole peninsula than by disjointed efforts.

Alderman Gleason defended the city council against charges of pure selfishness in the extension scheme, declaring there would be advantages both ways. The local improvement plan had been of great advantage to the people who public work, and the carrying on wanted improvements got them, and paid for them.

The removal of the tax on improvements had enabled the city through the revision of the assessment to reduce the rate 2 1-4 mills for general purposes, and also grant 1 1-10 mills above the statutory allowance for

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Numerous questions were asked by the audience, the drift of which were to show that the real estate gamblers of the city would seize the occasion to boost prices, and there would be a general increase in assessment accordingly. The reference to members suggested to a resident of the section of South Saanich which desires to join Oak Bay that if the city would not allow the ponies to be run, there were a number of people here who must gamble, and so turned to real estate.

The questions all took the line that the results of absorption would not be to return the same privileges as the present opportunities afforded, and they preferred for the councillors of Saanich to secure legislation to supply improvements rather than enter the city to obtain them.

Councillor Borden, the ward representative, said they had already seen too much of splitting up the districts into small lots, and they had had an example of the failure of the city to carry out its undertakings in the market building, which was to aid the farmers, and had failed, through permitting the Chinese hawkers to undersell the white men.

Councillor Grant observed that the division of the municipality proposed would take away the better part of the assessment and population, and compel the remainder to carry on its business at the same cost as today.

After sundry criticism of the council for its unsatisfactory methods of conducting business, and subservience to corporations, the motion mentioned above was put and carried without a dissentient.

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