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ENORMOUS GERMAN LOSSES IN POLAND

ASSURANCE IS GIVEN TO HONEST BUSINESS

Trust and Currency Bills of United States Completes Wilson's Plans

ROAD IS NOW OPEN TO UNOCCLUDED SUCCESS

Reference to National Defence and Declaration Against Compulsory Service

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson departed from the prepared text of his address to congress to-day, which was devoted principally to answering those who contend that the United States is unprepared for national defence, to give notice to the business world that the legislation programme of his administration, as it affects regulation of business was practically completed. He said it had resulted in a "wide road for business to travel to unobscured success."

Honest business men, the president declared, need have nothing to fear in treading the way outlined in the trust and currency bills. While the president dwelt briefly upon the subject his words were interpreted as an assurance that no further important business legislation was contemplated. The president's remarks, in full with relation to legislation were, as follows: "Our programme of legislation with regard to the regulation of business is now virtually complete. It has been put forth as we intended, as a whole, and leaves no conjecture as to what is to follow. The road at last lies clear and firm before business. It is a road which it can travel without fear or embarrassment. It is the road to unobscured, unobscured success. In every honest man, every man who believes that the public interest is part of his own interest, may walk with perfect confidence."

In the text of his address, which touched upon the administration legislative programme for the session, urging passage of bills for Philippine independence, government-owned merchant marine and some other projects begun but unfinished at the last session, the president devoted most of his time to discussing the question of national defence, but endorsing a development of the national guard and military training for citizens. The Democratic side of both house and senate greeted with applause and laughter his declaration that some are nervous and excited but the United States will not turn into a military camp.

"And especially when half the world is on fire," said the president, "we should be careful to make our moral assurance against the spread of the contagion of every definite and certain and adequate indeed."

This sentiment was favorably received on both sides of the chamber. The Democratic side of the chamber applauded loudly when the president, in discussing national defence declared that the country never would be ready, in time of peace, to put in the field a nation of men trained to arms. Another outburst greeted his declaration against compulsory military service.

COLORADO COAL STRIKE DECLARED CLOSED TO-DAY

Humanitarian Movement to Be Continued: Miners Bow to Wisdom of President Wilson.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 8.—The Colorado coal miners' strike was to-day declared off. The order to terminate the industrial conflict which had its inception in the Northern Colorado fields in April, 1914, and which for more than 14 months has involved practically the entire coal mining industry of Colorado was contained in a communication from the international executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, presented by Frank J. Hayes, vice-president, to the union miners of Colorado in convention here to-day.

"We recognize no surrender and shall continue to propagate the principles of our humanitarian movement throughout the coalfields of Colorado," says the communication in announcing the determination of the executive board to terminate the strike.

COMMITTEE TO WATCH BOOT-MAKING NAMED

General Hughes Thinks Canadians May Have Burnt Foot-wear on Salisbury Stoves

CAPTURE OF EMDEN INSURED TEA SUPPLY

Ship Owners Make Money Dock Labor is Now Fully Employed

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The militia department will hold an investigation into allegations which have been made in regard to the boots furnished the first contingent, and the supply of boots being made for the second contingent will be supervised. The minister of militia has named a board to deal with the matter, consisting of Lt.-Col. W. Hallcock, assistant director of clothing and equipment, Ottawa; Edward Stephens, shoemaker, Ottawa, and D. St. Claire, of Barrie, Ont.

JAPAN'S BUDGET CALLS \$278,000,000 IN YEAR

Provision Made by Curtailment for Two Army Divisions and Naval Construction.

Tokyo, Dec. 8.—Japan's budget for the coming year shows estimated expenditures of 556,000,000 yen (\$278,000,000) and a decrease in the revenue of 140,000,000. The war has caused a decrease of \$8,500,000 in the customs. Curtailments of expenses to be made in some departments of the government will permit of credits for two additional army divisions, the completion of three Dreadnoughts, the construction of eight torpedo boat destroyers and two submarines and the addition of ten torpedo boat destroyers authorized last summer.

PRUSSIAN REFUGEES FLEEING TO BERLIN

Rome, Dec. 8.—Dispatches from Berlin say that more than 100,000 refugees from East Prussia are now in the capital and the number is increasing daily. The dispatches say the German authorities are encouraging the exodus, especially of able bodied men and young girls.

TO NEGOTIATE RETURN OF RUSSIAN CIVILIANS

Copenhagen, Dec. 7.—Pjanoff, a Russian court councillor, has arrived here to undertake negotiations with the Danish and German railway for the transportation of 200,000 Russian civilians who are now interned in Germany. It is said the Germans desire to be relieved of the necessity of feeding them.

WHEN THE WAR IS OVER

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PORT OF LONDON HAS NEVER BEEN BUSIER

Foodstuff Reserve Stock Five Times Larger Than It Was Last Year

CAPTURE OF EMDEN INSURED TEA SUPPLY

Ship Owners Make Money Dock Labor is Now Fully Employed

London, Dec. 8.—The war has resulted in a boom for shipping industry of Great Britain and nowhere has this been felt more than in London. The port of London never has been busier, and notice just posted by the association of master lightermen appeals to shipowners and manufacturers to do all in their power to obtain the prompt discharge of cargoes as a measure of relief for the unusual congestion of traffic.

As for foodstuffs, the present stock is five times larger than it was this time last year. Of grain there are 150,000 tons now at and about for London. The stock of barley on hand is twice the usual amount, but the stock of oats is lower than customary. The supply of meats is not as large as had been planned. Steamers to carry meat require special refrigerating machinery and the government has commandeered a considerable part of the available shipping of this character for use in carrying meat supplies to the troops. Arrangements now are being made, however, for bringing into use such of the captured German vessels in Australia and South Africa as possess refrigerating apparatus.

The supply of tea apparently was affected by the activity of the German cruiser Emden in the Far East. With this menace removed heavy arrivals are expected shortly.

The shortage of lumber which was noted during the early part of the war has been remedied by the arrival of vast quantities from the Baltic and Archangel.

Trade from Archangel and the Baltic has been active since the lines than lumber. Immense quantities of eggs from Russia as well as other produce and supplies of various kinds have been large and there has been, of course, a large return trade.

The demand for shipping of all kinds came at a time when the trade was expecting depression if not paralysis. With the beginning of the war, freight rates began to rise steadily and sometimes rapidly.

Freights for grain from the Platte have more than doubled in three months and freights from the Pacific coast of North America have advanced more than a third. The increase was due in considerable part to the effect of the acquisition of many vessels by the governments of Britain, Russia and France, but at the same time with this withdrawal of vessels there came and undoubted expansion of trade.

Part of the revenue to shipowners from increased freights have gone into increased expenses. War insurance has been heavy; the cost of coal and stores have been higher and the wages of seamen have been advanced by leaps and bounds.

In London it is noted that since the war began dock labor has been fully employed for the first time in years. About 1500 London dock laborers have been taken to France for work in unloading transports. A November report from the Port of London authority says: "Casual labor has ceased to exist in this city and our observation of labor generally in the east end of London is that with a few exceptions there is no distress caused by lack of work."

TWO CHILDREN BURNED SUCCUMB TO INJURIES

Mother Locked Little Ones in and When Fire Occurred Forgot Where Key Was.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 8.—Two children, aged three and four years, of Mr. and Mrs. John Niemi, 171 Fitzgerald street, are dead from burns received when they were left alone in the house which was locked by Mrs. Niemi to keep them inside while she went to the stable to milk the cow. Evidently the little ones, a boy and a girl, started the fire which was noticed by neighbors who gave the alarm. In her excitement Mrs. Niemi forgot what she had done with the key and much time was lost in breaking a window to get the little ones out. They were rushed to a hospital but lived only a few hours. The mother's arms and wrists were badly cut in breaking the glass. The home was destroyed.



Lower End of Battle-Line, Location of Recent Heavy Fighting in Western Theatre of War

Battle on Yser Is Resumed Victory Gained Near Arras Ground Is Won in Argonne

Amsterdam, Dec. 8.—According to telegrams from Sluis, Holland, fierce fighting has been resumed on the Yser. The Germans, according to the same dispatches, are taking renewed precautions against the bombardment of Zeebrugge by British warships. Windows and balconies at the seaside there are being protected with sandbags.

Machine guns are being put in place in order to reply to such an attack.

Official Report of Fighting in Western Area.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Increased activity on the part of the Germans in Belgium is reported in the official statement given out here to-day. The statement is as follows: "During the day of the seventh, the enemy has been more active than the day before, in the region of the Yser and in the neighborhood of Ypres. Our artillery has answered back with success."

"In the region of Arras a very brilliant attack has given us possession, as we have announced, of Vermelles and Rutoire. Vermelles had been for nearly two months the scene of desperate fighting. The enemy had taken footing there on October 16, and from October 21 to October 25 succeeded in forcing us back from that locality. From the 25th of October, sapping and mining operations brought us back until we were again in close contact, and on the first of December we reoccupied the park and chateau of Vermelles."

"In the region of the Aisne and in Champagne there have been some artillery engagements, and our heavy artillery dispersed several gatherings of the enemy."

"In the Argonne forest of Gurte and to the northwest of Pont a Mousson, forest of Lepretre, we have gained a little ground."

"Along the rest of the front there is nothing to report."

PRESENTS FOR ORPHANS OF AUSTRIA AND GERMANY

Christmas Ship Jason Calls at Genoa With Cargo From United States.

Genoa, via Rome, Dec. 8.—The American Christmas ship Jason, which arrived here yesterday with gifts for the war orphans of Austria and Germany, was stopped by three warships on her way to this port from Marseilles. The warships, as soon as they learned the character of the vessel and her cargo, immediately drew off, but not before the Jason had wished Godspeed to the officers and crew.

MOUNTAIN TOWN IN PERU RUINED BY EARTHQUAKE

Lima, Peru, Dec. 8.—The small mountain town of Coracora, in the department of Ayacucho, about 300 miles southwest of Lima, was shaken by a severe earthquake on Sunday. There were several casualties. The town is in ruins.

HUNDRED THOUSAND CASUALTIES—RUINS AND POVERTY LEFT

Germans Took Everything and Left Country in Waste; Religious Feelings of Poles Outraged Systematically; Greater Suffering Than in Belgium

Prisoners Sent Through Kiev Numbered One Hundred and Thirty Thousand and Two Thousand Five Hundred Officers

Petrograd, Dec. 8.—The losses of the German army during the last three weeks of General von Hindenberg's invasion of Poland have been unprecedented. His five army corps, which for a time were surrounded by Russians, had more than 30,000 killed and wounded. Some regiments were reduced to a few companies.

The trenches are full of the corpses of men, many of whom were frozen to death after being wounded. The only railway line from the battle field, that to Imolenky, carried nineteen trains loaded with prisoners. Through Kiev there passed 130,000 soldiers who had been taken captive in addition to 2,500 officers, including six generals and many colonels.

Turkish Officers Serving in German Army.

The Bourse Gazette estimates the German casualties in the month of fighting around Lodz at 100,000, and says the percentage of loss is particularly high among the commanding and commissioned officers. Even colonels and occasionally generals, it says, remained on the firing line until they were able to escape only by means of motor cycles.

According to wounded German officers in the prison camp at Bieroostok, Russia, a number of Turkish officers are serving in the German army in Poland. It is said that they have been training in the German military school and were drafted on account of the lack of competent officers.

Western Poland is absolutely a ruin, where the German army passed. The villages have been wiped out and the towns, if not quite destroyed, have suffered terribly.

Plotska, Kielce, Radom, Piotrkow, Rawa, Kalisch, Warsaw and Lodz all bear traces of fire and explosions. The endless requisitioning and looting has left the population destitute.

The Germans, it is declared, took forcibly not only money, food and cattle, but even clothes from the backs of the inhabitants, with their bedding and boots.

Churches Used as Stables, Then Burned.

In many places the peasants are exposed to the danger of being starved and frozen at the same time. It is further alleged that the Germans have systematically outraged the religious feelings of the Poles. Cathedrals and schools in Kalisch were used as stables and afterward destroyed.

All over Russia public subscriptions and collections for the distressed are being taken, but help is inadequate, as the number of sufferers in Poland is probably greater than in Belgium.

Victory Not Fully Conceded at Lodz.

Amsterdam, Dec. 8.—The Berlinger Tageblatt, in commenting on the capture of Lodz, Poland, by the Germans, considers that it may only positively be called a victory if the Russian retreat is followed by a German pursuit.

If such pursuit is victorious, it says, then the German centre will be strong enough to act forcibly against the northern and southern parts of a broken Russian army.

RUSSIANS CONSIDERING ABANDONMENT OF LODZ

Statement From General Staff Tells of Reforming of the Russian Lines.

Petrograd, Dec. 8.—An official statement given out to-day by the general staff of the Russian army indicated that the Russians were considering the abandonment of Lodz. This statement says: "During the fighting in the second half of the month of November, Lodz acquired great military importance, but the German offensive on the Lodz-Lowicz line having failed, the question of the defence of Lodz lost its urgency. The defence of this large city presents many difficulties from the military point of view and gives to our front an abnormal contour which is embarrassing to our communications with the rear. It may therefore be expected that with the setting in of a lull on the left bank of the Vistula, the Russian lines in the region of Lodz will be reformed."

LADY ROBERTS THANKS CANADA FOR MESSAGE

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Lady Roberts, in a cable to the minister of militia, received to-day, presents her compliments to Major-General Hughes and begs to thank him and the citizen soldiers of Canada for their most welcome and kindly expression of sympathy sent in connection with the death of Earl Roberts.

LATE NIGHT WAR NEWS

BELGIUM CALLS FOR PROOF FROM GERMANY

Wants Documents on Neutrality Question Alleged to Have Been Found Published

Washington, Dec. 7.—The Belgian legation to-day made public the following statement: "The Belgian minister, whose country, in the hour of her great affliction, has received such precious help from the American people, begs that the following statement may be made known to them:

"In a recent speech made by the German chancellor to the representatives of the German people, he lays the blame for the invasion of Belgium, with all its terrible consequences, on Belgium, and as a proof of this astonishing accusation he claims that documents have been found in Brussels establishing that Belgium had surrendered her neutrality to Great Britain.

"The Belgian government has requested that these alleged documents should be published in full, thus proving the falsity of such a charge. Three months have elapsed since the alleged discovery, but nothing has appeared.

"In case these documents are published it will be seen that they do not constitute an agreement between Belgium and Great Britain against Germany, as the German chancellor claims them to be. They are possibly a military plan drawn between the British military attaché and the Belgian staff to be effective in case Germany should violate Belgian neutrality, which she effectively did in August last.

"It would indeed be humorous, should the matter not be too serious for such a term, that the German government should call a breach of neutrality this for its object the fortification of Belgium's neutrality against a possible aggressor. Even this has shown too clearly, alas, how much such a precaution against German projects would have been timely."

"Why, Mrs. Robinson, what is the house all upset for? You're not going to move, are you?" "Oh, no, indeed! One Jane was married last week, and she just took away the things she thought belonged to her."

LARGEST AIRSHIP WAS LAUNCHED LAST MONTH

Seven Zeppelins Built at Friedrichshafen Completed Since August 17

Geneva, Switzerland, Nov. 26.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—At the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen, on Lake Constance more than 1,000 workmen since the beginning of the war have been employed in the construction of dirigible balloons instead of a normal working force of 400 men. In place of the usual working period of eight hours a day, the men all except have been divided into day and night shifts of twelve hours each, so that more than 900 are always engaged. All the finished materials and fittings as well as sections of the airship envelopes arrive from other parts of Germany ready-made and the workmen at Friedrichshafen have only to put them together. This makes it possible to build a Zeppelin in three weeks.

The latest and strongest Zeppelin ever built sailed to the north November 5 direct from the Friedrichshafen works without previous trial trips. It carried a crew of thirty officers and men. In a special basket the Zeppelin carried fifty torpedoes and bombs, each said to be capable of as much damage as the famous sixteen-inch gun. One of the bombs, during a trial near Friedrichshafen, penetrated the earth five yards. All the Zeppelins built since the beginning of the war have been armed similarly.

Dradnought Zeppelins were launched August 17, September 3 and 1, and October 15 and November 5, and two others of the same type at the beginning of August, making a total of seven.

These formidable aerial vessels are said to be able to resist successfully any aeroplane attacks. They can sail with a weight of two or three tons; they have seventeen to eighteen independent gas compartments and water-plans that will allow them to land on water, if necessary, and continue their flight later. At Friedrichshafen they are called marine airships and in small letters on their hulls are painted the significant words, "Meant for London."

Officially in Germany there has been built up to the present thirty-one Zeppelins, but only the most recent dozen count with the military authorities. The older ships are employed in dropping casual bombs on towns, but otherwise doing the work of captive balloons, their places as scouts having been taken by aeroplanes. The new airships are being kept in reserve. It is asserted for the raid on England and especially London.

The German staff and Count Zeppelin are understood to hold the opinion that fifteen to twenty Zeppelins of the latest type are necessary for a successful attack on London, and this number is expected to be ready early next year. All the latest airships carry several machine guns on special platforms and one large gun, each.

LAST CASUALTY LIST

London, Dec. 7.—The following casualties were announced to-day: Killed—Derby, Second Lieut. Worcester-shire Regiment. Previously reported wounded, now reported killed—Henderson, Lieut. N. W. A., Scottish Fusiliers. Wounded—Dennison, Second Lieut. the Hon. H., First Life Guards; Chapell, Captain W. H., 7th Dragoon Guards; Fletcher, Captain C., East Lancashire Regiment; Ingram, Major J. M., Royal Field Artillery.

CABINET MINISTERS TO ADDRESS MANY MEETINGS

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Members of the cabinet are to deliver addresses throughout the country in order to inform the people as to the policy and purpose of the government regarding the war in Europe.

WILSON IS OPPOSED TO GARDNER'S PLANS

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Wilson announced to-day that he was opposed to Representative Gardner's plan for investigating the preparedness of the United States for national defence because he thought it was an unwise way of handling a question which might create very unfavorable international impressions.

MAIL STEAMERS TO SAIL IN AND OUT OF ST. JOHN

St. John, N. B., Dec. 7.—In connection with the plans for the winter mail steamer service Mayor Frink and J. M. Robinson, of the board of trade, interviewed Hon. Mr. Hazen, who informed them that all the mail steamers this winter will sail from St. John, sealing at Halifax both inward and outward-bound.

PRESIDENT POINCARÉ RETURNING TO PARIS

Bordeaux, Dec. 7.—President Poincaré will transfer his official residence to Paris this week. He will arrive there in time to preside at a cabinet meeting Friday.

PRISONERS WILL LIVE ON SHIPS FOR WINTER

Britain Has Twenty-Five Thousand Austrians and Germans in Camps

London, Dec. 7.—Investigation of the detention camps at Newbury, Frimley, the Olympia in London and Douglas, Isle of Man, where German and Austrian prisoners are held by the British government, shows that in these camps there are nearly 14,000 prisoners. The number throughout the British Isles is about 25,000. There is discontent, but the prisoners are not subjected to genuine hardships. With the coming of colder weather the suffering among those compelled to live in tents is keen, for the tents are not heated. They are being abandoned, however, and in a fortnight more all prisoners will be under permanent cover.

Several thousands will be placed aboard, nine ships being prepared for the purpose. Some of the ships are liners which have been in the Atlantic service, and it is expected that aboard them the prisoners will be comfortable.

Medical reports show the condition of the prisoners to be good. The treatment accorded them so far as food and accommodations are not concerned is virtually the same as that accorded the British soldier. In the four camps there have been only ten deaths. Five of the prisoners were killed by guards during the recent rioting at the camp at Douglas. Four deaths were due to natural causes not related with the rigors of confinement. The tenth was an accident, a German soldier being thrown from a motor truck.

Olympia, a vast dark and gloomy place, is a sort of clearing house for the alien enemies. When rounded up in London they are confined there for a brief period and then sent to regularly established camps elsewhere. At the beginning there was great discomfort. No preparations had been made for the reception of thousands of prisoners. Men were compelled to sleep on stone floors. The food, while ample, was not well prepared. But conditions have steadily improved. The coldest weather has been experienced by those under canvas. Recently prisoners at Newbury, Douglas and Frimley have awakened in the morning to find ice in the bottom of their cups. The tents have wooden floors and each prisoner has a straw mattress and four blankets.

If the prisoners need clothing they are given good apparel, including heavy overcoats, suits, shirts, underclothing, socks and army boots, as well as necessary toilet articles. The food is issued by the British army commissariat. Each prisoner is given daily eight ounces of fresh meat, eight of vegetables, two of peas, lentils or beans, a pound and a half of white bread, condensed milk, tea, butter and salt and pepper.

The materials are turned over to the prisoners, some of whom are cooks and prepared by them.

NO MOBILIZATION OF SECOND CONTINGENT

Troops Will Not Leave for Six Weeks To Join Transports Direct.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 7.—Some indication of the plans of the militia department for the second contingent was given by Major-General Hughes in an interview with Mayor Frink of St. John, who returned from Ottawa this morning. The mayor presented to the minister the request of this city that St. John be chosen as the place of mobilization for the second contingent prior to their departure. Major-General Hughes assured him that there would be no mobilization but that the troops would leave the places at which they have been trained only in time to connect with their transports. He also announced that the soldiers for the second contingent will remain where they are for at least six weeks, and probably more.

BRITISH IMPORTS ARE LESS, EXPORTS DECREASE

London, Dec. 7.—The British board of trade figures continue to show a natural effect of the war. Imports in November decreased \$2,460,000, exports decreased \$100,770,000. While the imports of food increased \$23,000,000 there was a decrease of \$22,500,000 in the importation of cotton from America and decrease in Egyptian cotton of \$7,700,000. All other raw material also declined. The principal shrinkage in exports were \$25,000,000 in cotton and yarns and \$10,000,000 in coal.

DROUGHT IN AUSTRALIA CONDITIONS VERY BAD

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—In a report to the department of trade and commerce, F. O. Press, Canadian commissioner at Melbourne, states that the drought conditions which caused a two-thirds shrinkage in the Australian wheat crop still continue. The outlook for the sustenance of the large flocks of sheep and herds of cattle, he says, could scarcely be worse. The wheat area he describes as being in a deplorable condition, while trade is more depressed by the vagaries of the climate than by the European war.

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Washington, Dec. 7.—Capital society's latest activity, that of knitting garments for stricken Belgians, appeared in the halls of congress to-day, while the galleries were filling before the session opened, several young women brought their knitting and pile their needles vigorously on matters.

London, Dec. 7.—The football association decided to-day to proceed with the annual cup competitions, both amateur and professional during the coming season, and this in spite of the allegations made in some quarters recently that the playing of football had interfered with recruiting.

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WAR HAS CAUSED DOLL SHORTAGE FOR EUROPE

Austria and Germany Had Most of Trade; British Firms Start Manufacturing

London, Dec. 7.—At this time of the year the question of the available supply of toys and dolls becomes of importance and it is hard to realize, until war conditions bring it home, how dependent this supply is on one or two sources.

For some years Germany and Austria have been rapidly acquiring control of this trade, until at present, in many lines they are practically the suppliers of the world; the imports into the United Kingdom alone, chiefly from this source, approaching £1,500,000 in value for 1913.

The German toy trade, with the colonies, is also growing very rapidly. British South Africa taking roughly goods to the value of £150,000 in 1913 against a total of about £65,000 in 1912, a remarkable increase in one year.

The existing stock of toys and dolls in England is fast diminishing with little hope of its being replenished while the war lasts, and already some of the largest importers are refusing all wholesale orders for many classes of dolls and novelties. In the course of conversation with one of London's largest toy dealers, the information was obtained that the particular branches suffering most were the small goods and mechanical clockwork novelties coming chiefly from Austria, and the cheap and medium priced dolls, a practical monopoly for which is possessed by Germany, where the trade has been so specialized that factories exist engaged in nothing else but the manufacture of eyes for dolls.

The casting of china dolls' heads also has become purely a German industry, although some of the finest quality dolls are made in France, the material used is not pure china, but a very durable composition.

Some incentive to manufacture may be given by citing the case of one of the most successful recent toys, the quaint little doll known as "Kewpie," which has endeared itself to children young and old to such an extent that in the two years it has been on the market the sales have run into hundreds of thousands, and the happy inventor and the manufacturer have made a small fortune.

One or two of the Staffordshire pottery firms have been experimenting with the idea of taking up this line of work, and although first attempts were not altogether successful, the work requiring experience and great care, there is every reason to expect shortly a satisfactory substitute for the German article. There is naturally a disinclination to lay down a plant and to go in extensively for this new class of work without some form of guarantee that the industry will not be ousted when peace is declared and Germany and Austria ready to export again. Other parts of dolls, such as china limbs, and so forth, are already cast in London, and a firm in Birmingham is now manufacturing successfully and in large quantities dolls' eyes, having overcome the initial difficulties in this rather complicated industry.

LIVES OF JURYMEN AT CHICAGO THREATENED

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Measures to protect members of the grand jury that returned indictments against Captain John J. Halpin, deposed chief of the detective bureau; Lieut. John H. Toole and Walter I. O'Brien, a former detective, charging them with having accepted bribes were taken to-day.

Letters threatening their lives have been received by three members of the grand jury, according to State Attorney Hoyle. Telephone calls to their residences, carrying similar threats of death, also have been received by the men.

The state's attorney announced that he had obtained evidence against twenty-five more members of the detective bureau, formerly in Captain Halpin's charge, and that policemen were falling over themselves to confess in return for immunity.

APPROVES CLOSING OF BARS AT EARLIER HOUR

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 7.—This association most sincerely and heartily congratulates the government on the forward step taken by it in a recent order-in-council, which proposes to close the bars and the retail sale of liquor at 7 p.m., and the wholesale places at 6 p.m. each evening, and expresses the hope that public sentiment may not only support the government in its action, but may urge and enable the government and the legislature to take still further steps for the suppression of the liquor traffic.

FORESTRY CONFERENCE SITTING AT TACOMA

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 7.—About 75 representatives of forest protective associations of the northwestern Pacific States and British Columbia are attending the conference of western forestry and conservation in this city. A. W. Flewelling, of Spokane, is president.

Various phases of forestry work, timber insurance and needed legislation will be embraced in the two days' session closing with a banquet in the Commercial club Tuesday night.

Patriotic Teacher—"England excels—"
Now, will one of you boys finish the sentence? "England excels—"
Bright Pupil—"To win!"—Punch.

SCHWAB WILL NOT BUILD SUBMARINES SAYS BRYAN

Defers to President Wilson's Views Regarding Neutrality of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Secretary Bryan announced late to-day that Charles M. Schwab had informed him that the Fore River Shipbuilding company would submit to the views of President Wilson and would not build submarines for any European belligerent.

Secretary Bryan gave out the following statement: "When information reached the state department that the Fore River company was planning to build a number of submarines for one of the allies, inquiry was made to ascertain the facts. As a result of this inquiry, Mr. Schwab called at the state department last week with his attorney and laid before the department what his company had planned to do, stating that before undertaking the work he had obtained the opinion of a number of international lawyers and was keeping within the requirements of neutrality as outlined by them."

"I stated to him that the president has, in his opinion, upon information already obtained, regarded the work, as contemplated, a violation of the spirit of neutrality, but told him I would lay his statement before the president and then give him a final answer."

"On Friday I had a conference with the president and he instructed me to inform Mr. Schwab that his statement only confirmed him in the opinion previously formed, that the submarines should not be built. Within a few minutes after my return from the White House, Mr. Schwab called me by long distance telephone and told me that he submitted to the president's views on the subject and that I could announce that this firm would not build submarines for any belligerent country for delivery during the war. This closes the submarine incident."

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Eight submarines are building here at the Union Iron Works, in which Charles M. Schwab is interested.

John A. McGregor, president of the company, took the ground that it was filling a structural order for the Electric Boat company, the nature of which and the ultimate destination of which were none of his business or knowledge. The Electric Boat company is the holder of patents on one type of submarines.

Man of the House (in loud and angry voice)—"Confound it! Shut that door out there? Shut that door this minute!"
Servant (appearing with wretched dignity)—"Do ye know who ye're hollerin' at?"
Man of House (collapsed)—"Oh! excuse me, Mary; I thought it was my wife."

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| Hat Brushes, \$1.50 and .50c | Hair Ties, in different styles, \$1.25 down to .25c |
| Jewel and Trinket Boxes, round with bevelled glass tops, 65c and .50c | Nail Polishers, 75c; or with removable leather .90c |
| Plain Ivory Jewel and Trinket Boxes, \$1.50 and \$1.25 | Dressing Combs, straight and rattle, with handles, 65c, 50c |
| Manicure Cases, with grained ivory fittings, \$3.25 and \$2.50 | Glove Stretchers, \$1 and .75c |
| Powder and Tooth Powder Boxes, in different shapes and sizes, \$1, 75c, 25c, 20c and 10c | Baby Sets in Cases, brush, comb, soap box, powder box, puff and rattle. Per set \$1.25 |
| Shoe Lifts, with or without button hook, 90c, 75c and .50c | Baby Sets, with brush, comb and powder box only. Per set .90c |
| Clothes Brushes \$1.75 | |

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INQUIRES EXTENT U. S. IS SUPPLYING MUNITIONS

Washington, Dec. 8.—The senate adopted yesterday a resolution introduced by Senator Hitchcock, requesting the secretary of commerce to report on the extent of shipment of arms and other munitions of war to belligerent nations of Europe or to Canada.

LIBEL JURY DISAGREES.

London, Dec. 7.—After a hearing extending over several days the jury to-day disagreed in the action brought for libel against Canada, a newspaper published here, the plaintiffs being a Brandon syndicate. The ground of action was the defendant's criticism of the plaintiff's advertisement of the Athol estate at Brandon, which was offered for sale in plots.

OFFICIAL SHOE BULLETIN

Christie's Official Statement Says That the Great RETRENCHMENT SALE

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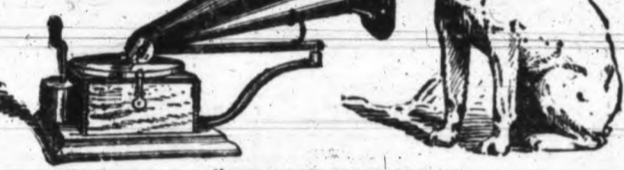
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THE WAR.

The occupation of Lodz by the Germans in northern Poland is the most prominent item of the war news of the last few days, but while the incident will be used to stimulate the flagging confidence of the German people, it can have no important effect upon the eastern campaign. Lodz has changed hands three times within the last two months. It is an unfortified city of four hundred thousand people and during the recent perplexing situation it projected into the German lines in such a way that it was subjected to bombardment from three sides. Berlin officially claims that the Germans captured 1,500 Russian prisoners and sixteen ammunition carts. Obviously, therefore, the garrison of Lodz evacuated the place rather than expose it to further destruction. Its possession was not vital to the Russian campaign; in fact, it was taken by the German corps retreating westward, not by the reinforcements advancing eastward.

The Russians will straighten out their front on the east of Lodz, probably on the line of Plock, Gombin, Lowiez, Bieskow, Piotrkow, the right and left flanks being thrown forward. The purpose of this army is to hold the main German forces in Poland, while the pressure upon Hungary and in front of Cracow continues. It is hardly likely that the Germans will repeat the effort against Warsaw, for they are not in sufficient numbers to try it. Their army in Poland cannot exceed six hundred thousand men, and the Russians have either on their front or behind them a considerable numerical superiority. Within the last three weeks the Germans have lost in Poland at least a quarter of a million men in killed, wounded and prisoners. More than 130,000 Germans and Austrians have passed through the several points for the registration of prisoners on the way to the interior of Russia. Meanwhile very little has come from western Galicia or Hungary. Austria, apprehensive of Roumania's intervention, has massed a considerable force at Fokaras, north of the Hungarian-Roumanian frontier, thereby weakening her offensive in Serbia, with the result that the Serbians have driven back the army which was advancing in the northeastern part of their country. There is little doubt, too, that the Serbian army is receiving reinforcements from the outside. Russians reached them along the Danube, while a few days ago twenty transports landed men, nationally not stated, at the Montenegrin seaport of Antivari. The latter may be intended for an assault upon Cattaro, where the Austrian fleet is bottled up.

In the western front the French bulletin reports renewed German activity in Belgium. This, no doubt, is designed to offset the offensive operations of the French in the Woerwa district. Evidently, however, the Germans will not attempt seriously to carry out the Kaiser's command to take Calais by December 10. They are farther from their goal now than they were when they began their assaults upon the Dixmude-Ypres line. Between Belgium and Lens, in northern France, the village of Vernelles has been captured by the French, who now are immediately south of Labasse, where the Germans are in strength. Labasse, thus is likely to be attacked from the west and south.

Austrian sentiment is furious at the attitude of Italy, as indicated by the speech of the Italian premier, and Italians in the dual monarchy are having a hard time. A discreet silence is the best course for Austria to pursue in regard to Italy. The Italians are simply itching to get their fingers on the throat of what Lloyd George describes as a ramshackle empire, and only await the necessary provocation. Austria has massed three hundred thousand men at Trieste, Pola and Trent, but Italy is prepared to

throw a million soldiers across the frontier. When the clash comes the allies should see to it that the sword is not sheathed until Austria is carved into her original fragments. She is a crazy quilt entirely anyway, made up of shreds and patches stolen by a high-handed oligarchy from neighboring states. She could be wiped off the map and never missed.

LOCAL PATRIOTISM AND BUSINESS.

Victorians sometimes are said to be lacking in local patriotism, meaning thereby that they seem to believe nothing good can be produced in or come out of their own city. There is no question as to the fact that our people are large patrons of stores and shops in the Old Country and of the big departmental establishments in Eastern Canada. They even flock in considerable numbers to Seattle and other points across the border, incidentally breaking the customs laws of Canada by trafficking in contraband goods. But that is one of the traits we all have inherited from our ancestors. It always has been a hard matter to convince a Briton that there is anything inherently wrong in outwitting the "gaugers." There may have been some justification for that kind of enterprise in the days when means of transportation were difficult and distribution restricted. There is no excuse for it now. Goods of the highest quality are carried by Victoria merchants, and our manufactured articles are second to none in their class. If the prices have not been right in the past, with the advent of different conditions they will be so in the future. Inflation is one of the evils of boom times. Our feet are upon solid economic ground again. It is not necessary to point out that if business in Victoria is to be established upon a permanently solid foundation this habit which threatens to make us a mere business outpost instead of an active trade centre must be fought against and overcome. Citizens should give the matter their most serious consideration, asking themselves what it means to the place they all are interested in seeing flourish when millions of dollars annually are sent out to help in building up business in other centres. Trade within the Empire is a good motto, trade within the Dominion is better, but trade within our city is the best, provided our local traders will give their customers a "square deal." That is the vital thing, and it is an undertaking, we believe, which will not be shirked.

LESS TALK THE BETTER.

An Ottawa dispatch says: "Relieved somewhat from the strain of the preparations for the war, the members of the cabinet will now be able to deliver addresses throughout the country in order to inform the people directly as to the policy and purpose of the government regarding the great struggle which is going on in Europe."

At this critical stage only one thing should draw the federal ministers from the council chamber to the platform, and that is the promotion of recruiting. There is no need to open a campaign of speeches expounding the government's policy relative to the war, for there can be only one policy in that direction, and everybody knows what it is. Nor is there any difference of opinion in regard to it. Addresses by the Prime Minister to Canadian clubs, of course, are quite timely and proper, but if Major-General Hughes, the Honorable J. D. Hazen and all the other members of the cabinet are going on a lecture tour, somebody in authority ought to lead them aside and tell them to keep quiet pending the determination of the most momentous issue that ever confronted the British Empire. We should bear in mind that Germany is fighting for world power or downfall, while Britons, Canadians, Australians and the other peoples of the empire are engaged in defending everything they hold dear.

We do not share the comfortable feeling of our statesmen at headquarters that we have done our part. Australia has sent more men than we have; she has taken possession of German colonies in the Pacific; one of her warships has destroyed the Emden and relieved the greatest trade route of the empire of its deadliest menace, and the rest of her navy is assisting the British and Japanese fleet in rounding up the sole remaining German squadron outside the North Sea and the Baltic. Our duty is to send many thousands more men without delay, and until we are represented in Europe by an army large and formidable enough to justify our frequent claim to be the most important of British Dominions, our cabinet ministers, to whom we look for the discharge of that duty, should refrain from engaging in speech-making tours.

There is another reason why the ministry should stick to the council chamber just now, and that is the necessity of dealing with trying economic conditions and drafting some policy which will prepare the country for the sudden wrench which will follow the conclusion of the war. Although orders for military supplies have helped industrial conditions, there remains a great deal of distress and unemployment, while the cost of living still is at an impossible figure. These and kindred matters should be

dealt with at once. We observe that the session of parliament is to be postponed further, the date of the opening being set forward to February. The two houses should be called together early in January at the very latest, and it is there that the Prime Minister and colleagues can give an authoritative exposition of the government policy relative to the war and Canadian problems generally. Why should Canadian statesmen resort to a parrot-like repetition of the ministrations of British, France, or any of the other dominions or states participating in the most momentous struggle in the history of the world?

HUMAN BONDS.

Commenting on Sir Robert Borden's speech at Toronto, the Yorkshire Observer says: "We can all remember the apprehension expressed only a year ago lest Canada should throw in her lot with the United States, yet this is the country which within six weeks of the outbreak of war raised 25,000 men, not for the defence of her own shores, but for service of the empire. She has since raised as many more and is prepared to furnish ten times as many if need be. Those human bonds are the strongest which appear most fragile, because they allow to each unit the greatest possible freedom of individual movement."

Quite so, but three years ago a great political party in this country and a considerable element across the Atlantic declared that Canada's loyalty was a purchasable commodity, which would be alienated by the extension of trade between its people and those of the adjoining republic. They insisted that there was some potent and mysterious talisman in customs duties which kept the Canadian populace from rushing into the ardent embrace of the United States. Even the proposal of Dominion status was held to be a manifestation of the separatist spirit by that peculiar, suspicious school of political thought which fears to trust the honor and patriotism of a free people. The loyalty of Canada and Australia is a human bond of empire based solely upon the widest measure of freedom in every channel along which lies their prosperity and happiness. There is nothing new in this idea, but, curiously enough, there always will be a considerable circle of Bourbons who, learning nothing from history—from even this war—will insist that the principle of autonomy for each of the imperial units is unsound and dangerous.

FRANCE AND HER ARMY.

British newspapers pay the loftiest tributes to the spirit of the French people and the valor of their army. It is impossible for the inhabitants of Canada and the United Kingdom to appreciate adequately the conditions under which France is enduring the life and death struggle in which she is engaged. If a considerable part of their territory were in the possession of invaders; their most productive fields ravaged; their beautiful cities destroyed by shell-fire; millions of people homeless and many non-combatants dead through accident or outrage; their historic edifices, the objects of their just pride for centuries, razed to the ground; with probably three-quarters of a million fine young men killed, wounded, prisoners or sick, and every able-bodied male between eighteen and forty-five under arms, they would realize what this war has done to France.

Yet, as far as we can judge, no people are enduring the strain with greater calmness or determination. The most volatile race in the world in time of peace, the race which never is happy without a social or political sensation once a week, is exhibiting a silent, unobtrusive resolution which is one of the most wonderful things of this extraordinary world upheaval. We begin to understand now how France, which has had more terrible wars than any two other nations of the world combined, wars in which she has been victor and vanquished, remains one of the greatest of powers, with strength in men and means unimpaird. The source of her marvellous vitality lies in the genius of a people whose external eccentric show was merely the veneer which disguised a spirit that was like tempered steel.

In our righteous pride in the achievement of our own men at the front we are apt to overlook the exploits and circumstances of France's army. While the British force has held vitally important points with a gallantry which has won the highest praise from our allies, we should remember that, so far, our troops hold but a very small part of the three-hundred-mile battle front in the west, probably not more than twenty-five miles of it. At the outside we cannot have more than four hundred thousand men in the line, while France has probably two millions. Moreover, it should not be forgotten that the battles in the Argonne and along the Meuse are strategically of great importance, although from the standpoint of Britain the blocking of the German attempt upon Calais or Dunkirk was imperatively necessary. Between the Argonne and the Meuse there must be more than two million Frenchmen and Germans engaged in constant attacks and counter-attacks. A decisive victory at either point would have greater bearing upon the western

issue than any other success along the front. We hear very little of these terrific conflicts, because it is not the France of 1870 that is at war. She has done with hero or dynastic worship. She ended it on the fatal day of Sedan. After many centuries she learned that her real strength lay not in the genius of a few world-famous men but in the people who had made them what they were. The Bourbons and Bonapartists tumbled from their pedestals when they lost the popular support. Thus, as far as France is concerned, this is a people's war. Joffre embodies the spirit, though not the practice, of the Great Revolution, in shutting off the spotlight. Only the names of the prominent generals are known to the French people. Nobody knows where they or their corps are. If a big battle is won in the Argonne or northern France the bulletin merely tells of a success by "our forces." The glory does not go to the leaders, but every man, woman and child of France shares in it. And when it is over the fine old soldier upon whose broad shoulders rests the responsibility for the salvation of his country will be content with no other manifestation of its gratitude than promotion to the rank of Field Marshal and the little symbol of the order founded by the most successful of all warriors upon his breast. Such is the France which Germany thought had reached the nadir of decadence and impotence.

"It's a short, short march to Calais." That's the song the Germans are singing, according to the testimony of correspondents, who, denied the privilege of beholding actual fighting, must have something to send to their papers. True, the distance, measured in miles, from the front of the German army to the point from which the invasion of Great Britain is to commence, is not long, but our Teutonic imitators have been a considerable time in getting there. They are to be in Calais on the 10th, according to the revised programme, and still have a long, long way to go. And they will find the road rough and encumbered with many obstacles. However, we are told in the dispatches to-day that the Germans again have become active in Belgium. Perhaps they are going to make a final desperate attempt to accomplish that "short, short march."

PASSAGES FROM THE POETS.

O well for him whose will is strong! He suffers, but he will not suffer long! He suffers, but he cannot suffer wrong. For him nor moves the loud world's van-doom march, Nor all calamity's hugest waves confound. Who spews a promontory of rock, That compassed round with turbulent sound, In middle ocean meets the surging shock, Tempest-buffeted, citadel-crowned. —Tennyson.

THE PRICE OF BEEF.

Why is the price of beef high? A cattle-man replies: "Because cattle are high; cattle are high because grazing land is high, and grazing land is high because every year in the western part of the United States more and more of it is ploughed up and cultivated. And he might have added, crops are taking the place of live stock because farmers are unwilling to await the period necessary for the growth of calves to maturity, preferring quick profits from grain, fruit and vegetables to the slower profits from 'beef size' animals. Hence the enormous number of calves that are killed for meat every year, even here in New England, rather than take the trouble of raising them to maturity. One might ask whether a man has not the right to convert his animals into food at whatever point he chooses. The legal, 'right,' perhaps. But we question the moral 'right' to do so, if shortage of food and increase of the cost of living must result for the public in general.

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Fitch Stoles from \$30.00 to \$75.00
Molekin Tie Effects, each \$9.75
Molekin Wide Stoles, 72 in. long, each \$35.00 and \$40.00
Molekin Muffs, each \$19.75 to \$30.00
Squirrel Stoles and Short Ties, each \$6.75, \$9.75, \$13.75, \$27.50 to \$55.00
Large Mink Capes, \$125.00 and \$150.00
Large Mink Muffs to match at same price.
Ermine Ties, each \$15.00, \$17.50 to \$45.00
Ermine Large Neck Pieces at \$65.00
Ermine Muffs to match, \$125.00
Marmot Furs in tie, cape and long stole effects. Each \$7.50, \$8.75, \$9.50, \$12.50, \$17.50, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00
Marmot Fur Muffs, large size, each \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50 to \$35.00
White Thibet, in long tie effects, each \$2.90
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White and Black Hare, in long ties and cape effects, \$3.75 and \$1.50

Ladies' Novelty Coats Sell at \$10.00, But Worth Double

It would be practically impossible for us to overestimate the value that these Coats represent, for nearly every one of them is worth at least double the price at which they are marked for to-day's sale. The materials used in most of these coats are superior to those usually found in coats that sell at \$17.50 and \$20.00, and includes Curl Cloths, Heavy Tweeds, Chinchillas and other novelty fabrics. You have your choice, too, from an excellent range of styles, in both the loose and tailored effects, as well as novelties and capes. Every coat is well tailored throughout and speaks of warmth, comfort and superiority. Women in need of a new Winter Coat could not reasonably wish for a better coat offering for such a modest price. Make an early visit to choose yours—to-day. Regular \$17.50 and \$20.00 values, selling at \$10.00

75 Dozen Fancy Tea Aprons Beautiful Photographic Calendars and Albums

One of the smartest assortments and best values in Ladies' Fancy Tea Aprons ever announced for a Christmas sale—75 dozen means that you have your choice from nearly a thousand aprons, and all these are grouped into four very low prices. There are Muslins, Lawns, Dotted Swiss Muslins, Mull, and other fine fabrics, and every apron is in a pretty style that will please the most particular. Some trimmed with Valenciennes lace, fine embroidery and others with insertions and satin ribbons. The very best Apron you have been on the lookout for, and now you have the chance to buy qualities that are much above the average at most reasonable prices. These will make excellent Christmas gifts.

An Extraordinary Sale of Christmas Novelties in the Hardware Section for Wednesday

Values to \$13.75 for \$4.75
Values to \$4.50 for \$2.00
Values to \$2.50 for \$1.00
All of these articles will make very acceptable gifts for Christmas, and the opportunity to buy them for so little will be fully appreciated. The tremendous price reductions will cause much excitement and will necessitate your shopping early to get best bargains. Included are Silver Plated Tea Sets, Fancy Brass Tea Sets on Trays, Electro Plated and Brass Spirit Kettles on Stands, Fancy Brass and Copper Smokers' Sets, Plated, Tea-pot, Plated Fruit Bowls, Fancy Glass Fruit Bowls, Plated Biscuit Jar, Sugar and Cream Sets, and Glass Water Jugs with plated tops; also Fern Pots and Bread Trays.

A Big Clearing Away of Men's and Boys' Suits in Broken Sizes, Wednesday

Men's \$15.00 to \$18.00 Suits \$11.75
Boys' \$6.75 to \$8.75 Suits \$4.75
A splendid assortment of shades and patterns, and you can choose from Fancy Tweeds, Worsted and Serges. These Suits are made up, in the single and double-breasted styles, well tailored, and there are most sizes. Every Suit in this special offering has been selected from our regular \$15.00 to \$18.00 values and at the reduced price quick selling should result on Wednesday.

A Special Christmas Sale of Men's Gloves, to Start Wednesday

A Big Sale of Men's Gloves, at prices considerably below regular, just when thousands of pairs of Gloves are being bought for Christmas gifts, surely is welcome news. Read the following items over and will be sure to settle on Gloves this Christmas.
Fine Dress Kid Gloves, silk lined, regular \$2.50 value, for pair \$2.00
Heavy Cape Kid Dress or Driving Gloves, in tan shades; silk lined, \$2.00 value, for pair \$1.50
Fine Dress Kid Gloves, unlined, tan color, regular \$2.25 value, for pair \$1.75
Beaver Suede Gloves, silk lined and unlined, regular \$1.75 value, for pair \$1.00
Beaver Suede Gloves, in sizes 7 1/2 and 7 3/4 only, unlined, one-button, regular \$1.00 grade, for pair \$0.50
Grey Suede and Tan Kid Gloves, all sizes, Special, per pair \$1.00
Tan and Grey Wool-lined Mocha Gloves, imported brand, Special, per pair \$1.25
Heavy Wool-lined Mocha Gloves, tan shades, Special, per pair \$1.00 and \$1.50
Mocha Wool-lined Gloves, the best quality, also Tan Kid Wool-lined Gloves, all sizes, Special, per pair \$1.50
Boys' Wool-lined Mocha Gloves, all sizes, for pair \$0.50
Boys' Scotch Wool Knitted Gloves, in all colors and black. Per pair, 50c, 35c and \$0.25
Men's Woolen Gloves, for, per pair, 75c, 50c, 35c and \$0.25
Men's White Knitted Gloves, per pair, 75c and \$0.50
Men's Unlined Tan and Black Driving or Motor Gloves, the best imported British brands, all sizes. Values to \$4.00 for, per pair, \$2.75
Men's Tan Driving Gloves, with soft gauntlet, very best imported grade, all sizes, Special, per pair \$2.75
Any of these Gloves can be put up in fancy boxes for Christmas gifts.

THE OLD ESTABLISHED DRUG STORE

The Demand for Cough Drops

Is so insistent that we have had to buy in a tremendous stock of course, the demand is for BOWES' COUGH DROPS



1228 Government Street. Phones 425 and 450.

20% Reduction on Furs

To-day we are offering some splendid Bargains in Furs. Here are some of the prices, but they must be seen to be appreciated.

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SCHOLARSHIPS Two scholarships are available—one for boys under twelve years on entrance, and one for boys under fifteen years attending the school.

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We have the largest and best selected stock of Cord and Stove Wood in the city at the going prices. Try us for your next order.

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Phone 825, 735 Pandora St.

ISSUES INVITATIONS

Mayor Asks Many Societies to Send Representatives to Joint Meeting Tomorrow.

A list of the societies that have been invited to the general meeting to be held tomorrow at the city hall at 10 o'clock to organize a general charitable committee for the city, was issued this afternoon from the mayor's office.

Weights and Measures.—The orders-in-council and regulations and instructions to inspectors under the Dominion Weights and Measures act have been revised and consolidated recently and are gazetted for the information of officials and the public in the last issue of the Canada Gazette.

In Gaming House.—Thomas Preckett pleaded guilty in the police court this morning to being found in a Chinese gaming house. It was shown that the accused had been before the court previously on the same charge. He was sentenced to a fine of \$25 or one month.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE CITY

Wm. Stewart, Men's and Ladies' Tailor shop, Campbell building, corner Port and Douglas streets.

Ohison's Roses are the best.

The B. C. Funeral Co.—Always open. Private parlors and large chapel. Reasonable charges for all services. 724-Broughton street.

For Fire, marine, automobile, liability, sickness and accident, plate glass, elevator and employer's liability, consult Gillespie, Hart & Todd, general agents for British Columbia. All claims settled and paid by our office.

Montrose Rooms.—Blanchard street, are exceptionally well ventilated and heated. If looking for a bright cosy room for the winter months it will pay you to examine these. Special low rates are being asked.

Phoenix Beer, dozen pints, 75c.

Household Goods, clothing and personal effects insured. Svea insurance company, of Gothenburg, Sweden. (A bonded company). J. L. Hackett, general agent; F. M. Kilner, special agent, 115 Campbell Building. Phone 1980.

Save by buying your Hardware and Groceries at The Shore Hardware company.

Give Useful Presents.—Bread Mixers, \$2.50; Food Choppers, \$1.50 to \$2.50; Percolators, \$2.25; Teapots, 5c to \$1.50; Cups and Saucers, \$1.55 per dozen, at A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

Go Out on the Land and Grow Cabbages.—You will remember this advice was given by Pat Burns some months ago. Those who took his advice are glad they did. Did you? If not, do so now. The best and cheapest farming land will be found near the E. & N. railway in the Parkside and Millican districts. Small blocks can be purchased for \$40 per acre or leased at \$2.50 per acre per annum with option to purchase giving 10 years to make payment. Vancouver Island Fruit Lands, Ltd., General Agents, Carmichael & Moorhead, Ltd., 608 Belmont House, Victoria.

Phoenix Stout, dozen pints, 75c.

Sands Funeral Furnishing Co., Ltd. Lady in attendance; charges reasonable. Phone 3396, day or night. Office and chapel, 1216 Quadra Street.

Phoenix Stout, dozen pints, 75c.

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The Key Shop, 610 Pandora.

Hanna & Thomson, Undertakers, 827 Pandora Avenue. Phone 493. Open day and night. Motor Hearse in connection.

Our Men's Suits at \$15.00 are the best values ever seen in Victoria. Usually sold at from \$20 to \$25. Our special line of blue serges will interest you. Frost & Frost, Westholme Bldg., Government street.

Get the Kiddie One.—A nice baby's plate made of heavy crockery with a deep rim nicely decorated, 40c, 50c and 60c. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

The Umbrella Shop, 610 Pandora St.

Skates, properly hollow-ground, 25c at Wilson's Repair Shop, 614 Corner, morant Street.

Taxi Service.—Far the best and most up-to-date in the city. C. & C. Taxi cabs. Phone 185.

Give Your Wife some stock pattern dishes. You can add to them later. Several first class patterns at reasonable prices. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

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Dr. Redpath has resumed practice. Drs. Harper and Redpath, Belmont Block, Victoria.

Your Choice of the three finest beers in town, 5c a glass at the Blanchard Inn, next Public Library.

Why Not Have the Best—\$2.50 a week will get you a nice room at the Blanchard Inn, next Public Library.

Retail Employees' Dance, St. John's Hall, Thursday, 10th. Mann's Orchestra.

White Sewing Machine Store, 1221 Douglas.

Retail Employees' Dance, St. John's Hall, Thursday, 10th. Mann's Orchestra.

Phoenix Beer, dozen pints, 75c.

Meet Me for an excellent lunch—only 25c at the Blanchard Inn, next Public Library.

Shoe Store Changes Name.—Owing to some confusion arising from a conflict of name styles between it and another local shoe firm the American Bootery, the up-to-date, bright new shoe store established some months ago at 708 Yates street, near the corner of Douglas street, is to be known henceforth as The Bootery. The proprietor, Mr. A. E. Matheson, also feels that the term "American" is misleading to some extent. He is a Canadian by birth and has spent his entire business career in the Dominion. For many years he was in business in the Middle West where he is well and favorably known.

Voters' League.—At the meeting of the executive of the Voters' league last evening attention was concentrated on matters of moral reform rather than the approaching municipal election. The latter question will be taken up in the near future by the executive.

Saanich Works Committee.—At the meeting of the Saanich works committee this afternoon the principal business was the opening of the tenders for the improvement of Lake Road, which had been received up to yesterday. A report will be made upon them before the next meeting.

Song by Westerner.—The weekly list of copyrights granted by the minister of agriculture always contains a number of songs—good, bad and indifferent—and this week contains notice of copyright being granted to a British Columbian. This is for "It was just a Sprig of Heather," the words and melody being by R. E. Macnaghten, of Vancouver, and the accompaniment by T. W. Ward.

Poultry Association.—The Victoria Poultry association being unable to hold its annual show at the Willows in January on account of the camp, has applied through the secretary to the city for permission to use the balconies round the market building for a show. On account of doubt about the security of the staircases, the building inspector and the chief of the fire department have been asked to report on the matter.

Exhibit at Panama-Pacific Fair.—The provincial government through the department of agriculture, is preparing the exhibit which is to be made by the province at the Panama-Pacific fair in San Francisco, and in connection with the exhibit it is proposed to carry on a campaign of advertising of the province which will induce tourists to visit it while they are in the west. There will be a series of motion pictures of British Columbia scenes and industries, and a course of lectures will be given daily during the fair.

Fire at Biscuit Factory.—Damage to the extent of about \$4,000, covered by insurance, was done by a fire at the biscuit factory of Popham Brothers, Ltd., Mary street, Victoria, West, at 6.30 last evening. The fire is supposed to have originated in the starch room and spread from there. The prompt arrival of the firemen, who had four streams at work, saved serious injury being done through the whole building becoming enveloped. The building was damaged to the extent of \$500, while the injury to machinery represents some \$3,500. The firemen were engaged for an hour checking the fierce flames in the starch room. There were two other runs—one to the residence of L. Alexander, 138 South Turner street, to put out a blazing child's cot, the other to Douglas street, from where a false alarm had been turned in.

Septa's the last word in fine photography. Just the thing for Xmas presents. The Skeps Lowe Studio, 654 Yates street, corner Douglas.

Nicely Furnished Rooms—\$2.50 per week at the Blanchard Inn, next Public Library.

Piano for Rent, \$4. Phone 2507R.

Don't You Know that excellent Xmas, Wedding and Birthday gifts are the "Wear-Ever" Aluminum Utensils. W. I. Gordon, Phone 2918, 766 Hillside Avenue.

Grant to W. C. T. U.—The city council has made a grant of \$250 to the W. C. T. U., towards the interest and sinking fund for the new building of the organization.

Firm Name Changed.—The corporate name of Du Pont Safety Powder Company of Canada, Limited, has been changed to Palmer-Perchlorate Powder Company of Canada, Limited, and this has been approved of by the secretary of state.

Extension of Time.—The British Columbia Southern railway company will make application to the parliament of Canada for an act extending the time for the construction of the line from Michel to Kannanaskis.

Wants Name Changed.—Notice is being given by the Hudson Bay, Peace River & Pacific railway company of an application to parliament at its next session for an act changing the name to Winnipeg & Hudson Bay railway company.

W. C. T. U. Mission Board.—At the monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. mission board, held last Thursday, it was decided to give the "Christmas dinner" this year as usual. Each year from 75 to 100 men partake of the hospitality of the mission. Gifts of money, clothing or provisions will be most gratefully received.

Dislike German Name.—For the first time in this city ratepayers in Victoria have objected to having a German name for their street, 16 owners having signed a petition to have the name "Oving" changed to "Beckley," which is the official title of the James Bay estate for land registry purposes. The matter was reported to the city council last evening.

Children's Party.—The Girls' Social club of the Y. W. C. A. held a children's party last Thursday evening in the recreation rooms of the association building. About forty guests being present and a very happy evening being passed with games, music and singing. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Art of Teaching.—The city training school for Sunday school teachers will meet in the Y. W. C. A. on Wednesday night at 8. Mr. Williams will lecture on the subject, "The Art of Teaching." The lecture will be held when Miss Hughes will continue her lectures on "Story and Story-Telling."

Old Dawson Road.—The province of Manitoba, desiring to take over the maintenance of the old Dawson road, which existed across that province before it entered Confederation in 1871, an order-in-council has been passed vesting it in the province. This old road was surveyed by S. J. Dawson, afterwards a member of the House of Commons, in the late sixties, and in 1870 he put through the Wolsey expedition over it when all other means of transport failed.

A Valuable Addition.—An important and valuable addition to the shelves of the reference section of the public library has been made in a series of "Canada and Its Provinces," the first adequate history of the Dominion that has been issued. This has been produced under the joint editorship of Dr. Adam Shortt, C. M. G., chairman of the Civil Service Commission of Canada, and Dr. Arthur G. Doughty, C. M. G., Dominion archivist. It is in twenty-two volumes, and is divided into alphabetical sections of which six are devoted to the country at large, five to local and provincial history. Each section was written by the best men who could be found for the purpose and under the guidance of a special editor.

ECONOMY PETITION School Trustees Will Be Asked Tomorrow to Fall in Line With City Council.

The city council having received a petition from the Civic Retrenchment Association, the board of school trustees now has its turn. One has been received at the board office from the same association couched in identical language with that addressed to the aldermen published yesterday.

If the wish to cut expenditure by \$70,000 or so is to be respected, there is only one recourse the trustees have to recommend to their successors, a wholesale cut in salaries. The total of \$257,000, apart from interest and sinking fund on school loans, which reached \$90,000. That latter figure will be slightly exceeded in 1915. Of the sum of \$297,000, no less than \$208,999 is absorbed in salaries, to which the government contributes \$72,000 as a per capita grant. The balance is made up for furniture and general expenses. A careful examination of the expenditure, apart from salaries, does not promise a reduction of more than \$10,000 as a maximum. The total on furniture and general expenses this year is \$39,000, as against \$28,000 in 1913; the excess being made up of increases for janitor services, fuel and miscellaneous charges. The remaining vote were the same practically in both 1913 and 1914.

The petition will be brought to the attention of the school trustees at the meeting to-morrow evening, when some discussion is almost inevitable owing to the impossibility of giving the twenty-five per cent asked for by the board's petitioners. Some resignations of teachers, effective at the end of term, will be reported at the meeting.

THE BLESSING OF MOTHERHOOD

Healthy Mothers and Children Make Happy Homes

Motherhood is woman's highest sphere in life. It is the fruition of her dearest hopes and greatest desires; yet thousands of noble women through some derangement have been denied this blessing. In many homes once childless there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal, healthy and strong. This is evidenced by the following letters which are genuine and truthful:

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Brooklyn, N.Y.—"I was ailing all the time and did not know what the matter was. I wanted a baby but my health would not permit it. I was nervous, my side ached and I was all run down. I heard that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was good and took the medicine. I have now a beautiful baby and your Compound has helped me in every way."—Mrs. J. J. STEWART, 299 Humboldt St., Brooklyn, N.Y.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR FAR OFF FRIENDS

Christmas gifts for friends in far away places should be shipped now. With the steamship service impaired by war conditions, it will take longer for mail and express packages to reach delivery.

Be forehanded—and the happiness to those you love will be assured.

The stores are ready and the advertising in The Times is brief, interesting and all ready teeming with holiday spirit. Begin your shopping now by seeing what the advertising can do to help you.

RECEIVE CERTIFICATES

Dean of Columbia Presents Diplomas For Music and Drawing to St. Margaret's Pupils.

The pupils of St. Margaret's school last evening presented a delightful programme of recitations and musical numbers before a large audience of parents and small brothers and sisters of the various students. The occasion was arranged in connection with the presentation of the R. A. C. M. and R. A. certificates for music and drawing, the distribution of the diplomas being made by the Very Rev. Dean Doull after a short address in which he congratulated pupils and teachers. The programme of honor certificates, he pointed out, was a wonderful reflection on the splendid teaching of Miss Gulland. The dean, who in conclusion referred to his pending departure from the city and the many pleasant memories of St. Margaret's school, along with other things, which he would carry with him, was warmly thanked by Miss Barton for his part in the proceedings, three ringing cheers from the pupils giving hearty endorsement to the sentiment.

The programme, rendered by pupils of Miss F. Goodwin, Barton, Miss Dunn, and Miss Couskitch, included vocal numbers by Miss Barton and Miss Anonia Jones, and pianoforte selections by Miss Myrtle Bryce, Miss Mona Graham, Miss Edith Prothero, Miss Gertrude Rich, Miss Eya Ross, the Misses Isabel Mann and Marjorie Currie, and the Misses Winifred Brown and Marjorie Haynes.

All the numbers were very well received, and especially the splendidly enunciated recitations which formed a further part of the very interesting programme. Among those who recited were Miss Barbara Bullock-Webster, the Misses M. Evans, Florence Chalmers and Gerlie Robertson. Several of the dances were particularly pleasing, among the terpsichorean numbers being a hornpipe by the Misses Marion Bullock-Webster and Mary Cross, and a foursome reel by the Misses Ethel Hale, Winifred Gilder, Constance Grey, and Barbara Bullock-Webster.

After the distribution of the certificates the guests visited the classrooms to see the collection of dressed dolls and garments made by the pupils for the little Belgian refugees and soldiers' children.

Contributions Acknowledged.—The following supplies received at the I. O. O. F. headquarters, Temple building, during the past two weeks have been gratefully acknowledged: parcel of helplessness shirts, bed-jackets and knitted articles, Mrs. Murray (Sooke); fifty cotton bandages, Mrs. J. H. Henderson and Miss W. Andrews; two helplessness shirts, six day shirts, three bedgowns and bandages, Ladies' Guild of St. Columba church; socks and wristlets, Miss Grooben and Mrs. C. B. Green; Jersey, Mrs. Scott; two knitted mufflers and other articles, Mrs. Stevens (Port Alberni); one pair of socks and two helmets, Mrs. Babbington.

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In other words, take advantage of the Christmas season special offer we are making now on many of the popular lines of Columbia Gramophones and Grafonolas. Let one of the gifts to your family this Christmas be a Columbia, and your Christmas will last all winter, with a summer of entertainment beyond that.



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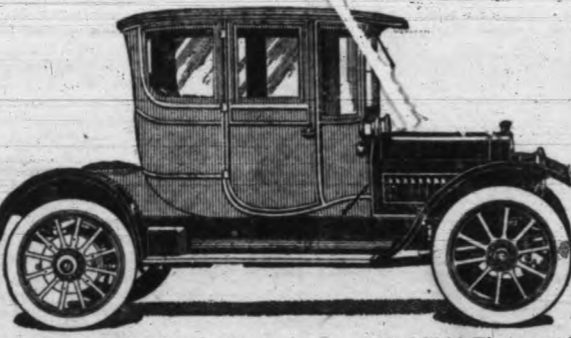
No Definite Action is Taken by Saanich Central Ratepayers' Association With Regard to Elections.

At the meeting of the Central Saanich Ratepayers' association held last evening G. E. Davidson was re-elected president, J. Drake was chosen vice-president and R. Macneil, secretary.

No definite action was taken with regard to candidates at the forthcoming election, but it was decided to meet on December 21 to consider the matter. At that meeting a choice for reeve will be made and councillors endorsed. It is believed that during the next two weeks the selection of candidates will have been made by the various organizations, at any rate in the suburban yards.

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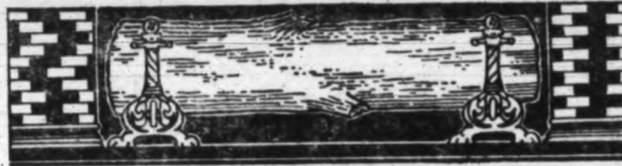


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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.
Andrew Mahle is among the Nanaimo people who are registered at the King Edward hotel.
Henry C. Barrow has arrived from Chemainus, and is registered at the Empress hotel.
Captain Perry, of the Army Service Corps of the new contingent, is at the Empress hotel.
E. McCadden is registered at the King Edward hotel, having come across from Vancouver.
Miss Mary Grey, of Hudson, N. Y., is among those registered at the Strathcona hotel.
Mrs. C. C. MacMillan, of Vancouver, is staying at the Strathcona hotel while in the city.
J. W. Christie is a Seattle visitor in the city. He is registered at the Strathcona hotel.
Thomas Clarke is in the city to-day from Vancouver, and is stopping at the Empress hotel.
Mrs. Luscombe is a guest at the Strathcona hotel while in the city from Rocky Point.
Niel Nielsen, of Sydney, Australia, was among this morning's arrivals at the Empress hotel.
P. Colbourne is among the newly-arrived guests from Vancouver at the King Edward hotel.
George D. McKay, Vancouver, chief timber inspector, and other officials of the provincial forest department, were on to-day, and is stopping at the Empress hotel.

Yesterday in Tacoma at the annual convention of the Western Conservation and Fire Protection Association.
Among the guests arriving at the Empress hotel yesterday was George A. Moors, of Toronto.
Mayor A. W. Grey, of New Westminster, is among the guests at the Empress hotel to-day.
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith are Bellingham visitors in the city. They are at the Strathcona hotel.

EXCELLENTLY PLAYED

"Madame X" at Princess Theatre; Miss Verna Felton Proves Herself Mistress of Her Art.

The heartiest of congratulations are due Miss Verna Felton for her magnificent performance in the title role of "Madame X" which was produced last evening by the Allen Players at the Princess theatre. The manner in which the versatile actress sustained the part of Jaqueline, the more signed-against than signing wife of the Parisian, Floriot, calls for the highest praise. A remarkably clever play, both as regards plot and construction, the leading lady and other members of the popular stock company made the most of the many character parts and dramatic situations, the result being, on the whole, an intensely moving and convincing production. In acts II and IV, particularly did Miss Felton stand out supreme mistress of her art. In the final scene of act II, following her acquittal for the murder of her lover through the eloquence of her unsuspecting son, a young attorney who thought his mother dead long years before, she worked up to a climax which, by its very reserve, was a supreme achievement in emotional acting, and wrung from the audience tears of sympathy for the fate of so wronged a woman.
In her difficult part, so wonderfully sustained, Miss Felton was given splendid support by practically every member of the company. Notable among the roles so well impersonated was that of Raymond Floriot, the young lawyer whose first-birth chances to be the case in which he unwittingly sues for the pardon of his own mother. Irving Kennedy gave a charming portrayal of this frank, clever and altogether lovable character, was eloquent in the long address to the jury, and powerfully convincing in the closing moments where the dying Jaqueline is permitted the knowledge of his unshaken love when her true name is revealed.
Dignity and becoming sadness of voice and expression marked the acting of Norman Pearce, who assumed the part of Floriot, and conspicuous among the several other very finely sustained parts was that of Helene, charming and varied, this young actress is a real acquisition to a company which already possesses many talented members. The entire production was excellently staged, the court scene being particularly impressive. The entire act music was also most suitable, and in several instances suggested the atmosphere of that which followed.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.
An important ocean storm area which is centered off the Washington coast is causing a westerly gale there which is likely to extend to the Straits of Fuca and Georgia and the Sound. Zero temperatures are reported in northern B. C., and snow has fallen in Alberta.
Forecasts:
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday: Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and mild, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Strong easterly winds or gales on the Gulf, unsettled, with sleet or rain.
Reports:
Victoria—Barometer, 29.91; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 40; wind, 20 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, maximum yesterday, 32; minimum, 18; wind, calm; weather, fair.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 32; minimum, 2 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Tasluke—Barometer, 29.89; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 40 miles E.; weather, cloudy.
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, 16; weather, rain.
Seattle—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 40; wind, 14 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 44; wind, 6 miles S.; weather, clear.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.29; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Temperatures:
Pentiction 28
Nelson 26
Calgary 12
Edmonton 16
Prince Albert 16
Winnipeg 24
Toronto 37
Ottawa 36
Montreal 20
St. John 28
Halifax 32
Victoria Daily Weather:
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Monday:
Temperature:
Highest 51
Lowest 40
Average 45.5
Bright sunshine, 1 hour 42 minutes.
General state of weather, fair.
Nurse Girl—"Oh, ma'am, what shall I do? The twins have fallen down the well!" Fond Parent—"Dear me! How annoying! Just go into the library and get the last number of the Modern Mother's Magazine; it contains an article on 'How to Bring Up Children.'"

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TO REPEAT PROGRAMME

Patriotic Vaudeville Entertainment to Be Repeated at Lampton Street School Next Tuesday.

Next Tuesday evening, December 15, the Patriotic Entertainment given recently in aid of the fund of the Patriotic Aid Society and for the sending of Christmas boxes to the soldiers at the front, will be given in Lampton Street school, Esquimalt. The programme will be practically the same as at the original entertainment given about a fortnight ago at the Royal Victoria Theatre, and will be under the supervision of Mrs. R. H. Pooley and the Misses Dunsmuir. Among those who will take part are Mrs. Roy-Tromp, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, the Misses Dunsmuir, Miss Phyllis Davis, Messrs. MacKenzie, Davis and others. The event will be under the patronage of his honor the lieutenant-governor, Sir Richard and Lady McBride, Colonel Agilvie, D. O. C., and officers of the Canadian militia. The Esquimalt cadet corps will furnish a guard-of-honor. Tickets may be procured at Hibben's Book store, Government street, the charges for the seats to be \$1 for reserved, and fifty and twenty-five cents for unreserved.

A good theatrical story was told by Mr. Jerome K. Jerome at the O. P. club dinner to dramatic authors. "I spoke to an eminent producer not long ago," he said, "about a play a young friend of mine had sent to him. He remembered it. 'Ah, yes,' he said. 'Not at all bad. There's an idea in it.' Later on it was produced, and after the show I went behind, 'Well,' said the eminent producer, 'what did you think of it?' 'Oh, all right!' I said. 'It seems all correct. But what about that idea?' He didn't seem to understand. 'The idea,' I reminded him; 'you said there was an idea in it.' He remembered then. 'Ah, yes,' he said. 'Yes, we had to cut that out.' It has always been a woman's privilege to stand up for her rights in a crowded street car.

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Fund Augmented by Five Cases of Provisions From Sidney Trading Company.

The Sidney Trading company yesterday sent in a contribution of five cases of clams to the Belgian Relief fund, the gift being a welcome addition to the collection which is being made up to go out with the next consignment of goods which leaves Victoria.

It was reported by the secretary this morning that the proceeds of the auction sale held last Friday at the auction rooms of Stewart Williams amounted to \$196, and this amount has also been added to the fund. The raffle of the baby doll given by Mrs. Lovick realized \$33.36, the winner being Mrs. Berks, of Fort street, holder of ticket 261. As the tickets for this raffle were only ten cents it can be seen that many took a chance on the toy which will constitute a singularly useful "win" at this season of the year.

Tickets for the painting of the Belgian priest presented by the artist, Mary Ritter Hamilton, may be procured at the provincial museum, Terry's Drug store, from Mrs. H. F. Young, Mrs. Diesnecker, or Father Macdonell.

BILL IS VARIED

Playlet "In and Out" Produces Laughter at Pantages Theatre; Arabs Entertain.

Reverting to something of its usual average after a week's bill of conspicuous merit, Pantages suffers by contrast rather than through the actual weakness of the various turns presented this week. A distinctly amusing and rapidly-moving playlet, something non-descriptively entitled "In and Out" is one of the most laughter-provoking of the turns, being presented by a well-balanced (though sometimes uncertainly-footed) company of six, under management of Walter S. Howe. The mystification of the title is disclosed in the act itself, where the scenery changes several times to disclose first the inside then the outside of the house where the exciting events transpire.

"The Musical Dairy" is a novelty in which cows, milk-pails, churns, hay-rakes, brooms, shovels and other dairy-farm requisites are made, at a moment's notice, the yielders of classic sounds. The scene is unique in staging, and "The Angelus," on which the curtain rings down, is sounded by chiming bells apparently in a little chapel seen in the distance. A flow of some alien language quite incomprehensible and probably a running commentary on Victoria weather passed as an introduction by



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In the Matter of the British Columbia Railway Act and

In the Matter of the Expropriation by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company of Part of Sections 83, 15A and 14, Victoria District.

TAKE NOTICE that the above named Company has, under the powers conferred by the British Columbia Railway Company Act, compulsorily acquired all those pieces or parcels of land lying thirty-three feet (33 ft.) at right angles to either side of the centre line of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company's right-of-way as now located and surveyed through Sections eighty-three (83), fifteen (15A) and fourteen (14), Victoria District, the said centre line being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the intersection point of said centre line with the western boundary of said Section eighty-three (83), said intersection point being distant two hundred and nine and five-tenths feet (209.5 ft.) northerly from the southwest corner of said Section eighty-three (83), thence on a tangent bearing south seventy-three degrees forty minutes east (S. 73 deg. 40 min. E.), Astronomic, for a distance of one hundred and sixty-two and two-tenths feet (162.2 ft.), more or less to the northerly limit of Cross Road;

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Commencing at the intersection of said centre line with the westerly limit of said Burnside Electric Railway Company's right-of-way, thence following said centre line on a tangent bearing north eighty-eight degrees twenty-seven minutes east (N. 88 deg. 27 min. E.), Astronomic, for a distance of four hundred and thirty and three-tenths feet (433.3 ft.), more or less to a point on the westerly limit of Butler Road, as shown on subdivision plan numbered 167 in the Victoria Land Registry Office, thence on a curve (1 deg. 15 min. 30 sec.) curve to the right for a distance of one hundred and thirty-seven and three-tenths feet (137.3 ft.) northerly from a post planted on said westerly limit of Butler Road, being the southeast corner of said subdivision, the whole containing in the aggregate three and seventy-one one-hundredths acres (3.71 ac.) more or less;

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the above named Railway Company has paid into Court the said sum of twenty thousand four hundred dollars (\$20,400) to stand in the stead of the lands aforesaid, and any claim to or incumbrance upon the said lands or any part thereof, as well as against the said Railway Company be converted into a claim for compensation or to a like proportion thereof;

HUMOR IN CANADIAN FICTION.

The Christmas number of The Canadian Magazine is noteworthy in its quantity of amusing short stories. The work of Peter McArthur, Carroll Atkins, Albert R. Carman and Alan Sullivan would do credit to any magazine, and quite sets at rest the repeated assertion that Canadian writers have no sense of humor. One can enjoy these stories for their freshness and charm and know that they are native work. The illustrations are of an unusually high order.

Recently a lady amateur song-writer sent to popular actress-vocalist the words of a new all-star song which she had written. The actress could see nothing attractive in the song, and read the verses to her husband. "Good heavens!" he exclaimed, when she had finished. "What's she talking about? What does she call it? She calls it 'Wonder if I Miss Miss'." "I wish I were a man," said the husband, "for he does he ought never to be trusted with a gun again!"

RUSSIAN ACQUITTED OF HOLD-UP CRIME

Magistrate Jay Held There Was Not a Prima Facie Case Against Wasselief

Wasselief, the Russian accused of holding up the Sooko Harbor hotel last month, was acquitted by Magistrate Jay in the provincial police court yesterday afternoon after a lengthy hearing. The magistrate held that there was not a prima facie case to go to a jury. J. A. Alkman defended, and W. H. Bullock-Webster appeared for the crown.

The main thread of the crown's evidence lay in the fact that a patch in the overalls of one of the Wasselief children was of the same material as the mask of one of the robbers found by the roadside. They adduced a suspicious circumstance also in bringing forward a witness who stated that he had been in the Russian's tent a blue-barreled Smith and Wesson revolver of a similar kind to that held by one of the hold-up men on the night of the attempted robbery. Beyond these facts, Magistrate Jay pointed out in his summing up, there was very little at all to connect the accused with the crime with which he was charged.

C. H. Barbour, the proprietor of the Sooko Harbor hotel, gave evidence of the happenings of the night of November 7. He told of the entrance of the two hold-up men into the bar-room in which were about eleven people. One of the men was tall, with a black-looking cloth completely covering his face save for spaces for the facial features, while the other wore a colored mask. They told him, Mr. Barbour said, to throw up his hands. As he had money in the cash register and on the back of the bar, he refused to do so. He was ordered three times to hold up his hands, and on each occasion called the bluff. The pair then made off out of the door, but the taller of the two turned around and fired one shot through the plain glass window of the door. The bullet sped about half an hour before him, narrowly between himself and a man, narrowly missing both and burying itself in the wall above the cash register.

Edward Milne, storekeeper at Milne's Landing, adduced testimony of the coming of the accused at a running pace. "I saw the accused about ten minutes after he was shot," he stated, a long black raincoat, a soft black hat and a dark-colored mask with white lines in it. The revolver he held was a Smith and Wesson blue-barrel. Witness related he had seen the accused in the hotel about half an hour before the hold-up. The Russian had gone in to cash his cheque along with others. Shields also stated, in cross examination, that the coat the bandit was wearing was not anything like that of the prisoner in the dock had on, nor was the headgear anything similar in shape or texture.

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Provincial Constable Owens related how he and Provincial Constable Armstrong had made search of the neighborhood after the hold-up, and of finding the blue and white mask on the road to Cooper's Cove. He explained how they searched the camps, and from information received, finally went to the tent of the Russian Wasselief. The first thing that met their eyes on the floor of the tent was a pair of child's overalls, patched with the same material apparently as that of which the mask was made. They asked the Russian for his revolver, but he said it had been stolen from him some six weeks ago. They then placed Wasselief under arrest. This completed the case for the crown. Mr. Alkman immediately moved for a dismissal, as he said there was not enough evidence to justify a conviction. Magistrate Jay thereupon gave his judgment in favor of the accused.

LETTER BOX

Letters for publication in Daily Times must be received at the Times Office not later than the day before the day of publication. When received later they will be held over until the following day. While unobjectionable anonymous communications will be published, the name and address of every writer of such letters must be given to the editor.

VICTORIA'S FUTURE POLICY.

To the Editor: I am sorry if I hurt "F. I. P.'s" feelings. He states he is not acquainted with me. I must again say I am sorry, because if he was I am sure he would like me. He states I have treated the readers of Victoria with a good deal of ink slogging. I think it was Byron who said, "A drop of ink may make a million think." As regards the remark I made about the happy family of fools; well, there are exceptions. He agrees with me the power of the press and suggests that with your help men of intellect may be found to lead us into the happy land of bliss, where work is plentiful and poverty is no more. He calls himself the "Modest Man." This is not one of my failings, for I believe that this is possible and have a great faith in the future of this city. He concludes with "I would like to suggest that the people of Victoria can obtain their object much quicker by doing their own thinking." Sure, Mr. Editor, that is what I said, but the city is that they have been allowing some one else to do it for them, and not only thinking, but doing, hence the trouble we have in the province to-day. I trust that "F. I. P." will drop his modesty and sign his name when taking up your valuable space. "Truth has rough flavors if we bite it thro'". JOHN DAY.

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MR. CUTHBERT'S TOUR.

To the Editor: It has been brought to my attention through an authoritative source that Mr. Herbert Cuthbert has recently gone on a tour through the States. If such is the case, the advisability of such a tour at this time might well be brought into question. Now when conditions are so bad all over the Dominion one would have thought that such a method would be unnecessary. Furthermore, the state of local affairs financially also makes it improper. It is claimed that he has ventured in this tour with the view of inducing tourists to come to the city, to interview railroad agents along the route, and to endeavor to attract eastern manufacturers to Victoria. Now is it not possible to cut out a method of advertising such as this. I understand that the Victoria and Island Development League has had printed large quantities of literature dealing with Victoria and which could be disseminated by mail if needed. In the case of the trip, must entail a large amount of money. If the transportation and hotel expenses, to say nothing of salary, are taken into account. Now, at a time when the municipal council is talking of retrenchment in civic finance, it would be interesting to know what justified that body through its representatives on the league, in ratifying this unnecessary expenditure. I am led to understand that all cheques for money expended by the league must be signed by one of the aldermen, and assuming that the cheque for the amount necessary for this tour was duly signed, what explanation has the city's representatives to offer the public in this regard? It is high time that the retrenchment which is so loudly talked about in the council chambers, but seldom put into practice, be given a practical demonstration. If the money expended in this way had been devoted to relieving some of the distress in the city, the city council would be putting the same to a much better use. It is all very well spending money on inducing people to come to this city, but more wisdom would be displayed if the same was used to make the city worth while to those already living here. If the function of the above mentioned league is the development of this city, it would be wise for its members to remember that development, like charity, begins at home.

JOHN L. MARTIN.

GERMANS A FIGHTING RACE.

To the Editor: Theatrical wars of the German race will no doubt be of interest at the present time. Germans existed as a formidable fighting race many years prior to B. C. During the reign of Augustus a Roman leader crossed the Rhine from the Roman province of Gaul in the year 12 B. C. Three years later he traversed Germany as far as the Elbe river, but was forced to retire for want of supplies. Later in 8 B. C. a Roman legion crossed the Rhine and harassed the Germans for two years. Finally in 6 A. D. the northern part of Germany of to-day was constituted a Roman province. In 9 A. D. the Romans lost this territory. Germany at this time was not considered worth conquering as an asset, for its country only consisted of extensive forests and marsh lands, but it was thought that something must be done to crush that nation as an immediate danger to the prosperous Roman province of Gaul. In 14 A. D. an insurrection broke out amongst the Roman legion of Gaul, and the German tribes took advantage of the discontent by invading Gaul. The Romans resented this outrage by crossing the Rhine with a view of finally crushing the German race. During all these years the Germans were more or less a roving mob, under different tribes or states, and it is remarkable to observe that at the present time, 1914, the German empire, the compact as it is, is composed of a confederation of small, practically independent states, principalities, duchies, etc., the present representatives of the former tribes. This confederation was brought about by Bismarck, principally for military purposes. One phase of the constitution makes the German empire completely under the control of the Kaiser in time of war. During the Roman regime it is quite

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and Herzegovina (part of Turkey) under its sway. Bismarck's first idea was to use Austria to ward off Russian influence in the Balkans, but his second was a preliminary move in his policy of commercial and industrial expansion in the near east. From the day of the treaty of Berlin up to the present, German influence has been gaining sway yearly in the Balkans. A few instances are, the German drilling of the Turkish army, the construction of the Bagdad railway and the acquisition of valuable mining and colonization concessions by Germany in Asia Minor. It is this move on the part of Germany that has really driven Russia to the match to the already dry powder in Serbia which caused the present war. From the above narratives it will be readily seen that Germany has been an aggressive fighting race for nearly 2,000 years. Are we therefore to suppose for a moment that after nearly two decades of preparation for the present war, Germany will give up the game at short notice? The military end of Germany was ready for the present conflict in the early part of 1914, but the empire having taken unto itself the

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Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

TEES WILL BE DAY

LATE LEAVING PORT

Steamer Now Completing Repairs and Will Sail Saturday, Maquinna on Slip

Announcement was made this morning by C. P. R. officials that the steamer Tees, Capt. Gilliam, will sail for Clayoquot and way ports on Saturday night at 11 o'clock, one day late. The ship will not be through with her repairs at the Victoria Machinery depot in time to sail on Friday, her scheduled date. Shippers and passengers are requested to take notice of the change.

The Tees has been out on the ways at the machinery depot for the past three weeks, having extensive repairs made to her bows. She struck in Hell's Gate, Alberni canal, and seriously damaged her stem. The vessel needed some additional repairs to her bows and the company decided to have all the work done at that time. While she is out of service the Tees is being given a thorough overhaul and will be in first class shape to return to the west coast trade.

Maquinna Cleaning

After having made two trips to Holland, replacing the Tees, the steamer Princess Maquinna has been hauled out on the slip at Yarrow's for cleaning and painting. She is to return to the Vancouver-Granby Bay run next week. After the Tees struck the Maquinna was brought to Victoria and the Princess Sophia sent across the Gulf to operate in the northern service. When the Maquinna returns to that route the Sophia will come here and tie up for the winter.

STEAMER WITH GASOLINE IN FLAMES AND ASHORE

Of Thirty-Six on Board Only Two Saved and They Were Severely Burned.

Barrow, Dec. 8, via London.—The British steamer Vedra from Port Arthur, Tex., with a cargo of gasoline, went ashore near here this morning in a heavy gale.

The cargo ignited, and of the crew of thirty-six men on board the Vedra only two were saved and they were severely burned.

The steamer Vedra left Port Arthur for London Nov. 12 and passed Norfolk on the 21st. She was reported yesterday as passing Tuscarora, in the Irish Sea, which would indicate that she had changed her destination and was bound for some port on the west coast of England.

The Vedra was under the command of Captain Beavster. She was built in 1892 in Sunderland, Eng., was of 4,057 tons, and belonged to the Associated Oil Carriers' Company of London.

The conflagration was caused by the gasoline escaping and flowing into the engine room where it became ignited. The surface of the sea was covered with burning oil and the escape of the men was cut off. Two lifeboats reached the scene, but the flaming oil on the surface of the water made it impossible for them to approach.

Several members of the crew jumped overboard, but they either were drowned or burned to death. Only two men out of the ship's company managed to escape alive. They were picked up by the lifeboat and are now in a hospital.

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TIMES SHIPPING CHART

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Espos	Hill	2,770	(Rat. C.N.R.)	In Magellan Straits	Dec. 2
Tuffin	Wright	2,770	(Rat. C.N.R.)	In Magellan Straits	Dec. 2
Battle Maru	Saito	1,844	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Dec. 2
Diaceur	Rutherford	2,403	Balfour Guthrie	Liverpool	Dec. 15
Java Maru	Kanoo	2,501	R. P. Rithet	Yokohama	Dec. 3
Panama Maru	Kanoo	2,501	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Dec. 11
Yokohama Maru	Komatsubara	4,200	G. Northern	Hongkong	Dec. 16
Niagara	Rudl	1,787	C. P. R.	Sydney	Dec. 17
Antiochus	Flint	3,281	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Dec. 20
Awa Maru	Asakawa	3,300	Balfour Guthrie	Yokohama	Dec. 21
Tambo	Flint	3,713	G. Northern	Hongkong	Dec. 20
Medico Maru	Kobuchi	3,281	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Jan. 3
Shidenka Maru	Deguchi	4,200	G. Northern	Hongkong	Jan. 13
Makura	Phillips	4,901	C. P. R.	Sydney	Jan. 11
Ixion	Reippenhausen	6,087	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Jan. 18

DEEP-SEA DEPARTURES.	COASTING VESSELS.
Niagara, C. P. R., Sydney, Dec. 23	Deineo John, G.T.P., Q. Charlottes, Dec. 11
Cyclops, Dodwell, Liverpool, Dec. 23	Deineo George, G.T.P., P. Rupert, Dec. 13
Tacoma Maru, R.P. Rithet, H'k'g, Dec. 3	Princess Mary, C.P.R., Skagway, Dec. 11
Aki Maru, G.N., Hongkong, Dec. 15	Deineo John, G.T.P., Q. Charlottes, Dec. 11
Panama Maru, R.P. Rithet, H'k'g, Dec. 2	Princess Mary, C.P.R., Skagway, Dec. 11
Yokohama Maru, G. N., Hongkong, Dec. 20	Princess George, G.T.P., P. Rupert, Dec. 11
Makura, C. P. R., Australia, Jan. 20	Tees, Clayoquot, Dec. 19
Antiochus, Dodwell, Liverpool, Jan. 20	Tees, Clayoquot, Dec. 19

SAILERS COMING.	FERRY SERVICES.
Columbia, American schooner, from Salaverry, Peru, for Royal Roads, to load lumber at Vancouver for Australia.	For Vancouver.
Wolff, Norwegian barque, from Arica, Chile, to load lumber at Victoria. Lett Arica Oct. 30.	Princess Victoria leaves 11.45 p.m. daily.
	Princess Alice leaves 11.45 p.m. daily.
	From Vancouver.
	Princess Charlotte arrives 4.30 p.m. daily.
	Princess Mary arrives 6.30 a.m. daily.

PLENTY OF TONNAGE

OPEN FOR CHARTER

German Fleet is Tied Up and Many British and French Ships Are Transports

Despite the fact that the British and French governments have requisitioned over 1,500 tramp steamships for transport purposes, and despite the tying-up of the entire German mercantile fleet, tonnage for general freight purposes on this coast seems to be fairly plentiful if the rates asked are accepted. Four tramp ships are being offered at San Francisco at the present time for comparative early loading of grain or other merchandise at 45s. This is a good stiff rate, but under existing conditions is not exorbitant.

After the outbreak of the war it was feared that there would not be sufficient tonnage to handle cargo on the various trade routes. German ships scurried into the nearest neutral ports and in Germany. The British and French governments immediately commandeered many of their large passenger ships to act as scouts and large numbers of their tramp steamships for transport purposes. Men at the charter markets expected rates to advance skyward in great jumps. But it appears that the commerce of the world has been affected. There is not nearly the amount of freight moving now as is usually shipped at this season of the year.

The charter markets so far have not experienced any difficulty in securing enough ships to look after freight traffic. There is a tendency on the part of steamship owners, however, to hold out for high rates, but the fact that there are plenty of vessels for the business had caused charter rates to remain comparatively reasonable.

Strass & Co., of San Francisco, have just chartered the British steamship Empress, a vessel of 2,707 tons register, at 45s. She will load for the United Kingdom. This is not quite as high a rate as charterers were forced to pay three years ago.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Dec. 7.

San Francisco, Cal.—Arrived: Str. Daisy Freeman, Columbia River; str. Tenyo Maru, Nagasaki; str. Governor, Seattle via Victoria. Sailed: Str. Richmond, Seattle; str. Wabasha, Hongkong.

Aberdeen, Wash.—Arrived: Str. Norwood, Shoshone, Doris, San Francisco. Sailed: Carmel, Sag. Francisco.

Tacoma, Wash.—Arrived: Str. Marlboro, Wilmington, Admiral Selby and Hilonian, Seattle.

Portland, Ore.—Arrived: Str. Collo, Seattle, E. Doris, San Francisco; str. Siskiyou, San Pedro.

Seattle, Wash.—Arrived: Str. President, San Diego via San Francisco and Victoria; str. Marlboro, Alaska; str. Wilmington, San Francisco via Everett; str. Admiral Selby, San Francisco; str. City of Seattle, Alaska; str. Mariposa, British Columbia ports. Sailed: Str. City of Seattle, Alaska; str. Alki, Alaska; str. Hilonian, Tacoma; str. Mariposa, Tacoma; str. Admiral Selby, Tacoma; str. Wilmington, Tacoma; power barquentine Archer, San Francisco.

Exit Father—Little Girl: "My father says he has often seen you act." Pleas'd Actress: "What did he say he saw me act in, dear?" Little Girl: "In the seventies."

JAVA MARU IN AFTER

VERY STORMY VOYAGE

Steamship Was Buffeted by Two Hurricanes; 22 Days From Yokkaichi

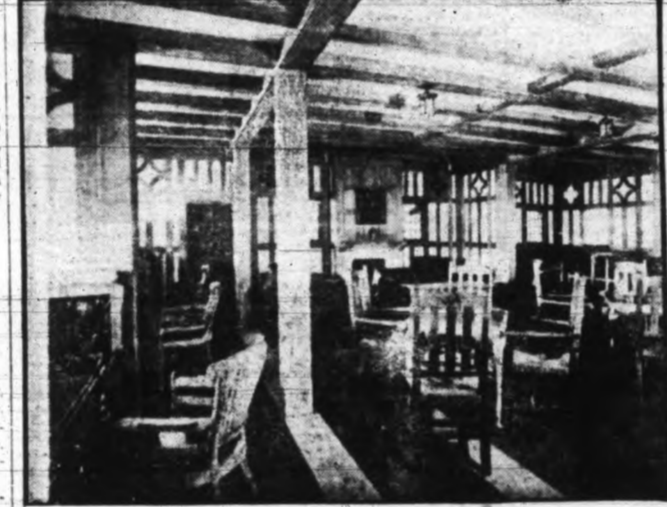
Five days overdue on a voyage from Yokkaichi, Japan, to Victoria, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha steamship Java Maru, Capt. D. Fuchigami, tied up at the outer docks this morning at 11 o'clock. Terrible weather was encountered on the Pacific and instead of making the voyage in 17 days, as her owners expected she would, the Java was 22 days out when she made her lines fast here. Some anxiety had been expressed at this port for the steamship and her crew, and shipping men were greatly relieved this morning when the Java was reported rounding Race Rocks.

Capt. Fuchigami says that the passage was an extremely trying one and the weather was the worst he has ever seen during his career at sea. The Java suffered no serious damage as a result of the hurricane which beset her, but her rusty hull plates and slightly dented deck plates forced her to make a detour to the tremendous battering she had received.

In Two Hurricanes.

Two days after leaving Yokkaichi the Java Maru got her first taste of bad weather. A strong southeast wind sprang up and in a short time developed into a hurricane. There was a

CORNER OF MISSANABIE'S SMOKING-ROOM



The Missanabie has made only a few trips in the Liverpool-Canadian service, but has proven quite popular and is carrying heavy lists of passengers. She is a one-cabin ship and the C. P. R. have a very fine vessel in her. A party of Victorians are leaving here to-morrow to connect with the new ship at Halifax and cross the Atlantic to Liverpool.

WHITE STAR AND CUNARD SHIPS IN WAR SERVICE

The Cunard line has nine vessels in war service. They are the Aquitania, Caronia, Carmania, Laconia, Invernia, Saxonia, Utonia, Andania, and Albatross. The Carmania and Caronia are acting as auxiliary cruisers.

With the requisitioning of the White Star liner Cedric by the British government, presumably for use as a transport, the International Mercantile Marine company will have seven vessels in war service.

They are the Cedric, Celtic, Laurentic, Teutonic, Cynric, Canada and Minneapolis. One of the finest ships of the fleet, the teutonic, was lost in war service.

NEW PANAMA SERVICE

Details of the service of the Panama-Pacific line of the International Mercantile company have just been announced. The American steamers Kronland and Finland will be used in the new service which will operate between New York and San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, with probably occasional extensions to Puget Sound.

The steamer Kronland will inaugurate the new service, sailing from New York on May 1 and should, according to the schedule, make the voyage in 16 days, arriving at San Francisco on May 17. The Finland will follow the Kronland, leaving New York on May 22, and arriving at her destination on the Pacific on June 7.

Mr. Johnson, deciding to erect a veranda at the back of his house, had an expensive new saw sent home from an ironmonger's. He left his office early next afternoon to begin his task; and as he was very much interested he donned a pair of overalls and went at it in good spirit. An hour or so later he came tramping angrily into the house, his face dark with exasperation, and flung himself down in disgust. "That new saw I bought isn't worth twopence!" he said. "Why the thing wouldn't cut better!" His small son Jimmy looked up in wide-eyed surprise. "Oh, yes, it would, daddy!" he said earnestly. "Why, Billy and I sawed a whole brick in two with it this morning!"

"There's many a good bit of work done with a sad heart," George Eliot.

HERE AFTER DIRECT TRIP FROM SYDNEY

Waitemata Has Fine Trip From Australia; to Load Grain for Outward Trip

Favorable weather enabled the steamship Waitemata, Capt. Nickerson, to make a smart run of 26 days from Sydney Aust., to Victoria. She arrived at William head for pratique this morning shortly after daylight, and after being inspected by the doctor came up to this port to pick up a pilot to take her to Vancouver. The Waitemata is under charter to the Union Steamship company of New Zealand, and came north with only a small cargo of hides and general freight.

One of the Victoria pilots took the Waitemata into William Head, and in conversation with Capt. Nickerson he learned that the vessel had had a beautiful run up the Pacific until when the weather became very nasty. Strong southeast gales and a bad sea caused the ship to strain heavily. Last night was particularly bad outside the entrance to the Strait.

The Waitemata came straight from Sydney, which is an exceptionally long non-stop run. She averaged 10 1/2 knots for the trip, which is very good steaming for a tramp.

Celebration in Sydney.

Capt. Nickerson said that he sailed from Sydney the same day that news had been received of the destruction of the German cruiser Emden by the Australian cruiser Sydney. The town was quite jubilant over the feat and planned a great celebration.

The Waitemata will load 20,000 bushels of grain at Vancouver. She will take on shipments of general merchandise and later proceed to San Francisco to finish her outward cargo.

LIVED LONG IN PROVINCE

J. Miller, Pioneer Postmaster Passes After Twenty-Three Years in Office in Vancouver.

Sympathy will be felt with Ernest Miller, M. P. P. in the death of his father, Jonathan Miller, for many years postmaster of Vancouver. The funeral took place this afternoon in Vancouver.

Mr. Miller was the first postmaster of the city of Vancouver being appointed in 1869, and continuing in office till 1909, when he was succeeded by R. G. Macpherson, who had sat as member of parliament for the city. He had lived on the site of Vancouver, then a forest, since 1872, being the first provincial constable for Burrard Inlet under responsible government. He was a member also of the first board of school trustees. He also collected taxes for the government in the seventies.

The son of a prosperous farmer in Middlesex county, Ontario, Mr. Miller was born in 1823, and came west in 1862 by way of Panama and San Francisco. From Vancouver Island he crossed to New Westminster. There he saw a good opportunity to go into the teaming business, and purchasing horses and wagons he went to work without delay. At that time New Westminster was the capital of British Columbia, as the mainland was called. After two years of success in his initial efforts he gave up teaming and opened a store of general merchandise, but after some years of partial success he took up logging, in which he fancied he saw great possibilities of making money. He opened camps at different places along Howe Sound, and did extremely well. The last camp which he had was in what is now Stanley Park. This camp he sold out to accept the position of constable and tax collector for Burrard Inlet and the Lower Fraser. He was the first officer on Burrard Inlet appointed after confederation by the McCleight government.

OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late John Preston, whose death occurred on December 6, took place this afternoon at 2.30 from the Sands Funeral chapel. The funeral was under the auspices of the local union of B. C. Electric Railway Employees, which sent a very large representation of members who marched out behind the remains to the cemetery. Rev. J. G. Inster officiated at the services; those at the graveside being in charge of the A. F. C. Court Victoria, of which the deceased was a member. The hymn sung was "Forever With the Lord," the organ accompaniment being played by Mrs. Sands. The pallbearers were: Messrs. A. W. Bowman, T. Griddle, H. Johnson, W. D. Campbell, W. Kirkbride and G. Gillison.

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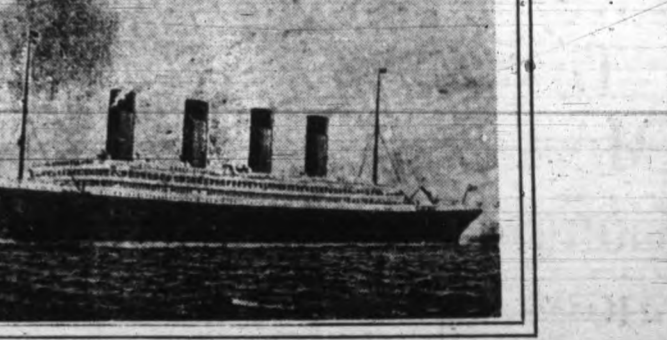
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SPORTING NEWS

BAYLEY ARRIVES HERE THURSDAY FOR BOUT WITH NEW CHAMPION

Cyclone Scott in Great Shape for Monday's Battle at Nanaimo; Local Boys Beaten at Vancouver

Joe Bayley will arrive here on Thursday according to a telegram received from the Victoria lightweight last night. Bayley is somewhat disappointed over his failure to hook up for some of the bouts in the south, and as the ring game is deemed in California after December 15, Bayley decided to come north to secure a fight with Rough-House Burns. The Victoria boy has been working steadily at Perence's gymnasium in Frisco, and is in the best of shape. He will immediately go after Burns, and as the latter's manager has stated that he will accommodate the Victoria boy for a 20-round encounter, the match is only a question of terms and location. Morris Condon is eager for a round Christmas week at Steveston.

Cyclone Scott will take a big following of local fight fans to Nanaimo next Monday night when he will meet Joe Little for the middleweight championship of Vancouver Island. Word has been received that Romeo Hagen and Billy Weekes have issued challenges to meet the winner, and Scott states that he will meet either of the pair for a split purse. Weekes recently beat Hagen at Tacoma and is looked upon as the best middleweight in the northwest. Pickets for the Scott-Little fight

are now on sale at the Panama hotel, Johnson street.

Seattle, Dec. 8.—It is announced that Charley (Rough-House) Burns, lightweight champion of Canada, has been secured to meet the winner of the Johnny O'Leary-Chet Neff bout, so the plot thickens. O'Leary and Neff are to meet in the Austin & Salt boxing show to-night and then Burns is to meet the winner. O'Leary held the title of champion lightweight of Canada until Burns took it away from him at Prince Rupert a few weeks ago. Johnny says he was given a raw deal in that bout.

Because Al Davies was overweight, the boy he was booked to meet backed down and Davies went on against Geo. Ross at Vancouver last night, being out-pointed in an extra round. Davies did not show his usual speed. Ross surprised the audience by his staying power and ability to absorb punishment. Referee Hugo MacDonald giving him the verdict after four close rounds.

Jack Larrigan made a fine showing against Stanley Clements and lost by a narrow margin. Clements was the cleverer of the two, but Larrigan kept plugging away. This boy should be one of the best with a little more experience.

Clear pictures with plenty of real fighting reveal the great taste that Willie Ritchie and Freddie Welsh put up for the lightweight crown at the National Supporting club, London, last summer when Welsh became lightweight champion. Welsh's cleverness is shown by his ability to make Ritchie miss. They are being shown at the Variety theatre.

first nine games played. Then one of the star players was injured, and the teams dropped six straight games. The New Westminster team which was transferred to Portland, made a poor start in 1913, losing the first three games it played. It later got to going better, but had too much of a handicap imposed on it to catch the Victoria team before the end of the season.

George Corbeau, who played with the Halifax Crescents in the Maritime league last winter, will be given a try-out by the Canadiens this winter. Mr. George Kennedy, manager of the Canadiens, announced yesterday that he had come to terms with Corbeau. With Corbeau the Canadiens will have two new French-Canadian players for their team this winter, as Bellevue has already attached his signature to a contract.

A practice of the Ladies' Hockey club will be held at the Arena to-morrow night.

FOUR VICTORIES FOR RICHARDSON'S

Richardson's went out in front in the Victoria Billiard league by winning four out of five games against the C. & C. team on the latter team's tables last night, the class of billiards displayed by the winners being of an exceptionally high order. Archie Broadfoot scored the only win for the C. & C. aggregation. Willie Marshall, Askey, Bailton and Robertson turned in points for Richardson's quintette. Sale, with 61, had the high run of the night.

The scores: Richardson's—Sale, 221 (61); Marshall, 254 (24); 27 unfinished; Askey, 250 (34); Bailton, 250 (25); Robertson, 250 (25); Metropolitan C. & C.—Broadfoot, 250 (25); Province, 50; Sawyer, 167; Williams, 152; Rice, 180 (24).

ARENA LEADER



BANDMASTER ROWLANDS
Who has charge of the Arena Musical programme. A number of patriotic selections have been added to the regular programme since the European war broke out.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Leslie Mann turned down an offer from the Federals.

O. B. were sorely jolted when Plank and Johnson jumped to the Federals.

Bobby Lea is the pick of the Fairfield forwards.

The Thistles were too strong in the attack for the Fairfields Saturday.

Johnny Kilbane is anxious to fight Freddie Welsh.

Although beaten, the Fairfields deserve credit for their plucky stand.

The Victoria High school teams are improving daily.

The West Juniors won for the second time this season from the Y. M. C. A. Saturday.

North Ward are right on the heels of the Wests.

Purdy plays a strong game for the Ward Juniors.

E. Hopkins, of the High school "B" team, is ripe for a position on the "A" five.

Cyclone Scott is showing class in his daily workouts.

The Multnomah club of Portland have a crack ice hockey team.

Oldham continues to lead the English league.

Alton Villa are steadily climbing in the First Division league.

Tooby, the Victoria West junior outside left, is ripe for the intermediate ranks.

Tommy Rickerson wagers 2-1 the Wests win the junior league.

The Fifth Regiment have two good backs in Davies and Donald.

Hewitt, the Fifth Regiment goalie, has not been severely tested this season, owing to the wonderful defence of the team.

OLD COUNTRY SOCCER LEADERS

English League—First Division				Southern League				
W	D	L	Pts	W	D	L	Pts	
Manham Athletic	10	3	21	Reading	11	5	4	24
Manchester City	8	4	18	Millwall Athletic	10	3	2	23
Blackburn Rovers	8	3	19	Brighton and Hove Albion	9	3	2	21
Sheffield Wednesday	8	4	20	West Ham United	8	7	2	22
Everton	8	4	20	Wattford	7	5	4	19
Aston Villa	8	3	19	Portsmouth	7	4	5	19
Bradford City	7	5	19	Cardiff	7	5	19	
West Bromwich Albion	7	4	18	Exeter City	6	5	18	
Huddersfield Town	6	4	16	Northampton	6	4	16	
Middlesbrough	6	3	15	Swindon Town	5	5	15	
Sunderland	6	1	13	Southern United	5	4	14	
Bradford	6	1	13	Bristol Rovers	5	2	14	
Liverpool	4	7	12	Luton Town	5	3	13	
Sheffield United	4	5	13	Plymouth Argyle	4	7	12	
Bolton Wanderers	5	2	10	Southampton	4	7	12	
Chelsea	5	2	10	Crystal Palace	4	4	12	
Tottenham Hotspur	3	4	10	Queen's Park Rangers	3	4	12	
Manchester United	3	4	10	Norwich City	3	6	12	
Notts County	2	5	9	Croydon Common	3	3	9	
				Gillingham	2	3	9	

English League—Second Division				Scottish League				
W	D	L	Pts	W	D	L	Pts	
Derby County	10	2	22	Hearts	13	1	3	25
Huddersfield Town	9	2	21	Celtic	13	2	2	26
Woolwich Arsenal	8	4	20	Morton	9	6	2	24
Preston North End	7	5	19	Rangers	10	3	2	23
Bristol City	7	4	18	Ayr United	9	5	2	21
Fulham	8	2	18	Hamilton Academicals	8	3	6	19
Bury	8	2	18	Airdrieonians	7	3	7	17
Barnesley	8	2	18	Falkirk	7	5	7	15
Birmingham	8	2	18	Third Lanark	5	5	15	15
Wolverhampton Wanderers	4	3	15	Partick Thistle	5	5	15	15
Hull City	6	3	15	Rhyl	5	4	14	14
Clapton Orient	5	5	15	St. Mirren	5	4	14	14
Grimsby Town	5	5	15	Rathfriland	5	4	14	14
Stockport County	5	4	14	Dumbarton	4	4	14	14
Leeds City	4	4	12	Dundee	4	3	14	14
Notts Forest	4	4	12	Greenock Juniors	4	3	14	14
Lincoln City	5	3	13	Aberdeen	4	5	9	13
Blackpool	5	1	11	Hibernians	4	4	12	12
Leicester Fosse	4	2	10	Queen's Park	3	5	9	11
Glossop	3	3	9	Motherwell	4	2	10	10

WINNIPEG OFFICER WILL LEAD A. A. U.

Canada May Send Official Team to Frisco Track Meet; President Urges Enticement

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—At the annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, a brief report of which was given on Saturday night, the president, Colonel D. H. Johnston, M. D., of Charlottetown, P. E. I., advised all the members of amateur athletic associations to link up with the military forces of the country in some way or other. Many of the members of the union are already at the battle-front, he said, in spite of the war amateur athletics are active.

Four recommendations were made by the president. These were: That all sports be placed under national governing bodies; That the executive of the A. A. U. of C. exist as a purely advisory body; That a national registration committee have charge of all reinstatement; That when professional soccer teams visited Canada the A. A. U. of C. give consent to allow amateur teams to compete with the visitors for educational purposes.

The first three were endorsed, but the last was held over for the board of governors to deal with later.

Whether the union should be represented in the athletic meet at the Panama exposition came up in the secretary's report.

The wrestling championships were awarded to the Winnipeg Y. W. C. A. The treasurer's report showed that there is a balance of \$1,440 on hand. Applications for reinstatement in the union came from two basketball teams, Ottawa and Toronto universities. The recommendation of the national registration committee to reinstate the teams was endorsed.

The new tennis training record made April 16, 1914, by Stuart Allen, St. Catharines, Ont., 52 min. 44 1/2 sec., was ratified, and the Canadian amateur records tabulated to date put in the official records. The definition of an amateur remains the same.

The next meeting place is to be chosen by the board of governors. It will likely be Winnipeg. Below are the new officers:

President, Thomas Boyd, Winnipeg;

HIGHLANDERS' RESERVE

Good Shooting Done by the Battalion at the Clover Point Ranges; Many Qualify for Higher Classes.

Fifty men of the 50th Highlanders' reserve battalion attended the weekly rifle practice at Clover Point range on Saturday afternoon. Several men qualified for the higher classes, although the fading light at 500 yards, towards the end of the practice, was the cause of several losses.

In future the firing will commence at 10 o'clock, and as many as possible are requested to attend at that time, so that in dull weather the whole practice may be carried out in full daylight.

Capt. Gillespie, whose assistance to the beginners is much appreciated, won the gold button in A class, making a best possible 31 at 500 yards. G. H. Walton won the silver button in B class, and R. White the bronze button in C class. The following are the scores:

A Class			
Yds.	Yds.	Yds.	Yds.
300	500	300	500
Capt. Gillespie	31	24	45
E. P. Eickard	28	25	38
Secret. Mayhew	31	31	31
W. Shilcock	28	28	28
C. H. Eilacott	26	25	24

B Class			
Yds.	Yds.	Yds.	Yds.
300	500	300	500
G. H. Walton	29	33	42
G. H. Fotherick	28	25	36
E. Wright	29	25	34
E. H. List	26	25	31
S. Hiberson	30	19	18
L. Crease	28	17	27

C Class			
Yds.	Yds.	Yds.	Yds.
300	500	300	500
R. White	29	27	26
J. Rogers	26	28	24
R. A. Todd	28	26	24
P. M. Roshier	26	26	22
R. Sheriff	28	24	22
W. Hole	24	27	21
Sergt. Hunkin	27	24	21
C. J. Legg	26	22	21
A. Hallum	22	28	20
C. B. Bagshawe	22	22	20
S. P. Cooke	24	21	21
Sergt. Livingston	20	21	21
C. B. Roshier	26	21	21
A. B. Morkill	25	20	21
C. H. Jones	25	17	21
S. Hordkinson	25	18	21
W. R. Foster	28	14	21
J. G. May	22	19	21
R. Dunan	20	19	21
T. E. Shaw	22	14	21
L. E. Cowan	22	15	21
H. A. Ismay	22	13	21
J. C. Gillespie	22	13	21
W. Warburton	22	9	21
C. Stronach	18	10	21
C. E. Greenwood	26	11	21
O. B. Eller	26	11	21
F. Cancellor	16	11	21
J. B. Bishop	16	11	21
It. J. Beatty	10	10	21

It is rumored the Federal league are seeking the services of Bob Brown.

GIANTS CANNOT HOLD MARQUARD

Russ' Hall to Manage Tacoma Club; McGinnity Will Remain in Northwestern

Chicago, Dec. 8.—An affidavit in which Rube Marquard declares he is under no binding contract with any team other than the Brooklyn Federals, was received in the office of President Gilmore yesterday, attached to the document in which the New York pitcher agrees to play for the Wards. Gilmore displayed the affidavit as an answer to charges that Marquard was under contract with the New York Nationals, hence could not legally join the Brooklyn team.

The Federal president also displayed a contract in which Ed Konetchy, of the Pittsburg Nationals, agreed to play for the Pittsburg Federals.

The ranks of veteran baseball players suffered heavy inroads during 1914, no less than eleven famous stars having died up to December 1. Among the number were: Rube Wadell, Buck Weaver, Harry Steinfield, Buster Brown, Rosie Weber, Charley Ganzel, Danny Green, Ossie Schreck and Helme Reitz. Jack Sheridan, the veteran umpire, also joined the great majority.

New York, Dec. 8.—If all the baseballs which are hit into the stand and over the stand here during a season could be recovered enough would be saved to pay the salary of any New York player except Christy Mathewson. The Giants paid somewhat over \$4,000 last year, and the expense of the Yankees was almost as much, making a total of \$8,000 in round numbers. The balls are sold to the clubs at \$15 a dozen.

The Boston Braves spent even more. The expense in their case was traced to the short right field fence. Charles Somers, of Cleveland, reports a waste-age of \$2,765, and Schuyler Britton had to write a cheque for \$2,295 for the 195 dozen balls that were used by the Cardinals last year.

And yet some of the fans are indignant when the special police make attempts to recover balls which have been hit into the crowd.

Russ Hall will be the manager of the Tacoma Tigers in 1915, according to the announcement made by President J. J. McGinnity yesterday. Although the "Iron Man" is under contract to the Venice club in the Pacific Coast league, he said yesterday that he would probably get his release and take his turn in the box for the Tigers.

Walter Johnson's record for the seven years which he has pitched for Washington follows:

Year	Won	Lost	Pct.
1908	14	14	500
1909	13	25	342
1910	25	17	595
1911	23	15	605
1912	32	12	727
1913	36	7	837
1914	28	18	609

EDDIE COLLINS IS SOLD TO WHITE SOX

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8.—Eddie Collins, star second-baseman of the Athletics, was to-day sold to the Chicago Americans, according to Connie Mack, manager of the champions. Negotiations have been under way for some time and the deal was consummated in New York to-day, the contracts being signed in that city.

FOUGHT A DRAW.

Akron, Ohio, Dec. 8.—Joe Mandot, of New Orleans, a lightweight, and Johnny Kilbane, of Cleveland, champion featherweight, fought a twelve-round bout here last night. The bout was a clever one and, while no decision was given, the newspaper writers said it was even.

THE ONLY CURE FOR CONSTIPATION

"Fruit-a-tives"—That Wonderful Remedy Made From Fruit Juices.

Avon, Ont., May 14, 1913. I have used 'Fruit-a-tives' for indigestion and Constipation with most excellent results, and they continue to be my only medicine. When I started about six years ago to use them, I took four at a dose but gradually reduced the dose to one tablet at night. Before taking 'Fruit-a-tives', I took salts and other pills but the treatment was too harsh. I thought I might as well suffer from the illness as from the treatment. Finally, I saw 'Fruit-a-tives' advertised with a letter in which some one recommended them very highly, so I tried them, and I have no hesitation in recommending them. ANXIE E. CORBETT.

PATRIOTIC KENNEL SHOW TO BE HELD

The Victoria City Kennel club show will be held this year in the drill hall, Dec. 16. Yesterday the officials received word that they might have the use of this building on that date, and practically all arrangements have been completed. The feature of the show will be the sale of dogs, the proceeds to be contributed towards the patriotic fund. Several well-known local dog fanciers are ready to contribute "thoroughbred" animals. Ribbons will be given in each class. Puppies will be divided into classes under 6 months and under 1 year. The novice class will include all dogs which have never won first honors in any show.

Entries will be received by the secretary up to the day of the exhibition from 2 to 5 p. m. in his office, 330 Central building, or at the door of the drill hall from 7 to 8 p. m. Judging will commence at 8 p. m. Those desiring further information will consult Secretary D. W. Campbell, 330 Central building, or phone 7003.

ATHLETIC CLUB SMOKER.

A social and smoking concert will be given this evening by the Five C's Athletic club in the Cathedral school-room, corner of Quadra and Burdett avenue commencing at 8 p. m. A good musical programme will be rendered.

HEDEGOGS AS HOUSE-CLEANERS.

Canadian backwoodsmen when in camp during the winter entertain many strange guests—hedegogs among them. One woodsmen, it appears, used to neglect purposely to close the door of his shack in order that the hedegogs might enter and clean his floor. As the principal constituents of the camp menu are pork and beans, bacon, and other dishes rich in fat, considerable grease is spilled upon the floor in the course of a week, and a hedegog will risk his neck at any time for a bit of fat.

Just as soon therefore as this particular camp was deserted by its occupants the spiny gluttons would hasten in and begin to plane off the surface of the floor with their chisel-shaped teeth, eating away all the wood that held a trace of grease. On his return to camp the owner could sweep up and enjoy the comforts of a clean house for another week. The only serious objection to this method of house-cleaning lay in the fact that it was necessary to lay a new camp rather frequently.

NOTICE

A Grand Turkey Shoot

Will be held at George Spence's Turkey Ranch, Metehon, on the 13th day of December, 1914. Get your Christmas Turkey cheap.

Prices Lowered To Meet Conditions

Now Is the Time to Buy

ALLEN & CO. Fit-Reform Clothing Sale

HERE ARE SOME OF THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE PRICES FOR WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

\$15.00 to \$16.50 Suits—Prices Slashed to	\$9.85	\$15.00 Overcoats—Prices Slashed to	\$9.90
It is impossible in this limited space to describe these splendid Suits. They are priced unusually low for such sterling qualities.		The one big chance of the year to secure a serviceable Overcoat at a remarkable price reduction.	
\$20.00 and \$22.00—Slaughtered to	\$14.65	\$18.00 to \$22.00 Overcoats—Prices Smashed to	\$14.65
New and fashionable garments in an array of colors and patterns that leaves practically nothing out.		To describe the fine tailoring and careful detail of finish in these garments would read like the specification charts of the master clothiers.	
\$30.00 to \$35.00 Suits—Now at	\$21.85	\$25.00, \$28.00 and \$30.00 Overcoats—Slaughtered at	\$19.90
You now have the choice of some of the finest fancy Suits in the house; some of the best fabrics that the looms of the world produce.		Here are only the latest models, the newest materials. These Overcoats represent the very cream of the finest garment makers.	

ALLEN & CO., Cor. Yates and Broad Sts.

A Red, White and Blue Sale

The purpose of which is to meet conditions as they are, and give all a chance to buy the best clothes at popular prices.

NET PROCEEDS \$41.

Ladies' Committee of Orphanage. Acknowledges Services of Young Performers Who Helped Home Funds.

At the regular meeting of the ladies' committee of the Orphanage, held yesterday afternoon, it was reported that the net proceeds of the performance of "The Sleeping Beauty," produced last Saturday at the home, was \$41. A special vote of thanks was accorded those who took part in the performance.

Mrs. McTavish presided, and those present were Mesdames McCulloch, W. R. Higgins, Miller, Munroe, A. Stewart, Andrews, Toller, Todd, W. G. Cameron, Langley, J. W. Spencer, Cochenour, Scowcroft, Muckle, Sherwood and Miss Tolmie.

The date of the annual Christmas entertainment, it was stated, would be Tuesday, December 22, when the usual committees would have charge of the arrangements. The matron's report showed that during the year 22

children had been placed out in service or had returned to their own homes, and 17 had been received into the home. The committee was informed that E. Howard Russell had expressed his intention of giving an entertainment next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the high school in aid of the home, the new high school orchestra to provide a number of selections, and Mrs. Macdonald (Paley) having promised to sing.

Bills amounting to \$214.50 were ordered paid, and the visitors for December were appointed. These are Mrs. Cochenour and Miss Metcalf.

The following donations were gratefully acknowledged:

The Ladies' Needlework Guild, fifty-seven articles of clothing; Mrs. Drury, clothing; Mrs. Heather, clothing; Mrs. Fess, clothing; Mrs. G. D. Christie, clothing; Mrs. Fleming, clothing; Mrs. L. Lodge, sandwiches and cake; Mrs. Vigilius, biscuits; Mrs. J. M. Langley, jelly powder; Mrs. A. J. Lindsay, five nightgowns; Mrs. Spencer, oranges; Mrs. Jas. Peters, apples;

Cloverdale, 100 pounds of sugar; Miss Tomlin, apples; Mrs. Gordon, venison; Mrs. MacEachern, literature; Mrs. W. R. Higgins, apples; Mr. O'Neil, samples; Mrs. Nichols, apples; Mrs. McLennan, apples; a friend, apples and potatoes; Mrs. Loney, stockings; Mrs. Goodere, apples; a friend, hats; Hazel Partridge and Dorothy Hastie, biscuits; a friend, samples; Mrs. Fess, a friend, 11. Miss Alexander, \$5; and proceeds of "The Sleeping Beauty," \$41.

You Have a Home when you get a room at \$2.50 at the Blanshard Inn, next Public Library.

"What do they say to you?" asked Miss Harry's mother, after his first visit to the new Sunday school. "The teacher said she was glad to see me," replied Harry. "And she said she hoped I would come every Sunday." "And was that all she said?" "No," she asked me if our family belonged to that denomination."

RATHER DEAD THAN IN GERMAN PRISON

Capt. H. E. Ward, of This City, Writes to Friends Describing His Experiences

Accompanying are extracts from letters from Capt. H. E. Ward, of this city, a son of William C. Ward, former manager of the Bank of British Columbia here prior to its being merged with the Bank of Commerce. Captain Ward joined the East Kent Regiment at the commencement of the war, and is now a prisoner in German hands.

In the first letter from the front, written under date of October 29, 1914, he says:

"I have been doing a tremendous lot—fighting, digging, marching, waiting." After mentioning the deaths of two of his comrades and that of Prince Maurice of Battenberg, he continues: "We had absolute hell on Tuesday. Most of us had pieces of shrapnel in our clothes and smaller pieces in our faces. My face is all pitted from shrapnel bursting on the road in front of me. My sergeant-major and I both went backwards, and a mass with us and it was quite amusing to see us each look up and ask, 'Are you all right?'"

"I am not allowed to mention numbers, but we have lost quite heavily this week—that is our latitude—but we slowly gain and bear it and are thankful we can still be cheerful."

"In my company there is a colored lad who has been the life and soul of our advances, clearing and keeping a wonderful lookout for us on our flank. He started by being tossed in the air by a backward shot—just came up and landing when they called for names, I shall recommend him."

"We have found any amount of dead and wounded Germans; some had been lying for four days before we picked them up. There is a trench near by that has 43 dead ones in it. Our chaps are a wonderful lot and put up with everything. This morning I had my first wash of hands and face in several days. I have forgotten what it means."

Seven days later, under date of November 6, from the military prison in Germany, "Feldpost" to Mrs. Spencer, Capt. Ward writes:

"I suppose we have been reported missing in the newspapers before you get this, as we were taken prisoners last Monday about midday and I reached here on Wednesday night very tired and all wishing we were dead. Instead of in the terrible position of being a prisoner of war, which, of course, is an awful disgrace. We are in Hussar barracks—very large place with very fine buildings, too, and are pretty comfortable and well looked after. I am not detected by censors and feel."

"We are allowed to write two letters a month which, of course, are censored, and so are those coming to us. My address, which I hope you can read, must be carefully written. We are allowed to receive parcels up to 5 kilos (10 pounds) in weight, so with your place send me three pairs of socks, three khaki shirts and collars, some colored handkerchiefs, two pairs of trousers and some underclothing. I have never received any parcels except two tins of tobacco, but for the last two weeks we had been all over the place. We had about twenty mail bags to open; now someone else will get the benefit of my things, as this is what happens to officers' effects when they are killed, wounded or missing. I wish to goodness I had been killed instead of this, as how we are useless to ourselves or anyone else; it is an awful position."

"I did not have a shave for a fortnight or my boots off. My feet seem absolutely numbed. We can buy things in the canteen here, but money is short, as you only allowed a 'five' at a time. I am a nuisance bothering you with all these things as I do not deserve anything now, being a prisoner. It is too awful and I would give anything to be lying in a trench or shell-swept wood again. I am very well, but still feel pretty tired."

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the British Columbia Railway Act, and

In the Matter of the Expropriation by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company of part of Lot 20, Section 79, Victoria District.

TAKE NOTICE that the above named Company has, under the power conferred by the British Columbia Railway Act, compulsorily acquired ALL that piece or parcel of land being part of Lot 20, Section 79, Victoria District, as shown on Land Registry Office Map 550, having a uniform width of sixty-eight feet and containing thirty-eight hundredths of an acre (0.38 ac.) more or less, and which may also be described as a strip 68.2 feet in width along the southern boundary of Lots 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in the subdivision of the said Lot 20.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the compensation payable by the above named Company in respect of the land aforesaid has been determined by arbitration at the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00).

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the above named Railway Company has paid into Court the said sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to stand in the stead of the lands aforesaid, and any claim to or encumbrance upon the said lands or any part thereof shall be deemed to be satisfied by the said Railway Company's conversion into a claim for compensation or to a like proportion thereof.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the award constituting the title of the above named Railway Company, an authentic copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of the Supreme Court at Victoria has been obtained under the authority of the British Columbia Railway Act.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any person claiming an interest in or a right to the said lands or any part thereof or claiming any encumbrance upon the said lands must file their claims to the compensation or any part thereof with the Registrar of the Supreme Court at Victoria within 14 days of the date hereof.

Dated the 20th day of December, A. D. 1914.

ROBERT ELLIOTT & LAWSON, Solicitors for the above named Railway Company, whose address for service is 315 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their sitting to be held on the 9th of December, 1914, for a renewal of the license to sell liquor by retail now held by me in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situated at No. 146 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, in respect of which license a temporary permit has been granted for the transfer of the same to Joseph Balagoo.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1914.

A. E. BROOKS, Holder of License. JOSEPH BALAGOO, Holder of Temporary Permit.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, William Bryant and John Fisher, will apply to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their sitting to be held on the 9th day of December, 1914, for a renewal of the license to sell liquor by retail now held by them in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situated at number 146 Government Street, in the said City of Victoria, in respect of which license a temporary permit has been granted for the transfer of the said license to the said John Fisher.

Dated the 20th day of December, 1914.

W. BRYANT, J. FISHER.

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Dated this 2nd day of November, 1914.

F. W. KOSTENBADER, Applicant.

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JAMES DUFFY, Applicant.

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J. LUCAR, Applicant.

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Dated the 20th day of November, 1914.

CHARLES BERING, Applicant. By his agent, T. M. Miller, GEORGE SPOONER.

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Dated this 2nd day of November, 1914.

PHILIP CROMBIE, Applicant.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Charles Bering and George Spooner, will apply to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their sitting to be held on the 9th day of December, 1914, for a renewal of the license to sell liquor by retail now held by the said Charles Bering in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situated at number 146 Government Street, in the said City of Victoria, in respect of which license a temporary permit has been granted for the transfer of the said license to the said George Spooner.

Dated the 20th day of November, 1914.

By his agent, T. M. Miller, GEORGE SPOONER.

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Dated this 2nd day of November, 1914.

THEODOR ANDERSEN, Applicant.

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Dated the 20th day of November, 1914.

A. HESSON, Applicant.

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JAMES RAY, Applicant.

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ALEX. W. ELASER, JOHN LIND, Applicant.

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JOS. FREEMAN, Applicant.

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We hereby give notice that we will apply at the next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners for the renewal of the license to sell liquor by retail now held by us for the premises known as 1354 Ross Street.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO., Applicant.

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ANDREW KENNEDY, Applicant.

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T. T. TROTTER, Applicant.

734 Yates Street Shelton's Stock

CREDITORS' CLEARING SALE

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It's a Sale Sure Without a Doubt

Note Below Our Wednesday's Specials

Suggestions for Xmas Presents at Prices Almost Half

CHILDREN'S BOOTEES, MITTS AND KID SHOES, GAITERS, STOCKINETTES, ETC. FANCY COLLARS, FANCY HAIR ORNAMENTS, COMBS, SILK SCARF, FANCY AND SILK KNITTED MEN'S AND BOYS' TIES, SILK SHAWLS, FANCY TABLE LINENS, FANCY JEWELRY, GOLF COATS, UNDERWEAR, FURS, MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, CHILD'S FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS, WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, HOSIERY, GLOVES, UNDERSKIRTS, and hundreds of good sensible gifts now on sale.

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A big shipment also delayed in transit; has just come into the hands of the creditors and will pass out at prices never before thought of. See our window. Come in and get our prices. In this big display will be shown Blouses from

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Worth double.

Misses' Coat Sale

NOTICE

Mothers you'll be wanting Coats for the girls, no doubt. We would like you to take a look at values throughout the city, then when you are satisfied, take a look through the lines carried here and the price for the big Clearing Sale. To-morrow we are offering Misses' Coats up to 12 years. Our clearing price cost, only

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Think of this!

Creditors' Clearing Prices on Entire Stocks—They Got to Go

Children's Bear Skin Coats—3 Special Lots

They come in range of tan shades, assorted sizes. Beautiful little Coats, and worth just double the price we are asking.

Lot 1—Special price \$2.35
Lot 2—Special price \$2.95
Lot 3—Special price \$3.25

Women's Tweed Skirts

They have just been taken into stock. Late shipment, hence they go at the sale prices as other goods. To-morrow at, each, \$1.25

Fancy Tea Cloths in Pure White Linen

They come in one size only, 26 in., in dainty patterns, every one of them. Price, each, only 75c

Women's Cravenette Coats

15 only, Women's Raincoats in natural color, full length and regular sizes to select from. These Coats are worth up to \$10. Sale price \$4.95 while they last, each

Staple Articles of Usefulness for Wednesday

Heavy Fancy Cretonnes, price to clear at, per yard, 12 1/2c

Heavy White Flannelettes, very wide, excellent quality and worth 20c. Our sale price 15c

Dress Materials, mohair effects, in mostly light shades. Priced, per yard, 50c

Cambric, lovely quality English Cambrics, all pure white. Special, yd., 15c

Women's Winter Coats

Fine Heavy Tweed Coats, every one of them, and are now on display in our show windows. Coats worth up to \$18.00. Clearing price \$3.50

Wednesday's Specials

Children's Kilted Skirts, Each \$1.25

40 only, Child's Kilted Skirts, made of heavy cheviot serges, in colors of navy, tau, Alice, brown, cream. These are very special value at \$1.25 each

Wednesday's Hosiery Values

We have selected from our mammoth Hosiery stock a number of special lines in black and tan colors, suitable for 'children, misses', girls and boys, and ladies as well. Price, per pair, 20c

Children's Coats

100 only, Child's Serge Coats, heavy quality, and come in navy only, trimmed with self, in colors of Alice and red. Child's size only. Worth \$2.50 and \$3.00. Priced at, each, \$1.25

Shelton's Old Stand, 734 Yates, Creditors' in Charge

LOOKING BACKWARD

Bishop Garratt, in the Evening of Life at His Home, Remembers Victoria.

The venerable Bishop of Dallas, Texas, better known in British Columbia where he ministered as an Anglican missionary for ten years from 1829 as the Rev. Alexander C. Garratt, is still in good health at his home at Dallas a picture of the old man will be taken and by flowers in the library at his residence, has been received by Edgar Fawcett, who sends greetings of Victoria news to the bishop, and it shows the old gentleman in good health. Dr. Garratt, an eloquent Irishman who could always draw a congregation, was a prominent worker in church and charitable circles in early Victoria.

Mr. Fawcett has corresponded with him for some years, a lady friend sends the Bishop a card, where the Bishop holds a position there such as that possessed by the late Bishop Critchley here. The Bishop annually holds a reception on his birthday anniversary which is attended by hundreds of friends. He is much interested in Victoria, and Mr. Fawcett sends him news from time to time. The Bishop hopes to visit this city soon.

In a letter which a lady friend sends she says in part: "He addressed the Scottish Rite Masons one night—they were there about 1899 there—and when he came on the stage every man in the hall rose and cheered. There some other weddings, meetings, etc., but the most impressive was his address to a mass meeting recently for women to get funds for the Red Cross nurses."

COURT OF REVISION ON MUNICIPAL VOTERS' LIST FOR 1915.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF REVISION ON THE MUNICIPAL VOTERS' LIST for the City of Victoria, at their sitting to be held on the 9th day of December, 1914, at 10 a. m., in the City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk, Office, Victoria, B. C., Dec. 1, 1914.

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The proprietor of a large drapery establishment was being pestered one day by commercial travellers. At last, when yet another entered, he looked sternly at the newcomer, and said: "Young man, do you see that clock on the wall there?—'Yes, sir,' replied the traveller, glancing in that direction. 'Well, in just five minutes by that clock I am going to shoot every traveller I find in this shop.' In five minutes 'That is what I have said.' 'Then I have just time to sell you a few lines of goods,' the traveller quickly said, opening his bags. And he sold them.—Weekly Telegraph.

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Hampshire Road—House, 6 rooms, modern, furnace, \$15.00
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 Douglas St.—House, 5 rooms, \$15.00
 Douglas St.—Store, \$15.00
 Johnson St.—House, 5 rooms, \$15.00
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LOVELY HAWAIIAN PLAY IS REPEATED

"The Bird of Paradise" Again Delights a Victoria Audience, and is Splendidly Presented

To an appreciative if not over-full house, Richard Walton Tully's charming play of Hawaiian life and character, "The Bird of Paradise," was again presented in the Royal Victoria theatre last evening. It is a year since the piece was seen here with the same cast of principals, and, as on that occasion, it leaves a pleasant memory of setting and presentation.

It is a play that is interesting rather for its atmosphere than for its construction, plot, character-drawing or language. There are many branches in the plot and this does not add to the dramatic content of the play. The first two acts leave one in a somewhat uncertain attitude of mind and emotion, which ought not to be so in a capably-constructed piece, though from the opening of the third act sympathy and attention begin to be aroused. But in the local color and he uses it to excellent effect. He in his play and the producer and stage manager in their giving body to it, the setting have transported to the boards as faithful a picture of the old Hawaii as is possible outside of actual life.

With a production that—apart from the scenic beauty and the undertone of soft Hawaiian music that runs along with the unfolding of the plot like an accompaniment—puzzles the spectator as to the emotions it arouses, one wonders if the dramatist meant to do more than produce a pleasing spectacle. The persistence of old beliefs and superstitions, and their obstruction through the thin veneer of an alien civilization, the ignorance of a mutual affection that is not based on something more than physical attraction; the extent of the value of the earnest efforts of missionaries; the strength of acquired principles and their reappearance in the most unexpected surroundings; the languorous appeal of the isles of the south—all these things, among others, may have been in the mind of the playwright, or may not, and may strike one person in one way and another in another.

Miss Lenore Ulrich still a slip of a girl, has broadened in her interpretation of Luana, the "bird of paradise," with the months, and plays it with a sure touch and a clearer vision of the mental processes of the girl. She was equally convincing as the elemental woman wooing the mate she has chosen with frank nativete and unshamed, as the jealous wife and as the self-sacrificing woman, giving up love and life at once for the unworthy object of her affection and for her people. The character of Diana Larned is not at all convincing as it is written, but as played by Miss Grey-Hill appears and affords a vivid contrast of the manner of loving of the intellectual and cultured woman, deep and tender and true. She sees the difference between the man she is tentatively in love with and the innate manliness of the beachcomber who is for the time down and out, and she gives her heart where her reason tells her happiness and worth are more certain, but who incidentally reserve waits until she is wooed.

David Landau is a sincere and an excellent Dean, the drollery whose manhood is stirred into life again by the expansion of a good woman's faith in him. William Desmond made the worthlessness of Paul Wilson quite apparent with deft touches and a sure technique. Robert Morris was a big American planter to the life. The good bit of work was done by Joseph Burton as Hobson. He was here last year in a smaller part. The others, American and Hawaiian, filled in their parts well.

The settings were, as on the former occasion, deserving of high praise, whether the softer scenes of the Puna coast and Waikiki Beach or the sterner scenes of the interior. The many admirers of Omar Khayyam must thank Mr. Tully for expressing through the lips of Diana Larned the fact that the philosophy of the poet is a far finer thing than is imagined by those who glibly quote the quatrains in praise of the grape.

OBJECTS TO QUALITY

Real Estate Exchange Holds That Victoria Gas Should Be Better

The real estate exchange has drawn the attention of the city council to the high cost of fuel gas in the city—charged by the Victoria Gas company and has asked the council to take the opinion of its solicitor on the matter to see what power the council has under the franchise to regulate the quality.

After Alderman Fullerton had added a note of complaint on the character of the light supplied to consumers, the city council had evening referred to the subject to the light committee, and the solicitor for a report.

The exchange's letter said in part: "In discussing the subject at the meeting as to prices charged for fuel or illuminating gas in other cities of less size than Victoria, it was proven that the charges for fuel gas in Victoria are nearly three times as much as in any other city of the same size in the United States. Considering the high cost of fuel gas is a detriment to the city, we would ask your honorable body to ascertain from your solicitor whether the city council has any power under the charter of the Victoria Gas company to compel the company, first, to give pure gas, and, secondly, to regulate the price of gas, or whether the city solicitor can advise any other course to bring about the desired effect."

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DR. LEWIS HALL, Dental Surgeon, Jewel Block, cor. Yates and Douglas streets, Victoria. Telephone: Office, 557; Residence, 122.
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I teach ordinary or, almost all, instruments in ordinary use, but my special part is in having made a special study of the art of teaching the piano and violin. The 1914 gold medal, value \$20—annually awarded by me for close application, careful practice and steady progress, has been already presented to Miss Ellen H. Fletcher, 2803 Byron street, Oak Bay (a ten months' student only). Entries and enrolments for the 1915 gold medal contest will extend from the 1st of September to the 31st of October next, this giving an unbroken period of eight months during which the weekly progress of each pupil will be carefully tallied as well as impartially noted. As far as the winning of these valuable and beautiful medals is concerned, the "new beginner" and the advanced student stand on an absolute equality.

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meets at K. of H. Hall, North Park street, every Tuesday. Dictator, F. Bates, 146 Woodland road. C. E. Copeland, secretary, 1330 Minto street. P. O. Box 101.

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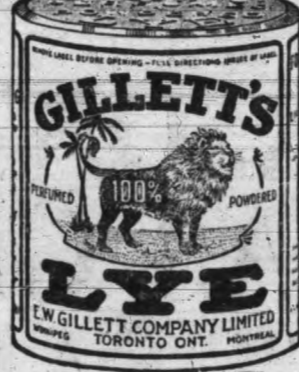
DEPARTMENTAL RED TAPE IS STRUCK AT

Court Hears Two Applications and Honors Are Left Even

Red tape in the departments of the provincial government came to the front twice this morning in Mr. Justice Morrison's court, and once it succeeded in entangling a petitioner so securely that he is rendered helpless. In the other case, however, the court was able to give its assistance to the citizen who asked for it, and this happened to be the one in which more general interest would be taken, as it affects the land registry offices in the province.

Mr. Elliott, in behalf of a client named Clancy, asked the court for an order directing the registrar of titles to register a certain conveyance which it was desired to file. The point at issue was between his client and the registrar as to the validity of a power of attorney.

GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT



At the tea-tables, which were in charge of Mesdames Kirk, Pendry, Burt and Tubb, a corps of young girls in pretty Japanese dress, served the delicious afternoon refreshment.

PIONEER WHO CAME WEST IN 62 DIES

William Fortune Was Widely Known Throughout Kamloops District

William Fortune, whose death occurred last Tuesday at Kamloops, had perhaps one of the most interesting histories of any of the early pioneers of the province.

Mr. Elliott took the ground that the document had been made in connection with property in Ontario and the copy used here came with the certificate of the registrar of the Thunder Bay district that it was registered there, which he contended was sufficient for the British Columbia government department and courts.

With the coming of the railroad he turned his attention to ranching, and in later years had become quite famous in the upper country as an orchardist, being one of the first men in the Kamloops district to show the magic possibilities of semi-arid land under irrigation.

His ranch was formerly situated on what is now the site of the famous Tranquille sanatorium. Years ago his pioneer was in the lawless sixties, being well-known as "Lady Jane," and playing a prominent part in all the ventures of his husband.

William Fortune was a pioneer in nearly everything connected with Kamloops. He was a member of the overland party from Toronto via Journey Bay in 1862, making the trip through the coast and through the Rockies almost entirely on foot and by the small river craft devised for journeys of the kind.

Mr. Elliott maintained that this was a case of irregularity in the proceedings which should be given discretion to assist him to cure by giving him an adjournment to secure identically the same affidavit executed before a proper officer. He informed his lordship that if this was not done his clients were absolutely out of court, as the month within which the petition had to be filed was expired.

Mr. Fortune, together with the late D. G. Macpherson, on the north side of the lake, and hauled across on the ice to the south side, the "swags" being on the site of the present Adams River Lumber company.

Stirring as were the early adventures of the old pioneer and his wife, the end came in the Royal Inland hospital at Kamloops peacefully. His wife, Mrs. Jane Fortune, survives him, together with several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon in the presence of a very large gathering of old-timers and newer friends of the family, Rev. H. S. Akhurst, of St. Paul's church, officiating.

None now in Victoria who have come down from the interior during the past few years but knew the deceased, who was amongst the most widely known men in the Kamloops district.

RISES FROM THE RANKS

Sergeant-Major Wheeler is Appointed to a Lieutenant in the New Irish Army; Military Notes.

Regimental Sergeant-Major Charles F. O. Wheeler, who has been attached to the Victoria volunteer guard from his formation, was granted this morning by the receipt of a cable from the war office informing him that he had been gazetted to a lieutenant in the new Irish army corps, and ordering him to report at once in Belfast to join his corps.

Lieut. Wheeler is a soldier with a long and highly honorable career as a non-commissioned officer to his credit, which he is now about to add to as an officer. He has served in the navy and the army, and was for years instructor in both branches of the service. He served in all the great wars and several of the smaller ones of the last 35 years, and has a row of medals and clasps that reaches across a chest that is of no small measure. In the last 15

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years there have been over 40 members of the family serving in the two branches, and their combined service has amounted to 464 years. His great grandfather and a great-uncle served under Nelson at Trafalgar, and other members of the family were in notable engagements in the Crimea, in the

mutiny, in India, South Africa and other parts of the world. There will be no drill of the businessmen's company of the 50th Highlanders this evening, but the men will assemble at 7.15 p.m. for the purpose of drawing rifles at the headquarters, corner of Fort Street and Linden Avenue. They are asked to attend at the hour named promptly. It is intended that the men shall take part in the route march of the Overseas force, the 30th battalion, which will be of great service to the corps.

Capt. Perry, of the Vancouver company of the Canadian Army Service Corps, is in the city to-day and went out to Work Point barracks, and later to the Willows camp, to consult with the military authorities in regard to the arrangements for the organization of the detachment of that branch of the service which is to go to the front with the second contingent. There are 96 men in the Vancouver company, all of whom have volunteered to go with the service corps of the contingent being sent from this province. Others are joining from here, and there are several men coming down from Island points.

The Victoria Volunteer Guard will parade tonight at their headquarters for company drill, following which Major W. S. Weeks, the officer commanding, will address the men and take up some matters of business with them.

Will Lecture Here—Dr. Dawson, the world traveler, will address a gathering at the Alexandra club on Thursday on his travels. Mayor Stewart will preside. The public is cordially invited.

American Society—The American society will meet to-night in the Odd Fellows hall, Douglas, and Johnson streets. An informal entertainment and dance will follow the business meeting.

Sale To-morrow—The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Congregational church will hold their sale of work to-morrow afternoon and evening in the lecture room of the church, corner of Quadra and Mason streets. Mrs. Currie, late missionary in South Africa, has kindly consented to open the sale.

Ex-Moderator to Speak—Rev. R. P. McKay, D. D., ex-moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada and secretary of the foreign mission committee, will speak in St. Andrew's church this evening at 8 o'clock, in the series of special services being held preparatory to the commencement of next Sunday.

I. O. F. Meeting—Court Cariboo No. 745, Independent Order of Foresters, will hold its regular monthly meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the Knights of Pythias committee room, North Park street. Special business: Election of officers for 1915. All members of the order are cordially invited to attend.

Medal Contest—A silver medal contest under the auspices of the Central union, W. C. T. U., will be held to-night at 8 in the Baptist hall, corner of Quadra and Yates streets. A good programme will be rendered and the proceeds of the concert will be devoted to the work of the W. C. T. U. in the city.

Put Out of Business—A Chinese gambling house at 553 Cormorant street was put completely out of business to-day when Magistrate Jay fined Chung Hop, the owner, in the sum of \$100 and ordered all the apparatus found on the place confiscated. A small sum of money, the proceeds of illegal gaming, was also taken in charge. After entering a plea of not guilty, Chung Hop took the liberty of changing his mind and confessed that he was guilty.

Stands Trial To-morrow—The trial of George L. Dykeman, accused of stealing money from the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, was put over, until to-morrow at the earnest request of the accused in the police court this morning. He stated that he had not yet had time to instruct his

lawyer. The City Prosecutor announced that in all probability various charges of stealing small amounts would be preferred instead of dealing with the lump sum which is said to have been taken. R. C. Lowe will appear for the accused.

Held Short Session—No business of any special importance came before the Oak Bay council last evening. The usual reports were received, and one or two communications dealt with. The business session was a very brief one.

MEETINGS

Daughters of Pity—A special meeting of the Daughters of Pity will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the home of Miss Lovell, 1109 View street.

Elks to Meet—A special meeting of the Elks club will be held in the club-rooms this evening. Business of the utmost importance will be discussed and all members are requested to attend.

Plan Christmas Work—The Christmas work committee of the Friendly Help society, of which Mrs. McMicking is convenor, will meet to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the rooms, Market hall.

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PERSONAL Mrs. J. H. Beck (nee Miss Elsie Stewart) will hold her post-nuptial reception on Thursday from 3 to 6 p.m. and 8 to 10 p.m., at her home, 312 Linden avenue.

Empress Hotel DINNER DANCE Will be given on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1914

Valuable Xmas Presents Given Away Free at Our Great Auction Sale Quite a number of people have received some very expensive presents by attending this great sale. It costs you nothing for a chance. Come in and get a ticket on the drawing which is held after each sale. THOUSANDS ATTEND THIS GREAT SALE DAILY. GET IN WITH THE CROWD TO-DAY Sales Start at 1.30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Pennock & Godfrey Co. Limited 628 YATES Where the Cars Stop

WILL BE OPPOSITION

Objection Will Be Taken to Some Renewals of Liquor Licenses To-morrow

The proceedings at the license commissioners' meeting to-morrow promise to be interesting, as several objections will be taken by moral reform organizations to the renewal of licenses where there have been convictions in police court this year. Attention has been directed to the matter for some days and counsel has

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MONEY TAKES—Will sell for all cash, 2 large, high and dry lots, facing on two streets, with over 120 fruit trees. Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, near train and main road. Price \$2,000. Phone owner, 12531 R.

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LOST—Two fifty-dollar bills, Reward \$5. Box 41, Times.

WANTED—English baby carriage, in good condition. Box 410, Times.

TO LET—Six rooms, modern house, James Bay; cheap rent. Phone 7231 R.

WANTED—To exchange Victoria property for stock ranch in Southern Alberta (west of fifth meridian). What offer? Box 99, Times.

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LOST—On Rockland Avenue, Belcher or Fort street and Arena, about 8:30 p.m., Alaska saddle rifle. Telephone for reward 123.

THAT 2187 I have a printing job.

WANTED—Girl for general house work, small family. Phone 5141 R.

MAKE MOTHER HAPPY—A splendid new pair of glasses fitted by Frank Chignon, 411 H. Uptara at 54 Yates street (corner Douglas). Phone 531 R.

INSURANCE CANNASSER and organizer wanted for fraternal lodges. Over twenty years in existence. Address Grand Secretary, P. O. Box 82, city. 48

PRINTING PRESS WANTED—Full power, latest pattern, in fine full particulars, Box 571, Times.

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TO LET—Collins Apartments, 116 Collins street, nice 4 roomed, unfurnished apartment. 411

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FOR SALE—Ford car, 5-passenger, 1913 model, good as new, for \$400. 223A Pemberton Building.

FOR RENT—Oak Bay, Hampshire road, house, 6 rooms, newly decorated, \$15 a month. 223A Pemberton Building.

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CHARGE AGAINST BAILIFF

Alleged That He Charged More for Levying Distress Than Statute Allows; Offense is Denied.

A peculiar case came before Magistrate Jay in the police court this morning when Hinkson Siddall was charged, after having been authorized to act as bailiff for William J. Hanna, as landlord, to execute a distress for rent upon premises situate at Avalon road, he did unlawfully charge for levying the distress fees other than those specified and authorized in Schedule A. of the Distress Act. Mr. Siddall entered a plea of not guilty and was defended by T. Miller. After a lengthy hearing Magistrate Jay reserved his decision until Thursday morning.

At the outset, Mr. Miller objected that by amendment to the Distress Act passed in 1913, power was given to the Registrar of the County Court to settle the amount of the fees and that this amendment took away the power of the magistrate to deal with the case. On the other hand the City Prosecutor argued that the amendment is merely an auxiliary provision, and can in no way be construed as conflicting with Schedule A. He held that the magistrate was entitled to deal with the case and decide whether or no the charges made in the case were exorbitant. His opinion was upheld and the case proceeded.

W. J. Hanna, 28 Douglas street, said that he had a tenant in Avalon road who had been five months behind with the rent. He therefore instructed the defendant to go over and get the money. If it was not forthcoming, instructions were given to distrain. This was early in October. Some time afterwards he received a statement and a marked cheque from the defendant, which showed that the latter had settled with the tenants for \$145, and had getting \$65 for the work involved in getting the money. A cheque for the balance of \$76 was enclosed.

Mr. Siddall, in his evidence, said that Mr. Hanna had given him full power to act as he wished in the collection of the money. It had taken him several weeks to collect the money, and he denied strongly any suggestion that he had been able to collect from the tenants at his first visit.

MINISTER THANKS BOARD.

Local Body Sent in Very Complete and Valuable Lumber Memorial to Sir George E. Foster.

An acknowledgment has been received by the board of trade from Sir George E. Foster, minister of trade and commerce of the memorial sent by the local body in response to a request for essential treatment on lumber shipments to Australia. It will be remembered that an influential lumber committee met for several weeks in this city in this connection, and after long deliberation drafted a very valuable memorial to headquarters.

In his acknowledgment the minister says: "I thank you for the complete information contained therein, which sets forth in a business-like way the difficulties under which the lumber trade in British Columbia at present labors. The matter will receive my careful and continued consideration. I have already received Mr. Pearce's letter, of which you speak, and will probably have cognizance.

Doctor's Evidence Taken—Charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on Frank Chamo, Patrick McGraw was remanded for another day in the police court this morning when it was explained that the chief witness was too sick to appear. Only the evidence of Dr. Grant, who examined the injured man, was taken. He stated that he examined Chamo yesterday at the police station and found a deep wound on the left hand. Blood was flowing very freely, and he put in three stitches. In reply to a question by the accused, Dr. Grant gave his opinion that it would not have been caused by a piece of broken glass, but by some sharp instrument.

THOUGHTFUL SERVICE

Rev. Dr. MacKay, of Vancouver, Speaks Again at First Presbyterian Church.

The evangelistic services being conducted during the present week at the First Presbyterian church by Rev. Dr. MacKay, of Vancouver, are being wonderfully blessed. Yesterday Dr. MacKay spoke from the text, "You who believe on God in Him."

In this, the speaker pointed out, Peter defined the Christian. The significance of the words was four-fold. First, it showed a presence at work everywhere and at all times, having to do with the smallest details of man's existence. "The very hairs of your head are all numbered" was exemplified once again.

Second, it revealed a God who dealt with sin by identifying Himself with the sinner up to the death, breaking its hold upon him by the power of the ethical depulsion of His love.

Again, it showed God as an ever-present Almighty Friend. This was how the disciples first discovered the meaning of Jesus. They were His friends, and in that friendship they found what Peter confessed: "Thou art the Christ, the Lord to whom we can go but unto Thee, Thou hast the words of eternal life." Finally, it gave the clue to the mysteries of life. Pain and defeat and change and death had always puzzled man. God as He was seen through Christ had in His own experience made all these a part of His life, thus showing that they formed a part of the richest experience that could be known. All things worked together for good to them who believe in God through Christ. This was the faith to which man was called. This was the type of life which triumphed ever.

ROYAL VICTORIA PICTURES

New Policy of Theatre Will Be Inaugurated This Evening, When Splendid Run of Films Will Be Seen.

The new policy of the Royal Victoria theatre to keep the house open with motion picture and photo-play performances when there are no road shows booked commences this evening. To mark the occasion there is to be an invitation performance at half-past seven o'clock, when a large number of friends of the house, of the public-spirited men who are behind it and of the management, have been asked to be present to view the first run of the pictures to be shown as the initial attraction under the new plan.

It is necessary to the success of the theatre from the financial point of view that it be kept running more frequently than has been possible, and it is confidently believed by the management that the patrons of the house will rally to its support in such numbers as to justify the directors and manager in the step they have taken.

The bills will be chosen from the best of the photo-plays available, and the interest in the war will be met by excellent views of the troops in and out of action, with special reference to the British and Canadian soldiers engaged. All tastes will be met so far as can be, and there is no doubt that the venture will have the patronage that it deserves.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Nutt and family wish to thank their many friends for their love and sympathy and for all the beautiful flowers sent in their recent bereavement.

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NOT TO PERMANENTLY OCCUPY SOUTH AFRICA

German Wireless Report Becoming More Remarkable for Invention Than Ever

Berlin, Dec. 8. (By wireless to London).—Dr. Sell, the secretary of the colonies, states that the German government does not intend to permanently occupy the South African Union. Germany desires, he says, that the hostilities which were forced upon her by the South African Union shall cease.

Dr. Sell further declares that if the union government abstains from further hostilities against German territory and if the territory which has been invaded is evacuated so that the South Africans may establish a neutral state, Germany would officially recognize this condition, and would respect the territorial integrity and political importance of the neutral state.

An official of the general staff states that the report from Rome that the French near Ypres, Belgium, had captured a whole corps of German aviators is absolutely unfounded. Denial is also made of the London report that aviators belonging to the allies had shown bombs on the Krupp factory at Essen.

The Russian statement contained in the official communication of November 29 that the German attack near Czenstochowa had failed with heavy losses is declared to be untrue. On the contrary, it is said the seventeenth Russian army corps, which was met in this attack was defeated November 29 and suffered extremely heavy losses. The Russians, it is declared, left a large number of killed and wounded on the battlefield and were forced to retreat.

The situation in the western battlefield shows little change, it is stated. The allies are said to have made a few attacks, but these have been repulsed.

News of decisive results in the east is expected here. The latest reports from headquarters assert that everything is proceeding according to programme, and this is taken here to mean that the operations thus far have been successful.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—(By Wireless to London).—The official statement issued by the German headquarters to-day says: "On the coast of Flanders the bad condition of the roads, made worse by the recent torrential rains, is causing great difficulty to the movement of our troops.

"To the north of Arras we have made some slight progress. "The war hospital at Lisle was burned yesterday. This is probably a case of arson. There were, however, no lives lost.

"The statement made by the French regarding an advance in the forest of Argonne is not in accord with the facts. For a long time past no French attacks whatever have taken place there. On the contrary we are continually gaining ground slowly.

"The day before yesterday a French position at Malincourt, east of Valenciennes, was captured. The remainder, two officers and about 150 men, were taken as prisoners.

"A French attack on our positions to the north of Nancy was repulsed yesterday.

"No special reports are at hand from the East Prussian frontier.

"In Northern Poland, the German troops are closely pursuing the retreat of the enemy to the east and to the south of Lodz. Besides the extraordinarily large and sanguinary losses reported yesterday, the Russians have lost about 3,500 prisoners and 16 cannon with ammunition carts.

"In Southern Poland nothing special has happened."

For the Busy Men—Quick Service luncheons, 25c, at the Elmsford Luncheonette.

Financial News

WHEAT AND OATS DOWN FLAX ONE CENT HIGHER

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—The wheat market to-day was the quietest it has been for a long time. Liverpool cables were lower, which caused an easier opening on all months, and with wire troubles owing to snowstorms in the east and south, news was scarce, which added to the general stagnation. Wheat opened 1c. to 1c. lower, oats 1c. to 1c. lower, and flax 1c. higher to 1c. lower. The inquiry for export is active enough, the government being on the market for 1,000,000 bushels, but few sales were reported. Another difficulty which confronts the export trade is securing ocean charters at reasonable rates. Wheat options closed 1c. to 1c. lower, oats 1c. lower, and flax 1c. to 1c. higher.

	Open	Close
Dec.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Jan.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Feb.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Mar.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Apr.	112 1/2	112 1/2
May	112 1/2	112 1/2
June	112 1/2	112 1/2
July	112 1/2	112 1/2
Aug.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Sept.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Oct.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Nov.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Dec.	112 1/2	112 1/2

SLIM SYMPATHY SHOWN BULLISH INFLUENCES

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Chicago, Dec. 8.—This trade did not respond as well as usual to bullish news to-day. In addition, there was help for the bulls from the improved weather map and the lower Liverpool cable, with every indication of less urgent foreign demand.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Jan.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Feb.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Mar.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Apr.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
May	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
June	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
July	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Aug.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Sept.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Oct.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Nov.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Dec.	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2

METAL MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 8.—Copper firm; electrical—112.50; casting—112.50.

STRONG UNDIMINISHED CORONATION INTEREST

Portland Canal Ready to Absorb Offerings Which Are Not Forthcoming

Coronation Gold showed undiminished strength for the session, finishing unchanged from Monday. Lucky Jim Zing went off in the bid, but the softer tendency was not bearishly construed, being considered an outcome of negligent buying interest for the present.

Portland Canal remained neglected and yet support persists from day to day, giving the issue an attribute of firmness, sufficient to absorb offerings where such should be made.

The tendency of prices was to resist any selling capacity, which last gets daily slighter. With the reopening of the New York stock exchange Saturday and London probably to follow that example soon, confidence is growing gradually and inquiry is becoming more general.

Stock	Mid. Askd.
Blackbird Syndicate	27.50
B. C. Refining Co.	30
B. C. Copper Co.	50
C. N. P. Fisheries	40
Coronation Gold	46
Lucky Jim Zing	102 1/2
McGillivray Coal	27
Nugget Gold	17
Portland Canal	61 1/2
Rambler Cariboo	25
R. C. Cliff	29
Standard Lead	1.00
Snowstorm	11
Stewart M. & D.	21
Slocan Star	35
S. S. Island Creamery	5.00
Stewart Land	7.50

WOOL PRICE ADVANCES.

McGowan, Dec. 8.—At the wool sales held to-day the best grades advanced from 5 to 7 1/2 per cent.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 8.—American and Japanese competition against Yorkshire imparted a more cheerful tone to the wool sales to-day, and prices rose in the sellers' favor.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Open High Low Close

	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Feb.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
March	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
April	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
May	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
June	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
July	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Aug.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Sept.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Oct.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Nov.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2
Dec.	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.22 1/2

PARLIAMENT MAY NOT MEET UNTIL FEBRUARY

Liberals Want Assurance of Another Session Before General Election

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The Ottawa correspondent of the Montreal Star to-day wired that paper as follows: "The intimation that the session of parliament will not be called till the end of January is not to be interpreted as evidence that meanwhile an election will be held. When it will occur is problematical—in the ordinary course of events it would be in 1915, but the fact that the war is on and likely to continue for some time is bound to vitally influence any decision in this matter.

"If parliament is late in meeting it is because the programme proposed will be light. Nevertheless, as it will mainly have reference to war taxes or increase in the revenue necessitated by war conditions, it will be of great importance and the public interest to be affected all call for serious consideration of the proposed tariff changes.

"To the Liberals is ascribed the intention of asking the government in the coming session an assurance that there will be another session before a general election. If this is conceded they say this winter's session will be brief, otherwise it may be long.

"In official circles to-night it is stated that parliament may not meet until February."

COTTON TO DECEMBER BEATS ALL STATISTICS

Thirteen Million Bales Passed Through Ginners' Hands Up to First of Month. Washington, Dec. 8.—More cotton than was ever ginned in any season prior to Dec. 1, is the record for this year as indicated by the census bureau statistics issued to-day showing 13,666,195 bales and passed through ginner's hands. That was 245,298 bales more than ginned to Dec. 1 in the record year, 1911.

PEACE NOT IN SIGHT BARON KATO'S VIEW

Japanese Foreign Minister Says Relations With Allies Closer Than Ever

Tokio, Dec. 8.—Baron Kato, the foreign minister, addressed the diet to-day regarding the progress of the war and the problems growing out of it as the result of Japan's participation. He said that he regretted to announce that the war in Europe was still far from a termination and that as yet there were no prospects of peace.

Speaking of the relations of the Japanese empire and allies, Baron Kato said that a most frank exchange of views had taken place and that the relations had been cemented closer than ever.

"The relations with the neutral powers are also excellent," the foreign minister said.

Speaking of the taking of Kiau Chau, by the Japanese, Baron Kato declared that various questions in connection therewith had arisen with China, but thanks to a conciliatory spirit the negotiations had resulted as a whole satisfactorily. The Japanese, he said, had undertaken the administration of the railroads of Kiau Chau and Tsing Man, and he also told of the military occupation of the principal islands of the Marshall, Mariana and Pelew groups, where special guards have been established.

Baron Kato thanked the United States for its kind offers in securing the release of Japanese in Germany. He said he believed others were still detained and he would rely on further assistance in their behalf.

On conditions in China, the foreign minister said: "The maintenance of peace and order in China is not only of

GERMANS' REPORT IS MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

London, Dec. 8.—A Central News dispatch from Amsterdam says that according to a message from Berlin it is reported there that upwards of 3000 prisoners were taken by the Germans when they captured Lodz, Russian Poland.

News of the capture of Lodz, this message says, aroused extraordinary enthusiasm at Berlin. The houses there are decked with German and Austrian flags. The official report has yet been approved concerning the number of prisoners and guns.

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PROPOSE CENTRAL RELIEF ORGANIZATION

Associated Charities Movement May Be Formed at Meeting To-morrow

Provision for those of the unemployed who are destitute will soon be made by the city council. This was decided last evening. First, however, a central body for registration will be formed, and placed in charge of the I. O. D. E. This course was adopted after the aldermen had heard the resolutions passed at the unemployment meeting last Friday, the resolutions asking the council to assume responsibility for the payment of the rent of an office for registration and for the provision of temporary homes for the homeless during the winter. A deputation from the I. O. D. E. had waited on the mayor during the day on the same subject.

His worship fully explained what was proposed in the report of the finance committee, which recommended the establishment of a central committee for the registration of destitute persons in the city. For the time being the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire would be requested to act in that capacity. He pointed out that that organization had all the necessary information available.

Alderman Fullerton hoped that if the I. O. D. E. proposal was accepted there should be a check on the suggestion that there be a mayor's fund.

Alderman McNeill advocated the transfer of the work to the I. O. D. E., because that organization had the means, the staff and the experience.

Alderman Dilworth thought the unemployment committee should have been consulted first, as this proposal practically ignored the existence of the committee appointed on Friday.

Alderman Bell believed that other philanthropic bodies conducting relief work should be consulted before action was taken on the resolution.

Alderman Sargent desired to have all

organizations consulted. After they had threshed out the scheme they could come to the aldermen with a definite proposal.

Alderman McCandless favored handing over the matter to the I. O. D. E., as the best organized body in the city. Alderman Porter considered that it was imperative that there be a central body, to avoid waste and duplication.

Alderman Fullerton wanted the Friendly Societies' council to be represented on the central body.

The mayor indicated that a meeting would be called on Wednesday morning, when all charitable organizations would be invited to send representatives. Until that meeting had been held it was felt that the resolutions of the unemployment committee should be laid over.

WELCOME SUGGESTION FOR CIVIC ECONOMY

Aldermen Will Meet Deputation of Civic Retrenchment Association

The petition of the Civic Retrenchment Association asking for the city to recommend its successors to cut down the appropriations next year by twenty-five per cent, came before the aldermen in council last evening. There were about 1,400 signatures to the document.

On the motion of Alderman McNeill, the petition was laid on the table till the estimates are introduced. The council decided to invite a deputation to meet the aldermen at 2:30 p. m. on Friday, December 18.

Alderman McNeill expressed his approval of the character of the petition and pointed out that for some months the council had moved in the direction of retrenchment, both in pruning present expenditures. The association had not indicated the line of retrenchment favored, but doubtless it would present its views to the estimates committee in due course.

The mayor pointed out that the council was following practical economy now.

Alderman Porter endorsed what had been suggested by the chairman of the finance committee, Ald. McNeill, as to an interview with the officers of the association. It was a new thing for people to express a wish to endorse economy, as the average experience of an alderman was in receiving deputations asking for more or less expenditures.

Two departmental estimates were forwarded to the city council last evening, one from the library commissioners and one from the city electrician.

The chairman of the commissioners, Alderman McCandless introduced the library estimates, which are framed on a basis of \$15,000, being a twenty-five per cent cut on the present rate. They pointed out (Ald. McCandless and W. Marchant, secretary) that most rigid economy had been followed in operating the library during the past five months.

The city electrician submitted his estimate at \$45,000, being a cut of twenty per cent in the figures of 1914. This estimate was sent to the electric light committee.

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THREE PARTIES WILL PROCEED WITH BRIDGE

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the council determined not to delay further, realizing that behind the bridge question was the development of 118 acres of the best land in Victoria. The improvement of the reserve depended on the bridge construction, as did also the early construction of the marine depot, the grades for which could not be fixed till the bridge design was settled.

The bridge now proposed would provide a track for the E. & N. company and a wide roadway for vehicular traffic. There would also be space for two lines of passenger traffic if at any time the B. C. Electric company decided to run its lines across the structure, a legal right the company possessed.

Alderman Bell and Sargent differed as to whether the government would proceed with the Johnson street extension and other works, the former contending that Premier McBride had promised an immediate start on the undertaking, while Alderman Sargent doubted if Sir Richard had given a positive pledge.

The mayor declared that the government had promised a start as soon as the agreements had been signed. The report was adopted.

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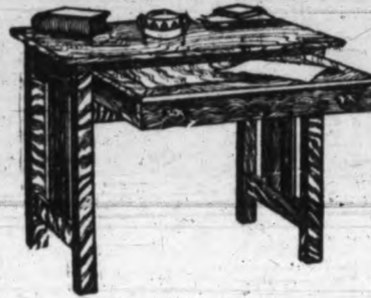
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