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HIS LAST TRIP.

Capt. Mackay Will Retire From Active Service on Arrival of Lucania at Liverpool.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 14.—The Lucania sailed for Liverpool to-day on her last voyage as her Christmas trip. She carried a large number of passengers on their way home to England to spend the holidays. This was Captain Horatio Mackay's last sailing from New York as commander of the Lucania. He is to retire from active service on his arrival in Liverpool.

Capt. Mackay has forty-six testimonials and a dozen medals which have been presented to him at different times for acts of bravery. One incident which brought the captain two medals several years ago when he stood three days alongside of a leaky Norwegian steamer to save a crew of twelve men.

FIERCE BLIZZARDS IN TEXAS AND WYOMING

Several More Herders Reported Dead—Loss of Stock Cannot Yet Be Estimated.

(Associated Press.) Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 14.—The storm raging in the southern part of Wyoming for the past 8 hours shows no disposition to abate. The temperature is below zero, with a wind blowing that cuts to the marrow. Several herders have been killed in the effort to save their scattered bands of sheep. The loss of sheep in Red Desert cannot be estimated, as the flocks are scattered to the four winds.

Snow plows have been working at the most threatening points on the Union Pacific, and though the track has been kept open, trains are delayed six to seven hours. The stage between Snake River and Rawlins became lost last night, and for several hours the passengers had their feet so badly frozen that they were compelled to walk. One man had his feet so badly frozen that amputation was necessary. A snow slide occurred at the mine of Battle Lake near Battle Lake, and Coy creek, near Battle Lake, a cabin has been in the mountain side for thirty feet, but no one was seriously injured.

Loss Will Be Heavy. Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 14.—The blizzard prevailing over the Panhandle of Texas, will probably prove a disastrous one to the cattle men. There has been a long dry spell, and feed has been scarce and high, preventing any great amount of provision for the wintering of cattle. The entire section is covered with snow, and if it stays on the ground for any length of time the cattle not in prime condition will die by hundreds.

Frozen to Death. Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 14.—Wright Fisher and Dr. Dewitt Jerrard, of Vincennes, were frozen to death near Roseau, a few miles north of here last night.

The Cold Wave. Washington, Dec. 14.—The cold wave predicted by the weather bureau for the middle Mississippi and Missouri valleys and the upper half of the continent, spread to the eastward and southward as far as Chicago and St. Louis, at both of which places the temperature fell fifty-five degrees during the last twenty-four hours, reaching 6 degrees below zero at Chicago, and zero at St. Louis. The front of the cold wave this morning extends from Northern Illinois southward to Arkansas.

Man Found Dead. Milwaukee, Dec. 14.—Five degrees below zero is the record of weather in Milwaukee to-day. This is a fall of 43 degrees in the past 48 hours. An unknown man was found frozen to death in the public school yard at Wauwatosa, a suburb of Milwaukee, to-day. The body was thinly clad, and it is supposed the man succumbed while seeking shelter.

FIRE AT ST. JOHN. (Associated Press.) St. John, N. B., Dec. 14.—Fire at an early hour this morning did damage to the extent of \$10,000 to the stock of F. P. Williams, pork packer.

FAST MAIL SERVICE TO THE DOMINION

AN AGREEMENT WILL SHORTLY BE REACHED

Special Facilities to Be Provided for Canadian Produce—Colonials as Officers of Navy.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 14.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says it is stated that an important agreement will shortly be arrived at in connection with the proposed fast mail service to Canada.

Correspondence is now proceeding between the Dominion authorities and the colonial provinces for the home market. It is understood that the long-standing difficulty as to the proportion of the subsidy to be borne by the Imperial government will be disposed of by the Dominion government contributing upon condition that the contractor will give special facilities for carrying Canadian dairy and other produce for the home market.

The admiralty authorities are being urged to make an effort to secure the services of Canadian and Australian officers for the King's navy, so that the consciousness that the navy is an Imperial service should be fostered, says a dispatch to the Tribune from London.

It is reported that the position of the navy in the Mediterranean happened to be an Australian, and the general commanding the future North Sea squadron a Canadian.

EXTRADITED.

Hoepfner on His Way to States to Answer Charges of Defalcation and Forgery.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 14.—The Cunard steamer Campania, which sails from Liverpool for New York to-day, has on her passenger list the name of Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the actress, and David New, Detective Sergeant McCaffery, of New York, having in charge Wm. Hoepfner, whose extradition was granted by the Argentine Republic at the request of the United States government on charges of defalcation and forgery, is also among the passengers. Hoepfner has been in England. He has been treated as a prisoner awaiting trial. He was in and in abject misery and without money when arrested in Buenos Ayres, but he is now improved. He said he had had a hard luck, but the game was up and his future troubles could not be worse than those he had already experienced.

CAPITALIST DEAD.

D. P. Thompson, a Pioneer of Oregon, Passed Away To-day.

(Associated Press.) Portland, Ore., Dec. 14.—David P. Thompson, a well known capitalist and ex-United States minister to Turkey, died early this morning. Mr. Thompson was born in Ohio in 1824. He came to Oregon in 1853, walking every step of the way across the continent. In 1874 he was appointed governor of Oregon, and in 1883, walking every step of the way across the continent, he was appointed minister to Turkey. During the early 90's Mr. Thompson was president of 17 national banks in the Northwest at one time.

LIBERALS IN SESSION.

Meeting of Executive of Provincial Association is Being Held To-day.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 14.—The executive of the Provincial Liberal Association met in O'Brien's hall at 2 p. m. to-day. The meeting will consider and decide the question of a provincial convention of the party in January or February. There is understood to be a general demand by the local Liberal associations throughout the province for a convention, at which to fight the party line question will be decided and possibly a platform adopted. The executive is still in session.

REMAINS ON THE BENCH.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 14.—A big delegation in the city to-day asking that an English speaking judge be appointed in the place of Justice Wurtle, in Montreal, who was to be made chairman of the commission to revise the Dominion statutes. Sir Wilfrid Laurier told the delegation that there was no vacancy, and none contemplated at present. This means that Justice Wurtle will remain on the bench.

DEPEW ENTERTAINED.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 14.—A score of the life-long friends of Chauncey Depew last night tendered the United States senator a dinner at the Union League Club just previous to his departure for Europe, where he goes on the Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse to wed Miss Palmer.

SOCIALIST PROFESSOR.

French Minister Tells of the Charges Against M. Herve.

(Associated Press.) Paris, Dec. 14.—In the discussion in the chamber of deputies yesterday regarding the case of the socialist, Prof. Herve, who was removed from the chair of history in the College of Sons because of his virile anti-military articles, M. Leygues, minister of public instruction, said the superior council on appeal had annulled the previous decision on account of the communication, without the knowledge of the defense, of certain documents unfavorable to M. Herve to the academic council of Dijon, by which the professor was tried, and had retired.

M. Leygues further said the anti-military doctrines which M. Herve held were incompatible with his position as a professor, and that M. Herve was not a fit person to instruct the youth in the military glories of France. M. Leygues concluded by asserting that M. Herve wished to plant the red flag in a manure heap, demanding his removal and declaring that there would be an end to France if anti-military professors imitated M. Herve. The minister's remarks were received with prolonged cheers.

M. Viviani protested against M. Leygues's reply, but the chamber voted the simple order of the day as asked by the minister by 385 to 80.

ANOTHER HAUL BY BRUCE HAMILTON

SURPRISED LAAGER AND CAUGHT BOERS

Sixteen of the Burchers Were Killed—One of Benson's Guns Was Recaptured.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 14.—Reporting to the war office from Pretoria, on the date yesterday, Lord Kitchener says: "Bruce Hamilton, after a long night march, surprised Piet Viljoen's laager at dawn on December 13th at Witkwaans, 25 miles northwest of Ermelo, killed sixteen Boers and captured 76 armed prisoners. Many others were wounded and were left at farms.

"He also recaptured one of Benson's guns, the other being destroyed. Two field cornets are among the prisoners. The recaptured gun was captured by a party of state for war, wired the government's congratulatory telegram to Bruce Hamilton's brilliant achievement.

Deaths in the Camp. London, Dec. 14.—The delay in the publication of the returns from the concentration camps for October and November, issued to-day, apparently due to the government's desire to keep the announcement of the pitifully high death rate with some kind of official reserve, shows 3,156 deaths of whites in October, of which number 2,633 were children, and 2,807 deaths of whites in November, of which 2,271 were children. This makes the total number of deaths for the last six months 13,941, or a death rate approximately 250 per year per 1,000. The colored persons who died were 1,308 in two months.

Offer of More Troops. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The Dominion government has offered to the Imperial authorities two additional squadrons to go along with the Mounted Rifle to South Africa. This will make 900 instead of 600, as already arranged for. It is thought Britain will accept.

IMPERIAL POLITICS.

Rumors That Rosebery Will Form New Party—Ex-Premier to Speak on Monday.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 14.—The most talked-of man in England to-day is Lord Rosebery. The Saturday Review says, "castly." "The whole world seems to be in a state of suspended animation in expectation of Lord Rosebery's speech on Monday." Chesterfield is filling up with special correspondents who send long dispatches describing the ferment and local excitement. In fact, quiet, little Chesterfield is beginning to resemble Rennes on the eve of the Dreyfus trial.

Thousands of applications for seats are to be refused. The intense interest throughout the country could scarcely be awakened by any other figure in England's recent political history. None seem to have the faintest idea of what Lord Rosebery is likely to say. His cryptic forecast of his intentions has gradually raised public curiosity to a fever pitch, and if he only intends to gratify this by middle road announcements he stands in great danger of forever shattering what reputation he has for serious purpose.

The Standard point out, "his declaration of willingness to lead the Imperial Liberals would not bring him more supporters than could all the cabinet officers."

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Liberal leader in the House of Commons, controls the rank and file and the party organization. All kinds of rumors are rife, the likeliest of which may be mentioned. It is the Lord Rosebery tradition at least laying the foundation of a new party which will have himself, Sir Edward Grey, Mr. Herbert Asquith and Sir Henry H. Fowler as its shining stars. If the ex-premier continues his "lone furrow" attitude, the Chesterfield meeting will be one of the huge jokers ever perpetrated on any country.

HOUSEHOLD GOAL

Smallpox Being Kept in Check

DR. FAGAN RETURNS FROM UPPER COUNTRY

Epidemic in the Railway Construction Gang Near Grand Forks—Eighty Men Sent to Washington.

Dr. Fagan, secretary of the provincial board of health, has returned from a trip to the upper country for the purpose of looking into the condition there in regard to smallpox. He found in most of the districts a sharp lookout being maintained, and such cases as have developed have been isolated and are progressing favorably.

At Rossland there are two cases, both doing well. At Phoenix one case has developed in one of the mines, and the doctor found it necessary to isolate 147 men. These have been taken to another part of the workings, and kept at work in the underground, and the quarantined men have been detached by section by themselves, and will be kept under surveillance until the disease has had time to develop.

On the construction gang of the Republic and Grand Forks line a case has also developed, and in this instance the eighty odd men who had been exposed to contagion were dispatched back across the boundary line whence they came. All through the districts he visited the doctor found that the disease had been introduced from Washington state, where the greatest laxity is allowed in connection with the epidemic.

There are two cases in the Crow's Nest Pass, one at Marysville, and the other at Kimberley, but both are doing well. The doctor confirms the apprehension felt as mentioned in the Times regarding the development of the disease during the coming summer. The type is becoming more virulent and the authorities south of the border exercise as little caution as ever in checking the propagation of the disease. The British Columbia officials in this year will be required to redouble their vigilance along the border in order to protect the towns and camps of this province.

PROPOSED RAILWAY.

United Goldfields of British Columbia Applying For a Charter.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Applications will be made at the next session of parliament for an act empowering the United Goldfields of British Columbia, incorporated under the Companies Act, to be a foreign company in the Northwest Territories of Canada, to equip, operate and maintain a line of standard gauge for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, merchandise and other motive power, commencing at a point on the Crow's Nest railway, at or near Frank, in section thirty-one (31), township seven, range four, at west of the fifth meridian in the Northwest Territories of Canada, thence in a northerly direction, thence through townships seven and eight, to Grand Mountain, in said township eight.

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At Nelson—George A. Macleod; Thos. Parkes.

THE BRIDGE PLANS.

Those for Fraser River Structure Released Yesterday—Local Engineer's Plans Still in Custody.

The plans of the Fraser river bridge, which were seized by the customs pending the payment of duty on them, were released yesterday by the strength of a de-ctor. The matter has been referred to Ottawa, where the amount of duty will be definitely computed, and if it be found that the sum received is excessive, the difference will be refunded. The customs department was not exactly satisfactory to the mind was not exactly satisfactory to the mind on the basis of which the duty was to be charged, was only \$100. The collector had been made for the designer's skill, labor and experience, and that when this was taken into account the figure would be vastly larger.

In arriving at a charge, however, the customs were compelled to base their estimate of the cost of producing the plans on a certain percentage of the cost of the construction of the work. Instead of two and a half per cent, they calculated the rate considerably less, making allowance for the fact that some of the work must have been accomplished here and consequently not dutiable. They also figured on a presumed minimum cost of \$100,000. On this the regular rate of 2 1/2 per cent would have yielded \$2,500.

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DELEGATES CONFER WITH C. P. R. OFFICIALS

Repairs to H.M.S. Indefatigable Cost \$135,000—Workman Boiled to Death at Whitty.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—A committee representing the Canadian Pacific railway locomotive engineers has been in conference with the officials of the transportation department for the last few days, discussing the question of the schedule rates of engineers on branch lines.

A movement is on foot among telegraph operators which aims at the equalization of wages paid by the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk, and a general advance in remuneration of this class of employees all over Canada.

It is not selling out. Whitty to-day emphatically denied that he is selling out his interests in either the Dominion Coal or Dominion Steel Companies.

Quebec, Dec. 13.—A special on the Intercolonial with Ontario and Montreal men for the Mounted Rifles on board, reached Lewis at 3.40 this afternoon.

Horrible Death. Whitty, Ont., Dec. 13.—Isaac Edwards, an employee of King Bros. tannery, was missed this morning, and his body was found later in a vat of boiling water in the upper story, far from the place where he worked.

Halifax, Dec. 13.—H. M. S. Indefatigable, which has been undergoing repairs in the dry dock here, will be completed next week. The repairs will cost \$135,000.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—As Mrs. Dalton McCarthy alighted from the belt car at Sussex avenue, last night, a man grabbed her arm and snatched away her muff, which contained her purse. The microdot bolted down a nearby lane and got away.

Bank of Commerce. The Canadian Bank of Commerce issued its general statement to-day, covering six months to November 30th.

San Jose, Costa Rica, Dec. 4.—The Republic of Costa Rica has for a few years past been sinking into poverty and to-day misery stares the citizens in the face.

REVENUE CUTTERS LEAVE IN SEARCH

U. S. VESSELS LOOKING FOR THE MATTEAWAN

Torpedo Destroyers Being Strengthened In Consequence of Accident to the Cobra and Others.

A very vigorous and thorough search along the coast between the island of San Francisco and the island of Cape Horn, was instituted for the missing collier, Matteawan.

The Manzanita proceeded to Destruction Island after returning to the mainland from Victoria yesterday, for it is thought that if the crew of the collier escaped, Second Mate E. C. Wilson, who was formerly on the cutter and is well acquainted with the shore line, would be sure to have made for there.

According to a Seattle dispatch "the United States lightship tender, Manzanita left yesterday afternoon for Destruction Island, where it is thought the shipwrecked crew of the collier, Matteawan is awaiting rescue."

The majority report condemns Admiral Schley on 11 points, while Admiral Dewey sustains him in most particulars. The majority opinion finds in favor of Admiral Schley, but it proceeded with the utmost dispatch to Cienfuegos, and maintained a close blockade; that he should have endeavored to have obtained information of the Spanish squadron there; that he should not have made the retrograde movement; that he should have ordered the dispatch of his vessels to capture the Spanish vessels in Santiago; that he did not do his utmost to destroy the Colon; that he caused the Texas to back; that he had neglected to inform the British of his conduct in the campaign; that his reports on the coast were misleading and inaccurate; that his conduct during the battle was self-possessed, and that he encouraged in his own person his subordinates.

Admiral Dewey in his report says that the passage to Cienfuegos was made with all dispatch; that in view of his conduct he considered the blockade of Cienfuegos effective; that he allowed the Adula to enter Cienfuegos to get information; that his passage to Santiago was made with all dispatch as possible, keeping the squadron together; that the blockade of San Juan was effective and, finally, that he was the senior officer of the fleet, in absolute command, and entitled to the credit due for the victory which resulted in the total destruction of the Spanish ships.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it does not cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

Ship Elizabeth Nicholson, from Shanghai for Vancouver under charter to load lumber at Hastings, arrived yesterday after a most successful voyage, and her passage to the Cape in thirty-two days.

BLAKELEY STILL PREPARING. No definite date has yet been fixed for the sailing of the treasure hunting ship Blakeley, which is still being made ready for the trip to Eocoo Island, having been hauled on Turpe's ways to-day.

That Goes Back to our Forefather in the Garden of Eden. Did Adam Suffer From Indigestion? His Descendants do. But They Have Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets with which to cure themselves.

THE TORPEDO DESTROYERS. Work has commenced in Esquimalt on the torpedo destroyers Sparrowhawk and Virago towards strengthening them and preventing the repetition of such an accident as happened to the Cobra and other craft of His Majesty's fleet.

OVERLOADING COLLIERIES. Considerable comment was heard this morning in shipping circles on the overloading of coal ships. On all British steamers there is a Plimsoll mark on the side of the vessel to determine the amount of cargo they shall carry in winter, as also in the summer time.

HALF OUR ILLS ARE CATARRHAL IN NATURE.

Catarrhal Diseases are Most Prevalent in Winter.

IS THERE NO WAY OF ESCAPE FROM THEM?

Pe-ru-na Never Fails to Cure Catarrh Wherever Located.

There are some things which are as sure as fate, and can be relied on to occur to at least one-half of the human family unless means are taken to prevent.

First, the climate of winter is sure to bring colds.

Second, colds not promptly cured are sure to cause catarrh.

Third, catarrh improperly treated is sure to make life short and miserable.

Catarrh spates no organ or function of the body. It is capable of destroying sight, taste, smell, hearing, digestion, secretion, assimilation and excretion.

It pervades every part of the human body, head, throat, stomach, bowels, bronchial tubes, lungs, liver, kidneys, bladder and other pelvic organs.

That Peruna cures catarrh wherever located is attested by the following testimonials sent entirely unsolicited to Dr. Hartman by grateful men and women who have been cured by Peruna:

Catarrh of the Head. Mr. D. R. Ramsey writes in a recent letter from Pine Bluff, Ark., the following: "Several things lead me to believe that I am cured of my catarrh of the head."

Catarrh of the Nose. Mr. Herman Ehke, 922 Orchard street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes: "I am entirely cured of my catarrh of the nose by your Peruna. My case was a severe one."

Catarrh of the Throat. B. H. Runyan, Salesville, O., writes: "I suffered with catarrh of the throat for five years. I was induced to try Peruna. I have used five bottles and am perfectly well."

Catarrh of the Bowels. Mr. Archie Godin, 188 Beech street, Fitchburg, Mass., writes: "Peruna has cured me of catarrh of the bowels. I feel better than I have for several years."

loading of a ship. It is not asserted that the Matteawan, which it appears now has gone to the bottom, was overloaded, but it is known that she carried a very heavy cargo, and it is said that she had no Plimsoll mark.

MARINE NOTES. Steamer City of Puebla is due from San Francisco this evening, and the Unitalia, of the same line, will be leaving for the Golden Gate to-morrow evening.

British ship Greta, after discharging coal cargo at Esquimalt, will be towed to New Westminster by the tug Lorne this evening, where she loads salmon for Europe.

Steamer Queen City sailed for West Coast ports last night. Among her passengers were: Miss Josephine Tilden, of the Port Renfrew botanical station, and Mrs. Tilden, S. McKenzie, of Alberni.

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Catarrh of the Lungs. Mrs. Emilie Kirckhoff, Ada, Minn., writes: "Through a violent cold contracted last winter, I became afflicted with catarrh of the nose, which in a short time affected my lungs. I took Peruna which cured me thoroughly. I now feel better than I have for forty years."

Catarrh of the Bladder. Mr. John Smith, 311 S. Third street, Atchison, Kan., writes: "I was troubled with catarrh of the urethra and bladder for two years. At the time I wrote to you I was under the care of my home doctor, and had been for four months."

Pelvic Catarrh. Miss Katie Lochman, Lafayette, Ind., writes: "I had pelvic catarrh, pain in the abdomen, back, had stomach trouble and headache caused by catarrh. I followed your directions: took Peruna and Manalin according to directions, and how happy I feel that I am relieved of such a distressing ailment."

Catarrh of the Kidneys. Peter J. Unger, Hawley, Pa., writes: "I think that I am perfectly cured of catarrh of the kidneys by Peruna, as I have no trouble of any kind."

Catarrh of the Stomach. A. W. Graves, of Hammond, Ind., writing to Dr. Hartman, says: "I am well of catarrh of the stomach after suffering two years. I have taken five bottles of Peruna and one of Manalin and I feel like a new man now."

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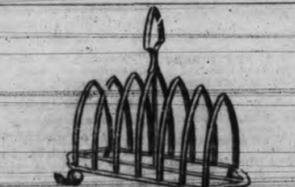
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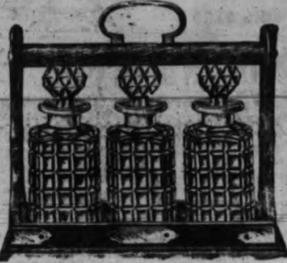
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W. M. Brewer Replies to R. E. Gosnell and Urges Active Steps in Acquiring Information.

A representative of the Times interviewed Wm. M. Brewer, M. P., relative to the position taken by R. E. Gosnell, secretary to the Premier, in a recent interview granted to the Times.

Mr. Brewer stated that he was very pleased to see that Mr. Gosnell attached so much importance to procuring statistics relative to the markets of the Orient for the products of British Columbia, especially copper, lead, silver, iron, steel, paper, pulp, etc.

"It is a move in the right direction," he said, "and the fact that at present the shipping facilities are against us is a discovery well worth knowing, because 'forewarned is forearmed,' and the provincial government can now make proper representations to the Dominion government on the subject with a view to subsidizing ship building or encouraging the industry on the Pacific Coast."

Mr. Gosnell, while of serious moment, need not, in my opinion, hinder the compiling of such statistics as are necessary to inform capitalists with regard to the demands of that market, because that stumbling block can be removed if it is ascertained that the markets are substantially as important as is generally supposed.

"That they are so, I have no doubt, in fact the press of the United States and San Francisco is continually calling attention to them. I doubt, though, if the people in Pacific Coast States are any better posted on them than those of British Columbia."

idea of danger from competition with the Alabama furnaces, but to-day the prospect of the latter not only compete successfully with the product of Pennsylvania, but it was demonstrated when No. 1 foundry iron was selling at \$2.00 per ton that the Alabama iron would be exported to England, and sold at a profit while Pennsylvania iron of the same grade could not be. The difficulty with regard to shipping was one of the main adverse factors which the Alabama iron masters had to contend with. They fought a hard fight through, and won without any subsidies or help from the Federal government.

"I believe British Columbia can do the same, though of course it did not obtain from the Dominion so much the better. But what is of paramount importance is to ascertain the extent and demands of the markets across the Pacific, and whether those markets are the substantial realities the press states to be or mythical subjects useful only for attractive advertisements to encourage people to settle on the Pacific Coast."

SEPTIC TANK BY-LAW

Will Be Again Submitted to the Ratepayers on December 30th.

A special meeting of the city council was held last evening when the Septic Tank By-Law was reintroduced by Ald. Brydon and repassed. The date of its submission to the ratepayers was fixed for December 30th. This was in compliance with a petition bearing 324 signatures, the petitioners guaranteeing to bear the expense incurred should the by-law not carry.

THE TERM CLOSED.

Result of Examination and Commencement Exercises at the Collegiate School.

Last evening at the Collegiate school the closing exercises of that institution was held, there being a large attendance of friends of the school. Among those present were Sir Henri Joly and Bishop Perrin. An interesting programme was given, including the rendering of "Cool as a Cucumber," by the boys. The principal and Mrs. Laing entertained the visitors.

The prizes were as follows: The scholarship, open to the whole school, has been gained by Potts, with a percentage of 88, Jukes being second with 86, and Kerfoot 79, and Bell 78. Newcombe I. 77, Keefe and Dorrell 76. Sixth Form prize has been gained by Bell, Upper Fifth Form, Kerfoot; Lower Fifth Form, Jukes; Fourth Form, Belyea; Third Form, Blair; Upper Second Form, Spencer; Lower Second Form, Stoddart; First Form, Fletcher. Divinity prize for the Upper school, Keefe, with 99 per cent. Divinity prize for the Lower school, Stebbins II.; French prize,

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Such a diet could not be kept up long without fatal results. A lady in Jacksonville, Fla. was crippled by an accident two years ago. Being without the power of exercise, an old stomach trouble that was hers for years became worse, and it was a serious question regarding food that she could digest.

A physician put her on Grape-Nuts Breakfast Food with some remarkable results. She says now that not only is she able to do a big day's work, because of the strength of her brain and nerves, but that she has finally thrown away her crutches because the muscles of her limbs have gradually grown stronger since she began the use of Grape-Nuts, and now she is practically well and can go about without trouble, notwithstanding the fact that it was said she would never be able to walk again. So much for eating the "right kind of food" instead of remaining an invalid and a cripple because of the lack of knowledge of the kind of food to use to bring one back to health. Name given an application to Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

Keefe; map prizes, Dorrell and Pitts I.; arithmetic prize, Jukes, 80 per cent.; Harrison I., (second) 50 per cent. Moral conduct prize for the Upper school has been awarded by the boys themselves to Kerfoot; moral conduct prize for the Junior school, to Stoddart; recitation prize for the Upper school, has been awarded to Armitage I.; recitation prize for the Lower school, to Armitage II.; spelling prize has been gained by Keefe; Newcombe II., being second; music prize has been awarded to Kay. A first prize was awarded to Dorrell for pencil drawing at the provincial exhibition, held in October last, and a diploma was given to Kay for a drawing in monochrome.

J. W. Laing, head master, submitted the following report:

To the Visitor of the School:

My Lord:—I have the honor to submit the report of the school during the past year.

Our numbers continue steadily to increase, the roll call this term being 44. I am thankful to report that the last three terms as regards work have been satisfactory. The order of marking studies is owing partly to the thorough ventilation of the school rooms at all times, and not a little to the system of compulsory study, and are doing good work. The Rev. W. D. Barber, M. A., who has examined the Upper school in all subjects, while the examination of the Lower school has been undertaken by the school staff, each master taking a class which he has not instructed during the term.

I am pleased to report a sound, moral tone, and thoroughly good discipline throughout the school. Thoroughness is our aim, and we insist upon a boy having a clear understanding of the work in his term before he is promoted to a higher one. The verdict of a most successful head master in England, the Rev. Mr. Haven, of Beccles grammar school, in Suffolk, on his being shown our examination papers of last summer, was, that an exceedingly high standard in everything except Latin grammar was maintained for the boys of this school.

Three old boys, Hanington I. and II. and Dart I., are now at McGill university, and are doing good work. Harold Hamersley is at the Royal Military college at Kingston, and in a letter which I received lately from Col. Reade, the commandant, he wished that I could send him some other boys. Dart II., who was with us, has gone home to pass his examination as a naval cadet, while the two Costabales have passed with great credit all their examinations in London, qualifying for the degree of Bachelor of Medicine.

Our system of encouraging manly sports as part of the education of our boys is producing excellent results, and we have held our own against older and stronger teams. Our junior boys give good records for next season in both games, and anyone who has witnessed the recent football will endorse this remark. It may be as well to state here that one of the difficulties in our work is the grouping of boys in classes. A boy joins the school qualified to do the work of a particular form in all its branches of Latin, French and mathematics. This necessitates his being placed in a junior form for these particular subjects, and as a consequence his term's marks seem unsatisfactory in comparison with those of the boys in whose form his name appears. A would-be parent should call the attention of parents to this fact, that the greatest advantage to the boy is to enter the school at an age

which, by God's blessing, is in such a prosperous condition.

The report of Examiner Rev. W. D. Barber, M. A., was as follows:

Classical and Modern Languages.

Latin.—In this subject five boys obtained first-class marks. Potts 84, Keefe 79, in the sixth, and Kerfoot 84, Jukes 78, Armitage I. 75, in the fifth forms. The translations were rendered with clear flowing English. Good marks were made in prose. There were no failures in this subject in the higher forms. In the fourth Spencer leads the list, 81. Two boys failed.

French.—Keefe comes first, 85; all the higher forms boys are placed in Class. Jukes 87, and Dorrell 76, did excellent work in the fifth form. I must congratulate the form master on the mastery of very difficult French idioms shown in the translations from Sainte Beuve. In the lower forms, the boys, Spencer I., and Pitts I., did good work.

Mathematics.

Algebra.—Potts 95, Bell 93, Jukes 80, Harrison I. 83, did the best work in the fifth form, obtained more than 90 per cent. in the lower division, where many boys showed weakness in this subject.

Potts 90, Newcombe I. 87, Jukes 84, Bell 82. In the fifth, Armitage obtained 79 marks.

Arithmetic.—Jukes did a most excellent paper in this subject, obtained full marks, 100. Newcombe I. 98, Harrison I. 91, Bell 90. All deserve special mention in the higher, and Potts 95, Holden 90, in the lower forms. The general average in this subject was poor, several boys failing to get in the third class.

English Subjects.

Spelling.—Belyea obtained full marks, 100, followed by Armitage I., 98 marks.

Dictation.—Twelve boys in the upper forms obtained more than 90 per cent. Potts 95, Bell 92, in the sixth, Newcombe I. 94, Armitage 90, in the fifth, and Spencer 88, Belyea 86, Harrison II. 84, in the fourth, should be specially mentioned. The lowest mark obtained was 60.

Essay.—The best and most original essay was by Potts, 60, "On a Walk to Esquimaux." This examination has afforded me a good opportunity to test the intelligence as well as the general knowledge of the boys. The work done was generally correct, the papers were clearly and legibly written (I would specially commend Jukes in this respect), and there were very few gross blunders. Where the marks are poor the questions were not attempted.

In the lower forms I noted two amusing answers in the Divinity paper. "The origin of the elements" was defined "elemental storms in bad weather," and the curious statement made—that we pray in the Litany "to be delivered from the kindly thoughts of our enemies."

Perhaps another version of the saying, "We're to a man when all men speak well of him."

Mr. Oliver J. Murray, Charlottetown, P.E.I., writes as follows:

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A sale of Permanent Stock of the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company was made this week at \$130 per share, being thirty dollars above par value.

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The favorite route from this city to Nanaimo is now by the Victoria & Sidney railway and steamer Iroquois. Train leaves every Monday and Thursday at 7 a.m. Single fare \$1.50. Return, good for ten days, \$2.50.

Tom and Jerry had hot free lunch at Steele's Saloon, Bastion Square.

A commercial traveller for large wholesale liquor house reports that the hotel men of the Kootenays are fully aware of the vast difference between the spurious imitations of Kola Wine and the old established genuine brand, which has the trade mark of bunch of celery or green background.

The Victoria Garrison Artillery Rifle Association have just received an order from the militia department for 50,000 rounds of Lee-Enfield ammunition, being at the rate of 200 rounds for each member. In connection with the above, a meeting of the committee will be held in the drill hall on Thursday next, December 10th, at 8 p.m.

Perrin's Kid Gloves at The White House. \$1.00 pair, guaranteed.

The dance given by the City band at the A. O. U. W. hall last evening was a decided success. There were present about 100 people. Evergreens and bunting decorated the room, and the floor was in splendid shape for dancing. Promptly at 8:30 the ball band played the grand march, after which the evening's programme was commenced by an excellent orchestra of 12 pieces. Dancing was continued until a late hour, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all.

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Work commenced yesterday in laying the stone foundation for the James Bay retaining wall. Fragments of rock are placed between the piles which have been all cut off about mid level and on this substructure the wall will be constructed. The stone will be brought in the rough on scows from the Nelson Island quarries and will be cut here. Hazegrey & Woods are the contractors. They have been cutting stone at Raymond's wharf in preparation for this work for the past month or more. Should good weather favor the workmen spring should see the wall well on to completion. About fifty men will be engaged in the work. They have finished the extension of one of the surface drains, and expect to complete the other in about a week.

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THE WESTSIDE

VICTORIA'S POPULAR STORE. DECEMBER 14, 1901.

THIRD LETTER

From Santa Claus



SANTA FIGHTS THE BOERS

DEAR MR. MANAGER:—Oh! what a dreadful time I have had with those horrid Boers. I told you about in my last letter. I had just given my dear friends their breakfast and they were trying to be off when I saw a lot of ugly fellows sneaking behind some rocks. I did not want to fight unless I was forced to, for fear they might steal or damage my legs, and what would my dear young friends do then, Mr. Manager? I don't like to think about it. Well, I just jumped into my sleigh and put my dear to their best speed, and made a dash at them. It would have pleased all my little friends to see how they ran when I charged, and how they did shoot for me to spare them, when I got to close quarters. These cruel fellows had taken a pretty little English girl captive. I managed to rescue her with great difficulty, and will try and bring her along with me to "THE HITCHCOCK." My dear and myself are quite done up after such a terrible day, but we will be right in the morning; then, ho, for Victoria and "The Westside." Give my best love to all my dear little Victoria friends, and believe me, Your FAITHFUL Old Friend, SANTA CLAUS.

P. S.—Wake up those CANDY MEN. Have thousands of boxes ready for my first reception day.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 14—5 a. m.—The barometer remains about 30.2; wind, light to moderate; sky, mostly cloudy, with light change in temperature; light falls of rain or sleet to-night or on Sunday.

Forecast: For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, mostly cloudy, with light change in temperature; light falls of rain or sleet to-night or on Sunday.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, unsettled, with occasional rain or sleet.

Reports: Victoria—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 32; minimum, 25; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 0; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 32; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 0.8; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 24; minimum, 22; wind, 2 miles N. W.; weather, clear.

Reedbank—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, 22; minimum, 16; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.26; temperature, 52; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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The Teachers' Institute held a meeting yesterday afternoon, when an interesting paper on "Mothers Meetings" was read by Miss Winter, being an account of her own experiences in Spring Ridge.

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Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.....75c.
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COMMUNICATIONS.

THE BRIDGE QUESTION.

To the Editor:—I was present at the meeting held in the city hall on December 11th to discuss the proposed bridge matters and the action of Mayor Hayward, who vetoed the award of the contract to the Puget Sound Bridge Company by the resolution of six of our aldermen.

To me it seemed very inconsistent for Ald. Yates to contend that the vetoing power of the mayor should be cancelled, as the six aldermen who are now opposing a resolution passed by a large majority of the citizens are themselves practically vetoing the will of those who made them aldermen.

Alderman Yates seems to think it necessary to protect the aldermen and citizens against the power of the mayor, but it is evident that the greater part of the citizens are very glad that Mayor Hayward protected the minority of the council and the majority of the ratepayers from the action of Ald. Yates and the other five aldermen constituting the "solid six."

Mayor Hayward's power was only used after request by a large body of ratepayers, and the use of it is endorsed by a large majority of the citizens, and while it is exercised in such a manner, I think the citizens should insist on retaining in their possession the only check they have on the acts of the city's representatives.

RATEPAYER.

"DEVELOPMENT AND DEFENCE."

(No. 11.)

To the Editor:—In my former communication under the above heading, I referred to the proposed project, approved by the then Premier, Hon. John Robson, namely, to assist colonies of fishermen to settle on the western coast of British Columbia. It may not be generally known that I had arranged with the Imperial government for a loan of £150,000 stg. (equal to about \$750,000), to assist in bringing to British Columbia families numbering at least 1,000 fishermen, to settle along the West Coast on the islands and Mainland of the province, to prosecute the deep-sea fisheries in all its branches.

An Imperial act was passed by the British parliament to authorize the Chancellor of the Exchequer to grant the loan, and another act was passed by the legislature of British Columbia to permit and require the provincial government to become the guarantors of the fishermen colonists and their families—to advance their fares—provide them with dwellings, etc., and to receive such specified sums as should be agreed upon, to repay the advances made to the colonist settlers, by easy instalments.

But, as stated in my former short letter to you, dated 11th inst., Mr. Robson, having been cut off suddenly in London, by death, the project was dropped, and is still in abeyance—no part of the loan having been drawn. An editor not far from the city of Toronto, who is thoroughly loyal and watches the progress

of western events, writes to me recently, expressing regret that my fishery scheme was not carried into effect, as, if it had been, a large force of naval reserve men, British subjects, many of them trained in Scotland as reserve men, would stand ready for defence when required.

That the colonial governments in Australia have been acting as money-lenders to assist colonists, is evident from a paper which was read before the Colonial Institute in London recently on this subject, by the Hon. W. P. Reeves, Agent-General for New Zealand. He stated that, in the years 1894-95, the governments of four colonies—New Zealand, South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria—established money-lending departments for making advances on mortgage to the smaller class of farmers. In this way over £4,000,000 (\$20,000,000) had already been lent out. About £450,000 had already been repaid. This proportion of loan to security must not exceed 50 per cent. of a freehold, or half the selling value, in case of a lease. An interesting feature was the system of repayment of loans by instalments. Under this, the borrower pays 6 or 7 per cent. annually, of which 4½ or 5 per cent. represents interest, and the remainder goes to form a sinking fund to extinguish the debt. In New Zealand a very loan must be repaid by 7½ half-yearly instalments. The mortgagee may, however, hasten the process by depositing additional sums on paying off the whole principal, whenever he chooses. In 1899, the government of New South Wales followed the example of the neighboring colonies and passed an "Advances to Settlers Act."

ALEXANDER BEGG, Victoria, 13th December, 1901.

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SPORTING

GOLE. MEDAL COMPETITION.

This afternoon the second monthly medal competition of the Victoria Golf Club was held.

THE TURF. CROSS-COUNTRY RUN.

A cross-country run of the Victoria Hunt Club took place this afternoon. The horses started at 2:45.

CRICKET. RESULTED IN A DRAW.

Manchester, Dec. 14.—The second and final game in the chess match between Champion Lasker and the Parisian expert Janowski, which was finished last night, resulted in a draw.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. TO-DAY'S GAMES.

There are three Association football games in progress this afternoon. One is between the senior teams Columbia and Garrison, and the other between the intermediate aggregations Boys Brigade and Victoria West, and the junior teams High school and Northwester. The senior game is being contested at the California grounds. Mr. Tommasen is acting as referee.

SWIMMING. AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11.—The swimming contest for the American championship took place to-night at the Sportsman's Show, E. Carroll Schaefer, national champion, winning, and lowering the record for the 500 yards. In this race Schaefer finished in 6 minutes, 51.25 seconds, the previous record, held by himself, being 7 minutes 24.45 seconds. Schaefer also won the 200-yard race in 2 minutes 44.45 seconds.

THE RING. KNOCKED OUT.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 13.—Tommy McCune, of Detroit, and George Moore, of Saginaw, met here last night for a six-round box. In the second Moore received a short arm jab which struck him close to the pit of the stomach, laying him out. For about ten minutes he remained on the floor with doctors working over him, and then had to be assisted to his dressing room. The doctors said the blow was very serious, but said Moore would probably recover. The referee awarded the fight to McCune on a foul.

THE KENNEL. NEW CLUB FORMED FOR THE CITY.

A meeting of dog fanciers was held in T. Pimley's bicycle store yesterday evening, with J. W. Creighton in the chair, and T. P. McConnell acting as secretary pro tem, when it was decided to form a new kennel club to be known as the "Victoria City Kennel Club." The following officers were duly elected for the year 1902: President, C. W. Milner; vice-presidents, E. F. McConnell, Mrs. Hitchcock; secretary, O. C. Bass; treasurer, T. Pimley; superintendent, E. Turner; managing committee, T. P. Mc-

Connell, T. Pimley, R. B. Watson, Otto Weller, J. W. Creighton, C. H. Southfield, Wm. Batecock, bench committee, Stanley, T. P. McConnell, R. B. Watson, Otto Weller, Dr. L. Hall, D. Campbell, J. W. Creighton, E. Turner, C. B. Goodwin, W. C. Adams, G. Florence, J. Phillips, E. C. Fordner, Wm. Hontock, J. McSweney, A. G. Davies, veterinary surgeons, Drs. Tolmie and Hamilton.

The meeting adjourned until Friday, the 27th inst., at 8 o'clock, when bench show dates and other matters of importance will be considered. A full attendance of all those interested in dogs and dog matters is requested. The membership fee is \$2 for the year. Tickets may be had from any member of the committee or the officers.

THE WHEEL. RACE ENDS TO-NIGHT.

New York, Dec. 14.—Ninety tired and weary teams, five of them American representatives, whirled about Madison Square Garden this evening. The race is to end at ten o'clock to-night. Five of the teams are a tie for first honors, and the winners will probably not be known until the last lap is finished. The final preparations have been completed, and the training quarters have been removed to the track, and the riders will go without sleep to-day. They are undoubtedly well fought hard. Instead of the foreigners fighting the American contingents for the lead, it is a contest for supremacy between the North and the South. Munro, Walthour and Newkirk are the Souths, and each is confident of winning, while the other leaders, Butler and McLean, Newkirk and Munro, Maya and Wilson, Batecock and Purville, 2,117 miles 2 laps; King and Samuelson, 2,316 miles 3 laps; Fredericks and Jack, 2,315 miles 2 laps; Julius and Lawson, 2,197 miles 8 laps; Lawson, who kept on in the race after his partner Julius had his collar loose broken, did not ride between 8 and 10 o'clock, and did not ride before he would return to the track until just before the final lap. Lawson left the track only when directed to do so by the referee.

Although the bi-centenary celebration of the foundation of St. Petersburg by Peter the Great does not fall due till 1903, the municipal council of the Russian capital has already voted a large sum for the purpose of carrying out a grandiose programme, which will take nearly two years to complete. The programme for the celebration, the main lines of which have been adopted, will cost nearly £5,000,000. The council intends inviting the French government and the Paris municipal council to participate in the festivities.

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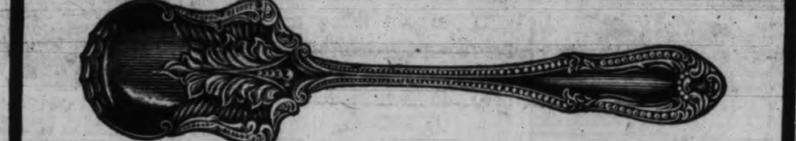
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With the Sugar Shell we will send you 6 packages of Standard Electine Remedies, which we wish you to sell, if you can, at 25 cents each. Then return our money, and we will give you absolutely free a Butter Knife and Pickle Fork, same pattern as your Sugar Shell, and also a Set of 6 Full-Size Solid Arizona Silver Teaspoons. If you fail to sell our Medicines, return them to us and retain the Sugar Shell as a gift, it being free in any event. Our Solid Arizona Silver Premiums are fast superseding Sterling Silver for Tableware. They always look as well, and wear better; they are the same beautiful metal all the way through and are guaranteed for 50 years. There is nothing else like them except Sterling Silver, and nothing "just as good." Now, please don't throw this paper down and say to yourself, "I'll write to those Electine people to-morrow."

This is not an opportunity to put off and forget. Just sign and return the attached request to-day, that is all you have to do. The Sugar Shell and Medicines will then be promptly mailed, post-paid. Remember, even if you fail to sell our Goods, you at least have an Elegant Sugar Shell, worth 75 cents, for simply making the effort.

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NOTICE. Notice is given, that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act incorporating a bank to do a general banking business. Dated at Toronto, December 7th, 1901. GEORGE ROSS, Solicitor for Applicants.

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Provincial News

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The funeral of the late Helena Perdue took place on Wednesday afternoon from the family residence, Royal avenue, to the Odd Fellows' cemetery, the service being conducted by the Rev. W. Miller Magrath, rector of St. Paul's R. C. church.

VERNON.

Mrs. Vickers died on Wednesday morning at the Vernon Jubilee hospital. The deceased lady succumbed to an attack of typhoid fever, complicated with pneumonia, and was unconscious for some days before her death. She was a daughter of the Rev. J. H. Lambert, of this city.

NANAIMO.

It is reported here that operations are to commence to-day on a tunnel between the tunnel and closed slopes at Extension in order to flood slopes Nos. 2 and 3. This tunnel will be built in about 35 feet from that now on, as at that point good connection can be made with solid rock on each side.

KAMLOOPS.

The funeral of Engineer Randall and Fireman Potted, killed in the railroad accident at Lytton, took place on Monday. The Mayor having presided at the public holiday for the payment of the last respects to the memory of the deceased, practically the whole of the funeral services were most impressive.

NELSON.

W. P. Robinson, ex-sheriff of South Kootenay, died at his residence in this city shortly after 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening. The deceased was 60 years of age, several of which were spent in this city. He was a sufferer from asthma, which was the cause of his death, together with other complications.

GRAND FORKS.

The grading of the Great Northern and the V. & E. railways between here and Marcus, Wash., is completed with the exception of three small gaps, two of which represent heavy rock work. The city of Grand Forks is to be benefited by a smaller shovel with a capacity of 400 cubic yards daily, as well as a smaller shovel with a capacity of 400 cubic yards daily, as well as a smaller shovel with a capacity of 400 cubic yards daily.

VANCOUVER.

The marriage was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Thomas McKelvey, several avenue, Fairview, on Thursday, of Mr. Leo Ingram and Miss Charlotte Ingram, in the presence of a few intimate friends. Rev. Mr. Wright performed the ceremony.

CONGREGATION.

A public meeting was held on Thursday night to discuss the hospital question. The meeting favored control by a board of managers, instead of the corporation. The report of the medical committee was read by Dr. Penland.

NO SUBSTITUTE FOR "THE D. & L."

Menthol Plaster, although some unscrupulous dealers may say there is. Recommended by doctors, by hospitals, by the clergy, by everybody, for aching, rheumatism, etc. Made by Davis & Lawrence, Co., Ltd.

MRS. BARNETT, OF PLATTSVILLE, ONT.

Cured Three and a-half Years Ago by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Further Proof of the Permanency of the Cures Effected by This Great Remedy—A Most Convincing Confirmation of an Interesting Statement Published in the Plattsville Echo, in May, 1898.

Plattsville, Ont., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—Some three and a half years ago, The Plattsville Echo, the local newspaper, published quite an extended account of a most miraculous cure of a well known and highly respected lady, Mrs. J. Barnett, who had been extremely ill for years, and who claimed to be permanently cured by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

This was in the Spring of 1898, and to-day Mrs. Barnett states positively and in the strongest and most grateful terms that the cure—Dodd's Kidney Pills brought her three and a half years ago was absolute and permanent; that she is to-day stronger and better than she had been for years before taking the pills. Nothing could be more convincing than this good woman's plain and truthful statement, and it proves beyond doubt the lasting character of the cures effected by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Per steamer Champer from Vancouver—J. B. Young, B. S. Bertram, T. F. McKenzie, A. McDougall, A. G. McLean, J. L. Jones, W. E. Barnes, A. E. Barnett, H. Donville, E. Cook, J. Coote, Mrs. Tuffin, Jas. Tirth and wife, W. E. Johnson, Orlaf Lee, Mrs. Lee, L. E. B. Haville, Mr. Herman, C. Collier, A. Brignall, G. M. Leishman, E. Sutton, J. W. Wheeler, Capt. Christensen, B. M. Palmer, H. Barclay, D. H. Ker, Thos. Dunn, B. J. Ker, F. M. Batesbury, Jno. Burke, J. Martin, Brewster, W. Ritchie, E. H. Wyles.

FASENGERS.

Per steamer Majestic from the Sound—W. J. Dobson, A. A. Osborne, A. Hamon, M. K. Rodgers, A. D. Sheppard and wife, Mrs. Sheppard, Miss Corby, W. Bonitbee, Miss Wensley, Mrs. Todd, Fred Wright, Miss Conley, C. A. Butler.

CONGREGATION.

Per steamer Majestic from the Sound—S. Leister & Co., L. Goodacre & Sons.

STOP THE PAIN BUT DESTROY THE STOMACH.

This is sadly true, often the case. So many nauseous nostrums purporting to cure, in the end do the patient immensely more harm than good. Dr. Von Stan's Peppermint Tablets are a purely vegetable preparation, as farmers say, "do not hurt the digestive organs." 90 in a box, 35 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.

A youth named Alexander Lee, aged seventeen, fell into a vat of hot liquid dye at some dye-works at Kelso, near Ballymouna, County Antrim. He died in great agony, soon after being taken out of the boiling liquid.

Fruit cakes can be made two or three months in advance of Christmas. In fact they are better when a year old.—Ladies' Home Journal.

French railway returns for 1901

show a decrease of 50,000,000 francs, as compared with 1900.



500 doz. Ties Given Away Cheap

TIDE TABLE

Victoria, B. C., December, 1901.

(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Tidal survey table with columns for Date, High Water, Low Water, and various time and height measurements.

The Time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

TUMORS DRAWN WITH PLASTERS.

A Painful and Barbarous Method of Treatment Which Might Have Been Avoided.

A lady in writing about her case not long ago, said she had tumors in her right breast, and had them drawn out by plasters. This drawing process gave her great pain and weakened her terribly, but worst of all more tumors grew again.

"POVERTY A BLESSING."

"The possession of money is a great worry," says Andrew Carnegie. "My greatest trouble is how to distribute my wealth wisely. I shall have my hands full before I die if I wish to escape the curse of my own observation, namely, that it is a sin to be rich. Money does not make a man happy. I would not give up all the wealth I have if I were denied the pleasure that comes from the study of literature art. If Shakespeare and Wagner, the mountain peaks of literature and music, were not on my life, life would be poor indeed. Millionaires who live mostly for making money have a sorry time of it."

WHAT COLORS TO WEAR.

Heat has some very curious likings and dislikes. For instance, when you want to keep the heat of the body, the material of your clothing is everything, and the color does not matter at all. But when you want to keep out the heat of the sun from your body, the color of your clothing is everything, and the material practically nothing.

PAIN OVER THE EYES

BRADACHE AND CATARRH RELIEVED. That dull, wretched pain in the head just over the eyes is one of the surest signs that the seeds of cataract have been sown, and it's your warning to administer the quick and sure treatment to prevent the setting of this dreaded malady.

Special Xmas Sale

BARGAINS FOR CASH.

Special Xmas Prices on the Following Lines Suitable For Xmas Gifts

BOYS' SUITS, OVERCOATS AND MACINTOSHES, SMOKING JACKETS, SILK AND LINEN INITIAL HANKERCHIEFS, GLOVES, HATS AND CAPS, BAGS AND VALISES, CUFF LINKS, COLLAR BUTTONS, FANCY VESTS, CARDIGAN JACKETS, SCARF PINS, REGATTA AND DRESS SHIRTS, 50 DOZ. SILK UMBRELLAS FROM \$1.50 TO \$12.00 EACH, SUIT CASES FROM \$3.00 UPWARDS.

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Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt.

You are here offered new life, fresh courage and the nerves and vigor which belong to strong men. You can be made free from the effects of past errors, excesses and mistakes by Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt.

PAY WHEN CURED.

Men, why will you be weak? Why do you not listen to the echo of the thousands of grateful voices raised in thanks to DR. McLAUGHLIN'S ELECTRIC BELT? Why do you go on from day to day realizing that you are losing your nerve force when you see a cure within your grasp?

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Throat or lung trouble is generally due to abrupt changes in the weather for which this season is noted. Congestions on the outside are flashed to the membrane linings of the throat and lungs. These passages become inflamed and provide excellent fields for the attack of germs or microbes. Then the real trouble commences and if your system is not strong enough it will hang on, maybe grow worse and you will die.



Gentlemen: I have been troubled for over a year with severe bronchitis and throat trouble, sometimes so severe that I have had to lay off from my work. I have tried many remedies, none of which seemed to be suited to my case.

It is simply marvelous in the manner in which Powley's Liquefied Ozone cures lung and throat troubles. It builds up the system, produces healthy flesh conditions, makes it simply impossible for the attack of disease germs. Our booklet on consumption called the "Great White Plague," is yours for the asking.

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Farmer's Backache.

There is scarcely a farmer in this country but knows what backache is. The hard work and heavy lifts, the constant grind of toil from early morning till late at night, frequently bring the stabbing pain in the back or the dull grinding ache that knows no let up.

Dr. Pitcher ought to be held in high esteem by every farmer in the land on account of his Backache Kidney Tablets, which are doing such a grand and noble work in banishing backache, kidney and urinary troubles, which are such universal complaints on the farm.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

- Headquarters Fire Department, Telephone No. 533. 2-Birdsage W & Superior St., James B. 3-Carr and Simcoe streets, James Bay. 4-Richmond and Menzies Sts., James Bay. 5-McKenzie and Niagara Sts., James Bay. 6-Montreal and Kingston Sts., James Bay. 7-Dallas St. and Simcoe St., James Bay. 8-Vancouver and Burdette streets. 9-Douglas and Humboldt streets. 10-Humboldt and Rupert streets. 11-Yates and Broad streets. 12-Port and Government streets. 13-Yates and West streets. 14-Johnson and Government streets. 15-Headquarters between Fort & View. 16-Headquarters Fire Dept., Gormoran St. 17-View and Blamhard streets. 18-Yates and West streets. 19-Yates and Cook streets. 20-Yates and Stanley avenues. 21-Junction Oak Bay and Cadboro roads. 22-Cadboro and Richmond roads. 23-Quadra and Pandora streets. 24-Charlton and Blamhard streets. 25-Caledonia and Cook streets. 26-Spring Ridge. 27-Douglas and Discovery streets. 28-Government and Princess streets. 29-King's Road and Second street. 30-Peninsula, Douglas St. and Hillside Ave. 31-Oaklands Fire Hall. 32-Cornwall and Store streets. 33-Discovery and Store streets. 34-John and Bridge streets. 35-Catherine street, Victoria West. 36-Springfield Ave. and Esquimaux road.

HEAVY WORK.

Mr. C. E. Lane, King Street East, Ingersoll, Ont.: "I have been subject to attacks of backache and kidney trouble for some years, owing to heavy work on the farm in my early days. Every attack of cold aggravated it. I have tried other remedies in the past but with little effect, and decided to try a bottle of Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets. I got a bottle from A. E. Gaylor, druggist, using at first three and then two as a dose, as they proved a little too laxative. With the two tablets dose the pain and other trouble disappeared, and since then there has been no return, consequently I am sure they are a good medicine."

Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets are 50c. a box, at all druggists or by mail, The Drs. ZENK PHARMACY Co., Toronto, Ont.

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LINE NEARLY THROUGH FINLAYSON'S FIELD

Railway From V. & S. to City Market
 Half Completed—Fifty Workmen
 Being Employed.

It cannot now be long before the noise of the puffing of engines is heard in the principal streets of Victoria. The work of laying the rails from the V. & S. railway to the market is being pushed forward with great rapidity, and those who have occasion to visit that part of the city through which they are being laid will be surprised at the progress which has been made. Starting at a point on the V. & S. some distance above the station the rails may safely be said to have been completely laid over about half a mile of the route. It has been completed on First street and laid roughly through Finlayson's field. All that now has to be done before work is commenced on Blanchard is to go over the work already done, and put a few finishing touches to that constructed.

The gentleman having charge of the work when seen this morning said that there were at present about fifty workmen engaged. All that could be got had been employed, and as the work had gone forward without any interruption on account of the weather or other reasons much had been accomplished. When asked when he hoped to have the rails completed as far as the market building, he stated that he could give no definite time, but that it would be gone on with as quickly as possible. He intended keeping it strictly up to date, or in other words to have the rails graded and put in a fit condition for use as he went

along. Thus today what work has been done is being gone over and graded, etc., so that when the rails reach the market building the line will be ready to be immediately utilized.

So far enough steel rails have been ordered for utilization in the local portion of the road which is to give Victoria direct communication with the Mainland and that great belt of railways which connect with every point almost of the American continent. It is thought that there will be enough rails to finish the work in Victoria. However, a big load of rails are now on their way from England, and will be used to construct the Mainland portion of the line.

This morning, Capt. Mackenzie, who arrived from the Terminal City last evening, was out inspecting the work on First street.

The Sir William Wallace Society at their regular meeting last night spent a very pleasant evening. The program was the feature of the programme. Mr. Ross and other members sang. Chief Keer gave a reading from the Scottish American, "Warship Building on the Clyde." Mr. Mortimer also sang from the Scottish American "Fossils in the Rockies," and read from Burns' "The Vision." "Auld Lang Syne" brought the evening's entertainment to a conclusion.

In connection with the report of a school board meeting recently, in which the inference was left that a petition for the appointment of J. M. Campbell as principal of North Ward school had been circulated, the instance of Mr. Campbell, it should be stated that that gentleman had nothing whatever to do with it or its circulation. The parties who circulated it had written to the board assuming full responsibility for it.

In the police court this morning an Indian drunk was fined \$5 and another \$25 and \$1 costs for being in possession. A vagrant was remanded until Monday. G. M. McLean was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for supplying liquor to the two Indians who chewed one another's noses a week or two ago, and Chinese wash-house cases were disposed of by fining the Chinese \$5 each and costs.

Political rumors have been revived with the return of Hon. W. C. Wells, and the friends of Joseph Martin now assert that the ex-premier will oppose R. V. Bodwell, K. C., in this city. The government also assert that the portfolio of mines will be filled in a few days, and it is believed that negotiations with Denis Murphy have been opened with that object. Friends of Mr. Murphy, however, claim that he will not accept a portfolio with the government.

IRRITABLE WOMEN

Should be Pitied Not Blamed—Men Don't Understand How They Suffer When They Cry, "Oh, Don't Speak to Me."

All manner of extravagant expressions are possible when a woman's nerves are overwrought. The spasm at the top of the wind pipe or bronchial tubes, "ball rising in the throat," violent beating of the heart, laughing and crying by turns, muscular spasms (throwing the arms about), frightened by the most insignificant occurrences—are all symptoms of a hysterical condition and serious derangement of the female organs.

Any female complaint may produce hysterics, which must be regarded as a symptom only. The cause, however, yields quickly to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which acts at once upon the organ afflicted and the nerve centres, dispelling effectually all those distressing symptoms.



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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I wish to speak a good word for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. For years I had ovarian trouble and suffered everything from nervousness, severe headaches, and pain in back and abdomen. I had consulted different physicians, but decided to try your medicine, and I soon found it was giving me much relief. I continued its use and now am feeling like a new person, physically and mentally, and am glad to add one more testimonial to the value of your remedy."—Mrs. M. H. Lewis, 2125 Valentia Ave., Fremont, New York, N.Y.

Writing to Mrs. Pinkham is the quickest and surest way to get the right advice about all female troubles. Her address is Lynn, Mass. She advises women free. Following is an instance:

Mrs. Haven's First Letter to Mrs. Pinkham.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I would like your advice in regard to my troubles. I suffer every month at time of menstruation, and flow so much, and for so long that I become very weak, also get very dizzy. I am troubled with a discharge before and after menses, have pains in ovaries so bad sometimes that I can hardly get around, have sore feeling in lower part of bowels, pain in back, bearing-down feeling, a desire to pass urine frequently, with pains in passing it; have leucorrhoea, headache, fainting spells, and sometimes have hysteria. My blood is not in good condition. Hoping to hear from you, I am, Mrs. EMMA HAVEN, 2503 South Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa." (June 3, 1899.)

Mrs. Haven's Second Letter.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I wish to express my gratitude for what you have done for me. I suffered for four years with womb troubles. Every month I flowed very badly. I got so bad that I could hardly do my work. Was obliged to sit or lie down most of the time. I doctored for a long time, but obtained no relief. I began using your remedies—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Blood Purifier, Sanative Wash and Liver Pills—and now feel like a new woman."—Mrs. EMMA HAVEN, 2503 South Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa. (Feb. 1, 1900.)

\$5000 REWARD.—We have deposited with the National City Bank of Lynn, \$5000, which will be paid to any person who can find the above testimonial letters are not genuine, or were published before obtaining the writer's special permission. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

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 We have received by Express 5 dozen exceptionally Handsome Silk Waists, Very Latest Styles.

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THE LOSS OF THE HIGHLAND LIGHT.



THE BARQUE'S CREW. Taken on Board the Queca City.

The accompanying cuts of the loss of the barque Highland Light off Heceta Head, Dec. 11, 1901, are reproduced from photographs taken at the time she foundered, and which the Times was fortunate



THE BARQUE FOUNDERING. As She Last Appeared to Those on the Arilla.

enough to secure. They are from snapshots taken by Thomas J. Wood, jr., son of Gen. Wood of the United States army. Mr. Wood was a passenger on the schooner Arilla, from Nome for Seattle, which subsequently took off the officers and crew. He had his camera with him, and through that medium a realistic souvenir of the disaster has been preserved.



HELP AT LAST. As She Appeared When First Sighted by the Arilla.

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 At all hotels, clubs, bars, and refreshment places in the City. All wine and liquor dealers sell Mumm's. Wholesale at
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Personal.
 Supt. Kent, who arrived from Nanaimo by the noon train to-day, states that the work on the telephone line to the Coast City was entirely completed, and in every way ready for operation. In fact it is now in active use, and anyone who has friends in Nanaimo may talk to them over the wire at the rate of 50c per two minutes' conversation, and 25c for every additional minute.

R. M. Palmer, inspector of fruit pests; Capt. Christanson, Capt. S. F. Mackenzie, J. Wheeler and G. M. Loshman were among those who came over from the Terminal City last night by the steamer Charmer.

A. A. Osborn, U. S. customs collector in Seattle, Wash., is in the city for the purpose of meeting the incoming City of Pueblo. He is staying at the Dominion hotel.

H. Darling, T. Dunn, J. Burns, Jr., W. E. Burns, A. E. Garrett, J. Cooke and E. Cook, all of Vancouver, arrived in the city last night and are staying at the Strand hotel.

W. J. Dobson, who is connected with the Grand Pacific hotel, Kamloops, is among the guests at the Dominion hotel.

Among the passengers from Vancouver last evening were A. G. McCandless, D. R. Ker and E. M. Ratsenberry.

Robt. Draine, of the Namu Harbor cannery, is in the city. He is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

K. Sharp, of Nanaimo, is at the Dominion hotel.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.
 (Published by the B. C. Stock Exchange, Limited.)

New York, Dec. 14.—The following quotations ruled on the Produce Exchanges to-day:

Open, High, Low, Close.			
N. Y. Wheat	80 1/2	80 1/2	79 1/2
Chicago Corn	68	68 1/2	67 1/4
Liverpool Wheat	68	68 1/2	67 1/4
May	68	68 1/2	67 1/4

New York, Dec. 14.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange to-day:

Open, High, Low, Close.			
American Sugar	121	121 1/4	119 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	109 1/2	109 1/2	107 1/2
People's Gas	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Manhattan	128 1/2	128 1/2	127 1/2
B. R. T.	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Union Pacific	107 1/2	107 1/2	106 1/2
Atchafalpa	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
U. S. Steel	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Southern Pac.	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Missouri Pacific	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Amal. Copper	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2

Money closed 4 per cent.

LOCAL OPINION IS STRONG in favor of Pny-Balsam. It cures coughs and colds with absolute certainty. Pleasant to take and sure to cure. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-killer.

—Everyone is looking for the prettiest and the most useful in Xmas Presents. Weller Bros. undoubtedly takes the lead in offering the largest selection. Call and see their stocks.

—Cloth-bound books reduced in price 1/2, 2/3 and 3/4. Johnston, Douglas street.

MARRIED.
 GRANTHAM-CREASE—At Nelson, on Dec. 10th, by Bishop Dart, Frank Granttham and Miss Maude Crease.
 INGRAM-INGRAM—At Vancouver, on Dec. 12th, by Rev. Mr. Wright, Leo Ingram and Miss Charlotte Ingram.
 DAVIDSON-WEBSTER—At Vancouver, on Dec. 11th, by Rev. R. G. McBeth, James A. Davidson and Miss Bertha J. Webster.

DIED.
 ROBINSON—At Nelson, on Dec. 10th, W. P. Robinson, aged 90 years.
 VICKERS—At Vernon, on Dec. 11th, Mrs. Vickers.

WANTED—A quantity of parlor, bed room and dining room furniture. State price. "Furniture," Times Office.

COTTAGE FOR SALE—On easy terms, all in good condition; large lot and good fruit trees. Apply R. F. O. 157.

DAIRYMAIDS' SUPPER—Tuesday evening next, Temperance hall; bright singing, sparkling costumes; refreshments from farm and dairy after musical part. Admission only 25c.

BLOOD AND RACE IS THICKER THAN WATER—Sell your junk at Edson's Licensed Junk store, 125 Fort street. Copper, brass, bottles, acids, coal oil cans, etc. Large orders called for.

"WOMAN'S EXCHANGE"—22 Douglas St. Lace centre pieces, dollies, paintings, children's clothes and fancy articles for sale. Cakes, plum puddings, scones, candy, etc. Afternoon tea, 10 cents.

LOST—Gent's plaid macintosh. Finder leave at Specie Bros. and get reward.

LOST—\$10 reward for the return of a recommendation that was taken from the room of William Clark about the 25th of November, 1901. The recommendation was received by William Clark from the owners of the steamer Casso, of Dawson City. If anyone has taken it through mistake and returns the same to 22 Douglas street, Porter's Building, Room 7, he will receive reward. No questions asked. William Clark.

INVEST
 A few dollars at home and make an independent fortune. No lottery, no gamble, but a straight business proposition.

The Pacific Exploration and Development Company
 Limited, having purchased a very much better ship than was at first intended, offer for sale
150 Extra Shares of Stock \$10.00 Each
 The greatest offer ever made to Victoria people. \$10 invested is doubled by the end of five months to return about
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 Secure a portion and be happy for life. Full information on applying to the Secretary, 19 Board of Trade.

VICTORIA THEATRE.
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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18.
 A continuous laugh, the sterling English Comedians,
MR. HARRY BERESFORD
 Under the sole management of J. Coeman, in Geo. H. Broadhurst's best Farceful Comedy,
The Wrong Mr. Wright
 Prices, \$1.00, 75c, 50c, and 25c. Seats on sale at the Victoria Book & Stationery Store, Monday morning.

Drill Hall Concert TO-NIGHT.
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SMART TOILETTES FROM PARIS

IN THE RUE DE LA PAIX

Paris, Saturday.—A walk along the Rue de la Paix suffices to show that "tout Paris" has resumed possession of the city. The brilliant equipages, with their pawing horses, stand before the doors of the famous dressmakers, the strident horns of automobiles warn impatient pedestrians to keep out of the way, and, lastly, the fashionable crowd is hypnotized by the sparkling diamonds and jewels in the shop windows. One is everywhere charmed with the ingenious and beautiful novelties exhibited by the different tradesmen.

After the dangerous crossing of the Place de l'Opera, which is ever in motion, like the waves of the sea, the pretty Rue de la Paix is like a harbor of refuge. The crowd, a moment since hurried and bustling, is calm, polite and amiable, as though there emanated from the supreme refinement of the surroundings an ambient air of politeness and courtesy. It is a veritable promenade, for at every step the eye is caught by some marvel to be admired.

Here is a somewhat discursive account of the two hours spent in wandering about the most brilliant artery of Parisian fashion, illuminated by the mill rays of the beautiful autumn sun.

To begin with, there is a whole shop window filled with instruments of precision, such as watches, clocks, eyeglasses, thermometers, compasses and barometers, all of them charming. The eyeglasses have long handles of translucent enamel and are decorated with the most "exquisite" designs. They are more novel, less fragile and quite as pretty as handles of Dresden or Sevres porcelain. The tortoise-shell "face a mains" is superseded by the double gold rimmed "borgnon," with a handle of the same metal.

Close by is the dazzling exhibition of the adornment of one of the most reputed foreign "ballerines," a tulle work of gold, starred with diamonds, sapphires and emeralds, forming a point at the bottom of the back, rising in the form of

braces over the shoulders and forming a bolero over the corsage, like unto a coat of mail of precious stones. Then, in the midst of a display of a thousand tempting trifles I notice a postage stamp box of engraved crystal. The transparency of the material enables me to distinguish the contents of the many compartments. This charming object is mounted on a chased bronze stand in the Empire style.

The "art nouveau" harmonizes delightfully with the Empire style, and I admire a fan, with mountings of mother of pearl and gold, with modern designs spangled with gold, set upon gauze.

Then there are flowers which lack nothing but scent. I notice a large toque entirely of dog roses, which seems a striking homage to the refined taste of the Empress of Russia, whose favorite flower it is. Another toque, composed of gigantic sprays of edelweiss, is equally original.

After a famous perfumer comes a brilliant series of jewellers in all branches. I am an enthusiastic admirer of the riviera, so felicitously replaced by the undulating form of a serpent. The cut stones look like the rings of the terrible reptile. The eyes are rubies and the head is marked by an enormous emerald.

Next, I admire the umbrella handle, representing an admirably chased gold chimera holding in its claws a monstrous baroque scort.

A little further on I find sautoirs of rose diamonds set in platinum; others of pearls, the regularity of which is broken by larger stones or bright-colored stones, resembling the "pater" of a rosary, or else composed of links of colored enamel as brilliant as gems.

That living casket of jewels, the peacock, serves as a theme for the most dazzling fancies on the part of the lapidaries. I notice a neck ornament in incrustated enamel, representing two pins crossed like hatpins, with gold arrows with diamond feathers, etc.

In the way of rings, I saw many with very large stones, set in old style on a plain round ring. This enables people to wear several on the same finger. The marriage ring is superseded by the auricular, and rings for the forefinger

of very large dimensions are coming more and more into favor. A new pendant I should mention. It is composed of tiny camels carved in jet, rivaling the white elephant so much recommended by Mme. de Thebes. What can one think of this new fetiche?

From Jewelry to Underlinen.

In the midst of all this symphony of color come the dainty grace of the underlinen shops. Very pretty are the cambric handkerchiefs in two colors—pink in the centre and four corners white, incrustated with pink designs. Then, as a contrast, a whole series of black and white, recalling to mind the "Jourdes Morts." Beside them are pretty blouses of soft satin in very light colors, made with tiny pleats, between which are rows of wheat-colored guipure insertion embroidered in color, or garlands of pompadour bouquets.

One delightful corset is made of No. 2 sky-blue satin ribbons, crossed like the meshes of a net with valenciennes flower in each square.

A little further on I find pearls, corals, enamels, superb ceramics, massive crystals and fragile porcelain, exquisitely decorated.

Then more pretty hats, among which I notice a soft white felt covered with edelweiss; another wreathed with frosted foliage; near it a stylish marquis hat with a lophophore feather.

Next comes a shop displaying ancient furniture and prints of a superannated style, which are particularly attractive.

Lastly, I came to a window filled with mysterious figures, foreign, scented provisions, and I stop at that former desert, the enormous Place Vendome, which fashion, mingling like, has regeopled within the last few months.

I do not stop here, however. I content myself with watching the carriage wheel round the foot of the bronze column and disappear in the background formed by the Tuileries Garden. I cross the road and spend a long time, in contemplation before the shop of one of the master jewelers, where I find a tendency to still further ornament the two places at the bust where the sautoir entwines.

On a very simple chain I notice beautifully executed bunches of grapes with old curiosities, charms by the variety of

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its mixed display and then comes a great furrier, with a profusion of chin-folage twined. The grapes are formed of pink rubies of a very pretty color. This innovation will certainly take, and will be extended to all kinds of artistic combinations.

Then comes dress, pure and simple; stylish toilets, children's costumes of pink velvet covered with guipure, with a "corset brassiere" supporting the chest; yet more jewels, pins headed with a seagull, the body in enamel and the wings in precious stones; and then comes the disquieting selection of the products of the "art nouveau."

The "Art Nouveau."

Here there are strange beasts made of varnished ware, crawling among vases in the forms of flowers and women. Yet more jewels. Pear-shaped turquoises set with brilliants, mounted on flexible wires; placed like a diadem in a splendid head of hair, they would look like the antennae of a marvelous butterfly.

Another fascinating shop, filled with chilla stoles, enormous muffs and plisses fit for princesses.

After this come dealers in "Livolities." I notice a fluffy petticoat of pink mousseline de soie, incrustated with flowers of black chintilly lace; a blouse of sky-blue liberty satin, fastening down the side, and trimmed with arabesque designs of cloth to match; a combined neck trimming and scarf of pale blue taffetas, braided with comet velvet ribbon; others of tulle illusion potted with chenille. These ruches are daily becoming more like those shown in Watteau's pictures; Swiss waistbands beaded with steel, and so on.

Once more comes the seduction of jewels, this time in the form of an "art nouveau" diadem, with two orchids imitated in enamel ornamenting the forehead, binding it round in the style of the "lelie Peronniere."

Beside it is the perfection of comfort, represented by an ingenious folding table that can be used while in bed for the happiness of fair leters and convalescents.

I also admire the wise precaution of wrapping the handles of metal cups with leather. Nothing can be more odious than an unexpected contact with heated metal.

Everything teaches something here. I learn that the fetiche for December is the pearl, and I find a fine Orient pearl enshrined in a nugget of gold, a charming pendant that can be varied 12 times a year.

I am still pursued by the oppressive vision of marvelous jewels, in all forms, applied to all the uses in life. Here I see a rock crystal paper-weight in the form of a snail, there a double eyeglass

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THE ABSENT MINDED FAIRY GODMOTHER

Of course, you all know that a very great many years ago all good children had fairy godmothers. Even if you don't know it, it must be so, for so very many people who write about things say so, and people who write about things know every single thing there is to know, especially me.

In those days of which I write one little girl named Mary Emma had a fairy godmother who was very absent-minded. Indeed, she was so absent-minded at times that she forgot she was a fairy godmother at all, and so, instead of helping Mary Emma make her fortune, as

that she was old enough to go out and seek her fortune, so off she went. She had on her very best frock, a nice lunch in her basket, and she felt sure she was going to find a very nice fortune indeed. She left her mother stoning cherries on the back porch and walked on and on and on, until she had gone farther than she had ever gone before. After a while she entered a deep forest. She had been quite hot and cross in the sun, but it was delightfully cool in the forest under the great trees, and she thought that seeking one's fortune was just heaps of fun.

Mary Emma was going along singing at the top of her voice, when all at once she turned a corner of the forest and there were three robbers lying in wait for her. My! But she was frightened! She winked her left foot three times just as hard as ever she could, and her fairy

to steal the bicycle, when Mary Emma jumped on it and rode off as fast as she could ride. The robbers ran after her, called to her to stop, but she kept on. Mary Emma did not know how to ride a bicycle, but you know this was a fairy godmother bicycle, and so, of course, it could keep itself right side up.

Mary Emma soon rode the bicycle out of the forest, and then it wanted to stop and rest a while, for it said it was not used to being a bicycle and was completely tired out.

"Nonsense!" said Mary Emma. "The idea of a bicycle getting tired! I never heard of such a thing!" and she rode on faster than ever. Just as she was getting so very tired that it did not know what to do, they crossed a little bridge over a running brook. You all know that when anything that has been enchanted

at Mary Emma just as hard as he could stare, and now he dropped on one knee and told her that he thought she was the very sweetest girl he had ever seen and that he would like her to be his princess at once and for evermore. Mary Emma said that she didn't mind, for she had always wanted to be a princess, and the King said they had better hurry up about it, for dinner was almost ready and he was hungry. So they were married at once, and then they all decided that they had better send the fairy godmother home as fast as she could go, for fear she would absent-mindedly change them all into something else. The fairy godmother was getting homesick, so she flew off in a hurry, and all the rest lived happily ever after.

When the fairy godmother got home she called a convention of all the fairy godmothers in the world and told them all about the way she had been treated. They all said it was perfectly shameful and that they were a very much abused class of people. Most of them went out of business right there and then; that is why there are so very few fairy godmothers about to-day.

CHILD CHAUFFEURS IN NEW YORK

BY LILLIAN C. PASCHAL.

If you stroll through Central Park one of these fragrant, sunny afternoons you will see the heir of the Van Astorbilt millions, as well as other happy children of various ages, trundling their baby automobiles over the winding ways in victorious competition with the lesser lights in the goat carriages.

A gleam of red and black, the tiny tinkle of a silver bell, a pair of dancing brown eyes under flying curls, and a dainty little maid flies past, working the little silver-mounted lever with all the skill of a trained autoist. Her silent little speeder is somewhat reminiscent of other days, when nurse pushed her charge in a small red sleigh, for, like the sled, it is curled over in the front almost into baby's lap, and it skims along so close to the ground that the wee cushioned wheels can hardly be seen. Only now the pushing power is something more mysterious and awful than even the most automatic nurse of childhood days. It is the chained lightning of the skies, brought down, like some huge giant of a slave captured from regions unknown, docilely to serve the needs of a little child.

Next comes a trig little runabout carrying a 40-mile storage battery and a sturdy little fellow whose excited eyes, rosy cheeks and tumbled, wind-blown hair attest his joy in the exhilarating pastime. His broad sailor hat is pushed back impatiently from a tender, childish brow, and he looks, carriage and all, with his alert air and businesslike handling of his machine, like an exact miniature of his grown-up father in a full-fledged automobile.

You stop him and ask him to wait

a minute while you unstring your camera, during which minute the usual crowd of children gathers to see the picture taken. But he dimples shyly and responds while you turn the inquiring eye of the lens upon him:

"Charlie Guenther an' I live over there," pointing with a very comprehensive gesture which embraces half the horizon of Riverside.

"How old are you?"

"Half-past three," is the prompt reply.

"Well, Charlie, if you tell papa to buy a paper next Sunday you may see yourself and your electric horse."

"Hasn't dot any horse; it's a naughty mobee," he says in wondering reproval of such ignorance, as he touches the lever and whirrs away.

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of course, she should have done, she just stayed at home and kept house just like any one else. In fact, if it had not been for Emma herself, the fairy godmother might have forgotten that she had a goddaughter, but every once and a while Mary Emma would wink her left foot three times, which would immediately summon the fairy godmother to her side.

Mary Emma did not want anything at all, but she was a very far-seeing little girl, and she knew that some time she might want something, and if her fairy godmother did not have some practice, she might forget what it meant when Mary Emma winked her left foot three times, and never come at all! By the way, you can always tell whether or not you have a fairy godmother by just trying that. If a fairy godmother with a sugar loaf hat and a long wand does not appear as soon as you have winked your left foot three times, then you haven't any.

Well, one day Mary Emma decided

godmother appeared rubbing her eyes and looking very cross, for she had just been taking a nice nap when she had been so suddenly awakened. The robbers were just about to rob Mary Emma of her lunch basket when her fairy godmother appeared, but as soon as they saw her they all stepped back a few paces, clenched their teeth and said, "Poiled!"

"Oh, please change those dreadful robbers into something quick!" cried Mary Emma. Her fairy godmother looked very severely at the robbers and wadded her wand. "Why don't they change?" asked Mary Emma, and then she looked around and saw that her fairy godmother had changed herself into a bicycle by mistake.

"Oh, dear me!" said the bicycle. "Whatever shall I do now? I must have used the wrong magic formula, and now those horrid robbers will steal me." The robbers all unclenched their teeth and said, "At last!" They were just about

crosses a running brook it turns back to its former shape at once. Well, as soon as they had crossed this brook the bicycle changed back again, and Mary Emma found herself on the back of her fairy godmother's neck. "Get off the back of my neck at once!" cried the fairy godmother, crossly, for she was very tired from being a bicycle. "You ought to be ashamed of yourself—a great, big girl like you sitting on the back of an old lady like me! Sit on the back of your own neck, if you want to!" Mary Emma got down at once. Then they found that they were hungry. They sat down by the side of the road and began to eat the lunch that Mary Emma had in her basket.

They ate and rested and rested and ate until the lunch was all gone. Then Mary Emma said: "Why don't you change this lunch basket into a coach, so we can get in and ride? I don't like this walking about while I am making my fortune." The fairy godmother said

When the Prince saw the two splendid horses drawing this superb coach along the road he was delighted. He had never seen any horses before, but he had seen pictures of them in his natural history books, and, of course, he knew what they were at once. He got in the coach and drove the horses all the way to his father's palace. The horses were just as angry as they could be, and they told the Prince he was no gentleman to make ladies draw him along the road in a coach like this. The Prince said they must not dare to talk that way to a real prince, and that they were not ladies, anyway, but only horses, and that if they didn't behave themselves and trot along nicely, he would hit them with his whip.

"Oh, just you wait till we cross a running brook, and if I don't change you into a last year's mince pie, you may have my gold spectacles!" said the fairy godmother. The Prince thought that perhaps there might be something in that, so he drove them over roads that did not cross running brooks.

When they came to the palace the King, the Prince's father, was as pleased as he could be, and said that the Prince was just the dearest boy that ever lived. "You can have the coach," he said, "but send the horses to my stable and give them some oats."

"Oats, indeed!" said Mary Emma. "I'll have you and I don't change you in my life, and, what is more, I am not going to any old stable, either."

Then, as soon as they were unharnessed from the coach she and her fairy godmother started to run, but just as they had gone a few steps they crossed a wall of smoke and of smoke-water they led to the palace, and they immediately turned into their proper shapes again. Then the King was furious.

"What do you mean," he shouted, "by changing yourselves into something else when you are the only horses I have? I never heard of such conduct! Change yourself back into horses again at once!"

"I will do no such thing," said the fairy godmother. "If you think I am going to live in a stable and eat oats, you are very much mistaken."

"Seize them and cast them into the deepest dungeon!" cried the King to his army. The army got ready to seize them, and then Mary Emma and her fairy godmother were frightened almost to death.

"I guess maybe we had better change back to horses after all," said the fairy godmother.

"I guess maybe we had," said Mary Emma. So, just as the army was about to seize them, the fairy godmother waved her wand, but she did it so absent-mindedly that instead of changing herself and Mary Emma she changed the whole army into horses, and they immediately began to eat grass. The King was delighted at this, because now he had enough horses to stock his whole kingdom, and, besides, he owed the army two years' wages, and now he would never have to pay them.

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A YOUNG CHAUFFEUR.

A GAME FOR TWO.

Once upon a time a young gentleman and a younger lady were alone in a bright parlor in front of a cheerful open fire, with a table between them, playing cards. As they continued to play and chat the table was not so much between them, for they both got nearer the fire and played the game on one corner of the table.

They had started into play enche, but after an hour and a half they found that they were playing hearts.

Moral—We are not always sure what the game is.

A PUZZLE.

My first is in lemon,
But not in fruit,
My second's in little,
But not in suit,
My third is in bottle,
But not in jar,
My fourth is in near,
But not in far,
My fifth is in roller,
But not in skate,
My sixth is in lightning,
And also in late,
My seventh is in flying,
But not in doves,
My whole every true
American loves.

An inch of rainfall, the drops frozen as they form into delicate crystals, will make ten inches of snow.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The laws of Austria-Hungary are published in eight different languages.



THE WATER WILL TURN TO A MILKY HUE.

MAGIC BREATH: A PARTY TRICK

You can astonish your little friends by a very simple trick that will not seem at all simple to them and at the same time perform a most interesting experiment with very little trouble. Select some evening when several of your little playmates are together, at a party at your home, for instance, and offer to turn a glass of water into milk by breathing into it. Of course, they will not believe that you can do it, and will make all kinds of fun at your boast

of being able to. When you have their curiosity sufficiently aroused, excuse yourself from the room and get your "magic" apparatus together.

You will need some lime water, a long piece of glass and an ordinary glass tumbler. If you have no lime water in the house you can get enough for a few pennies at any drug store. Half a pint is more than enough for your trick. You can get the piece of glass from any old broken pane you can find. A piece three inches long and narrow enough to enter the tumbler at its widest part will do.

Fill the tumbler with the lime water and bring it into the room where your friends are assembled. Place it upon the table before them where they can all see it, but do not allow any of them

to taste it. Tell your friends that the magic properties of your breath will change the water into milk, and then breathe frequently into the tumbler, stirring it constantly with the piece of glass. The perfect transparent lime water will assume a milky hue, and then as you keep breathing into it will finally grow white, closely resembling skimmed milk, amid the applause of your friends.

Now, you can explain that your magic breath being combined with the water in the glass will, in a few minutes, produce chalk. Let the tumbler remain perfectly quiet for a time while you and your companions play some other game, and upon looking at it later you will find a layer of real chalk has been deposited in the bottom of the glass.



DRAW THE HATPIN ALONG THE ROW OF PINS.

HOW TO MAKE A PIN ORGAN

No doubt many of our readers are accomplished musicians, and play beautifully on the piano, violin, banjo or other musical instruments. Of course, almost all of our little friends can sing, and do sing, too, at school and Sunday school, and we feel sure that they are all very fond of music. Many of them, while very fond of instrumental music of different kinds, have no chance to play on any instrument.

Here is an instrument which you can all make, and which, while it will not be a very elaborate one, or a rival to your mamma's piano or the church organ, will give you lots of pleasure and a sense of satisfaction at having your own self made something that will really play tunes when you wish to render an in-

strumental selection. Besides this, it will greatly develop your ear for music, and so be of lasting benefit to you.

Take a soft pine board about three feet long and one foot wide, and make a heavy line down the center in lead pencil. Get a box of large pins and a light hammer, and your equipment is complete. Drive the pins in the board along the line down the center, having the pins about one-quarter of an inch apart. When the line is full of pins you are ready to tune your organ.

Take a long pin, a hatpin, for instance, and with its point bent slightly the first pin on the line. Then let it fly back, and you will find that it will give out a distinct musical note. Now you must decide what tune you want to play on your organ. When you have selected your tune you can go ahead.

The further the pin is driven into the board the higher the note it will give out when touched by the hatpin. You must rely on your ear in driving the pins various distances into the board, trying each one after each few taps of the hammer. You will find it better to drive the first pin half way into the wood, for, as some of the notes you will want will be very low, it will be necessary to have some of the pins driven in but a very little way.

When you have finished you can play a tune by simply drawing your hatpin along the line of pins. You can pick out other pieces easily enough after you have become accustomed to the various notes the pins make when struck, and with a little practice you can play almost any simple melody on your pin organ.

In the Green Room

Summary of Events in the Theatrical and Musical Realm.

Dec. 15.—Harry Beresford in "The Wrong Mr. Wright."
Dec. 20.—The Burgomaster.
Jan. 1.—The Girl from Maxima.

There will be a full in theatrical attractions in Victoria until Wednesday next, when Harry Beresford and company will be seen in the comedy, "The Wrong Mr. Wright."

The only performance this week was the presentation of the comedy "On the Quiet," by William Collier. This attraction undoubtedly ranked with "The Heiress" as one of the most satisfactory productions that have been held at the Victoria this season.

Mr. Albert Chevalier, the actor and character vocalist, has produced a volume of personal reminiscences under the title of "Before I Forget: The Autobiography of a Chevalier d'Industrie."

Speaking of Richard Mansfield, the 27-year-old actor, who has been a success in London and New York, Mr. Chevalier writes: "Mansfield is a musician both as to composition and performance; he is a writer with great power of creation; he is a writer of strength, brilliancy and originality."

"A Chance Ambassador," which Jas. K. Hackett recently produced for the first time in Baltimore, is said to fit that actor splendidly.

Mrs. Fiske is credited with an ambition to play Lady Macbeth, and may put on a revival of the famous tragedy before her New York season comes to a close.

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"The Helmet of Navarre," a dramatization, in four acts and five scenes, of Bertha Runkle's novel of the same name, by Miss Runkle and Lawrence Marston, was given its initial New York rendering on December 2nd by Chas. Dalton and his company.

Mr. Albert Chevalier, the actor and character vocalist, has produced a volume of personal reminiscences under the title of "Before I Forget: The Autobiography of a Chevalier d'Industrie."

Speaking of Richard Mansfield, the 27-year-old actor, who has been a success in London and New York, Mr. Chevalier writes: "Mansfield is a musician both as to composition and performance; he is a writer with great power of creation; he is a writer of strength, brilliancy and originality."

"The Best of Times" have scored a big hit in De Koven and Smith's "Maid Marian," which is pronounced the legitimate successor to "Robin Hood." Geo. Koberger's critic of Mansfield for the Philadelphia Inquirer, a writer of 25 years' experience, has written Reginald De Koven a letter in reference to "Maid Marian" in which he says: "In my judgment it is easily the best thing you have done and the best thing any American composer has done in this class of composition. It is fresh, bright, spontaneous and vital; full of melodic invention and harmonic skill, thoroughly artistic and musically."

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Table with columns: Lot, Block, Section, Assessed Owner, Registered Owner, Total Amount of Taxes, etc. Lists various property owners and their details.

N.B.—In column No. 4 in above list the letter L means Land and I means Land and Improvements. Dated this 25th day of November, 1901.

Re John Poole, Deceased. Notice to Creditors. Pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act" notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debts, claims or demands upon or against the estate of John Poole, deceased, who died on the 21st day of April, 1901, and of whose claims or demands notice has been given by the administrator, must present the same to the administrator on or before the 6th day of January, 1902.

Notice to Contractors. Sealed tenders, indorsed "Tender for Vernon Gaol," will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Saturday, the 21st December, 1901, for the erecting and completion of a Gaol at Vernon, B. C.

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