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CASE FOR MANUFACTURERS IS PUT BEFORE THE RAILWAY COMMISSION

**Board is Asked to Make Such Rates as Will Promote the
Welfare of the Western Producer and Carry It Only So
Far as is Consistent With Allowing Reasonable Re-
turn on Invested Capital**

PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO PAY PROFITS ON THEIR GIFTS TO RAILWAYS

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12.—When the western rates inquiry was resumed before the Railway Board this morning James Walsh, transportation officer of the Canadian Manufacturers, read a short statement covering the attitude of that body in regard to the proposal to reduce the western rates. Mr. Walsh declared that while rates should be as slightly as possible on the producer, manufacturers were of the opinion that the railways must receive a reasonable return on the capital actually invested. Mr. Walsh's statement was as follows: "In view of the fact that the evidence in this case is of the most comprehensive character and covers the interests of all parties represented, it is necessary for the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to state its views as follows:

(1) We believe that all freight rates should bear as lightly as possible on the producer, and this especially because of the fact that all the country west of the Great Lakes is so situated topographically that of necessity there is a very long haul to the seaboard, and onward to the markets of the world. To give our farmers and other producers all they are fairly entitled to means that their products must be carried at as low a charge as is consistent with the cost of service.

(2) In order that manufacturers may be encouraged to locate in increasing numbers throughout the west, which is so obviously to the advantage of the producer of farm and other products and which contributes so materially to the building up of centres of population, we believe that raw material should likewise be carried at as low a charge as is consistent with the cost of the service. This, it will be readily seen is in the interest of the railways and of the country generally.

(3) The railways must receive a reasonable return on the capital which

they have actually invested. To compel them to carry the traffic at unremunerative rates would not only be unjust, but would immediately place an effectual check upon the extension of rail transportation which the people at large are so anxious to encourage. In a word, therefore, we would be glad if your board, having due regard to all the circumstances, and considering carefully the interests of all concerned, would readjust rates in a way that would conserve and promote the welfare of the western producer, and carry that readjustment just as far as it would seem practicable to carry it consistent with the axiom that bona fide capital investment must always be afforded a reasonable return.

James Bicknell, K.C., chief counsel for the Dominion government, then spoke in reply to the argument of counsel representing the railways who have been heard during the past few days. Mr. Bicknell declared that the density of traffic must be an important factor in governing rates, more particularly in Canada where railways are encouraged by government aid to go into districts where it would be impossible for them to make a reasonable return on their investment.

When these conditions change, and owing to the increase in density of traffic the railways become productive, there should, as a matter of justice, be a reduction in the rates, he said.

Mr. Bicknell asked the board in finding a new scale of rates to adopt the principle that the railways are entitled to a reasonable return on the money actually invested. The assistance given by the country should not be taken into account. This assistance was intended to be for the benefit of the people. It was given in order to enable the railways to start in business. The people should not now be expected to pay a profit on these gifts to the railways.

Trouble Reported in Stefansson Expedition

VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON



Head of Canadian Arctic expedition, who was left on shore with small hunting party when the schooner Karluk was officially said to have been blown from shore.

REASON FOR KARLUK'S ABSENCE SUGGESTED

Disposition to Challenge Authority of Leader Soon After Leaving Victoria

WIND THAT BLEW SHIP OUT NOT UNWELCOME

Police Rumors Are That Party Reached Decision to Leave Leader on Shore

COMPLAINTS ALLEGED REGARDING SUPPLIES

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Reports received here from the Northwest Mounted Police in the Far North tell of a rumor that Explorer Stefansson was purposely deserted on the shores of the Arctic by the Karluk. In Stefansson's account, sent to Ottawa, and some American newspapers, it was stated that the Karluk was blown from shore while Stefansson and a party were hunting. The police rumors from the north hint that there was trouble on board the Karluk over the food and other details of ship life, which culminated in a decision to desert Stefansson and permit him to shift for himself. It is feared here that Stefansson may not see his expedition again for a very long time. It is believed that the men on the ship may not take the trouble to look up their nominal leader until they have pretty well completed the work which this government expedition set out to accomplish.

There was trouble in the party before it got out of touch of civilization. It developed early that the views of Stefansson did not coincide with the views of some of the men whom he was obliged to take with him. After leaving Victoria and before Alaska was reached there developed a disposition to challenge the authority of Stefansson in all matters.

Yesterday references were made to alleged complaints regarding supplies. The dispatches from Stefansson show that one of the first things he did after turning the corner of Alaska was to set out with a few men after blubber. Within two days his vessel was gone and he was left facing the wilderness with his few companions. There is no suggestion that Stefansson was deliberately abandoned, but there is a belief here that the party on the vessel was not sorry that it happened and did not regret losing the discoverer of the blonde Eskimos.

ELLA FLAG-YOUNG IS FORCED TO RETIRE

Lieutenant-Governor of Illinois Suggests Strike of School Children in Protest.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—No single incident of the politics of recent years in this city has caused such excitement as the forced retirement of Ella Flag Young, as superintendent of schools, according to political leaders, and the subject is said to be bound to assume importance in the aldermanic elections next spring.

BRITISH UNIONIST IS ON VISIT TO CARRANZA

Major Martin Archer-Shee Arrives at Hermosillo and Interviews Rebel General.

Hermosillo, Mex., Dec. 12.—Major Martin Archer-Shee, Unionist member of the British parliament, was here today to confer with General Carranza regarding matters which he termed personal. He arrived after a hurried trip, part of which was by automobile from Tucson, Ariz., and at once was given an interview with the constitutionalist commander-in-chief.

ROOT FOR PRESIDENT SAYS ANDREW CARNEGIE

Steel King Thinks Recipient of Nobel Prize One of America's Wisest Men.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—Andrew Carnegie visited the White House today to inquire after President Wilson's health. As he left the White House, Mr. Carnegie said he thought business conditions were going to be better than ever after the new legislation, which congress has in hand, is passed. He expressed his gratification at the award of the Nobel Prize to Senator Root. "I think Senator Root is one of the wisest men in America," he said. "President Roosevelt said so. Lord Morley told me he thought so, and I believe the best thing the Republican convention could do would be to nominate him for president."

CAPTAIN BARTLETT



Master of the schooner Karluk of the Stefansson Arctic Expedition.

YOUNG GIRL VICTIM OF EXPRESSED BOMB

Two Employees Injured; Force of Explosion Wrecks New York Office

New York, Dec. 12.—Anna Anusowitz, eighteen years old, employed as a confidential bookkeeper of the O. K. Bottling Company, at 523 West Thirty-Fifth street, was killed to-day by a bomb sent to her employees. Thomas McCabe, managing salesman, was cut about the head by flying metal, and Michael Ryan, an employee, was injured by shattered glass. The force of the explosion wrecked the room, shattering plate glass windows and tearing a jagged hole in the floor. The desk on which the bomb was placed as Miss Anusowitz opened it was demolished. The bomb was delivered by express. Apparently it contained dynamite, as the force of the explosion was downward.

Who sent the bomb and why were questions that set half a hundred or more detectives at work on every possible clue. On the wrapper they found in writing the return address, 23 State street, New York City. The building at this address is a large office building, occupied chiefly by exporting firms who employ a number of foreigners.

The bureau of combustibles, working on the mystery with the few pieces of material found on the floor and walls, announced that the missile was of similar construction to the bomb sent to Judge Rosalanski about two years ago. Employees of the company connected with the explosion with the alleged dismissal recently of thirty workmen.

PAUL SPINTLUM IS HANGED AT KAMLOOPS

Indian on Scaffold Dies Smiling and Declaring His Innocence of Murder.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Paul Spintlum, the Indian murderer of Provincial Constable Kindness, was executed this morning at Kamloops. He mounted the scaffold with a smile on his lips and like a stoic he met death. To the hangman his last words were: "I die for the crime of another man." Death was instantaneous. Spintlum was the companion of another Indian named Moses Paul in the shooting of Kindness. The latter had gone out from Clinton, B. C., to arrest the two Indians when they ambushed him from behind a log. Spintlum was a big man amongst the Indians and in an effort to save his life the natives have made declarations that Spintlum was several miles away at the time of the shooting.

RIFLES REACH BELFAST.

Belfast, Dec. 12.—Customs officers to-day seized a consignment of 200 rifles which arrived on board a freight steamer from Germany. This was the largest seizure since the issuance of the proclamation against the importation of arms and ammunition into Ireland.

WOMEN TAKE PART IN WINNIPEG ELECTIONS

Polling in Manitoba City To-day; Mayor Deacon Gets Second Term

SIX CANDIDATES FOR FOUR CONTROLLERSHIPS

Civic League Wins Recognition and Representation at Ward Meetings

ON SURFACE SHOWING CAMPAIGN IS QUIET

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—Polling is going on to-day in this city for municipal offices. Outside of Winnipeg the cities, towns and villages of Manitoba do not vote until Tuesday next. Mayor T. R. Deacon was returned for a second term by acclamation, a tribute to the good work he has done as an administrator on a platform of efficiency with economy. He is responsible for the Shoal Lake water supply undertaking, for which a special water district commission has been erected, and during the coming year considerable advance will be made in construction.

On the surface this has been a very quiet campaign. There is no outstanding feature, unless the hospital by-law be regarded as such. This by-law is to provide a further sum of \$275,000 to place the general hospital out of debt. Opponents of the by-law have based their objection on the plea that this hospital is really not controlled by the city, although the city puts up the bulk of the capital expenditure, contributes considerably more to the running expenses than do the voluntary subscribers, and in fact guarantees the concern, although only receiving a fractional representation on the board. These critics say that the city should take the hospital over entirely, and run it as a strictly municipal enterprise, along the line of modern municipal thought and practice. Defenders of the by-law claim that the general hospital is being operated efficiently, is filling its purpose, and that this additional grant will set it on its feet and make the institution self-supporting. It has been the fate of these hospital money by-laws recently to be beaten at the first time of asking, and should this happen to-day a strong movement in favor of municipal control is likely to arise.

Quiet though the campaign has been on the surface, it has seen a very striking development, significant altogether beyond its immediate effect. This is the earnest intrusion of the Women's Civic League, a body that has won so much recognition that last Tuesday it was specially addressed at a mass meeting by the mayor and the sitting controllers. This league has been represented at every ward meeting throughout the campaign by trained speakers who registered the views of the candidates along those lines of social uplift and betterment in which the league is particularly interested. Already the league has succeeded in getting the city to appoint social service nurses, and hopes to get women equally represented on the Charities Endorsement Board. The programme is moderate and practical, but a good deal more important than the programme itself is the work being done to interest women all through the city in municipal problems. This has found reflection in greatly increased attendance at ward meetings. The league thought of running a candidate for the school board, but decided that the candidates in the field are quite satisfactory.

Six candidates are being voted on for the four controllerships, and these include the four sitting controllers, J. W. Cockburn, W. G. Douglas, Dan McLean and Chas. Midwinter. A. W. Puttee, ex-M. P., the labor leader, is the fifth candidate, and J. F. O. McArthur, son of the late controller, completes the list. For aldermen there are contests in wards one (A. L. Bond and M. A. Davies), three (Ald. Wallace and Arnd Anderson), five (J. B. Attridge and R. A. Riggs), and seven (Ald. McGrath, J. Worwick and E. McGrath). Ald. Fowler, Davidson and Shore were returned by acclamation. Wards five and seven provide contests for school trustees, with Moses Abrahamson and R. S. McKinnon candidates in the former, and T. Glen Hamilton and S. J. Corbett in the latter.

Most of the candidates for office have committed themselves to look into the alleged milk combine and other causes of the high cost of living. A referendum is being submitted making the term for controllers two years instead of one year, as at present, and is widely supported as likely to result in more stable administration. The salary of the four controllers is \$4,000 each, while aldermen get an honorarium of \$500.

VINCI'S MONA LISA IS FOUND IN FLORENCE

Famous Painting Stolen From Louvre in August, 1911, Recovered To-day

Florence, Italy, Dec. 12.—Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece, "Mona Lisa," the mysterious disappearance of which from the Louvre in August, 1911, threw the art world into consternation, was found to-day in Florence. The man who stole it was arrested. He is an Italian.

The famous "Na Gioconda" was found to-day when the picture was offered by an Italian resident of Paris to an antiquary of Florence, according to an announcement made this evening by the French minister of public instruction. "I stole the picture," said the man now in custody, "in order to avenge the thefts which Napoleon committed in Italy."

"Mona Lisa" is one of the world's most famous paintings, and is regarded as priceless. Leonardo Da Vinci took as his model for the picture Lisa Del Giocondo, a woman of Florence. He worked on the picture for four years, from 1503 to 1507. It was bought for France by Francis I.

Since the disappearance from the Louvre of the picture, the search has been world-wide. It has been reported found in Germany, Russia, England, Spain and even in the United States. The famous picture had hung in the place of honor in the Louvre in a room which was supposed to be always watched. It disappeared on the morning of August 22, 1911, and its absence from its accustomed place was not noticed by its guardians until some hours later. At first quiet search was made in every nook and corner of the museum and discreet questions were asked of the hundreds of copyists and photographers who daily crowded the museum. The questioning was all without result.

When the police authorities had been informed they immediately ordered the museum closed. A thorough search by detectives followed.

CAMPAIGN TO RECRUIT FORTY THOUSAND MEN

Newspaper Advertising Adopted by British War Office to Fill Ranks.

London, Dec. 12.—A newspaper advertising campaign for recruits to the British army is to be undertaken in all parts of the country. The war office has become convinced of the value of the newspapers as a medium, and has placed a contract with the head of a regular advertising agency to conduct the campaign during the next year on a large scale. No less than forty thousand men are needed to fill vacancies in British regiments. The advertisement will point out that the young men who enlist will be fed, clothed, housed, get \$2.50 a week pocket money, and have free medical attention as well as receiving a pension at the age of 35 years if the recruit is not more than 18 at the time of his enlistment.

TRAIN MOVES WHILE CREW TAKES LUNCH

One Hundred Passengers on Unguided Train Come to Né Harm.

Tacoma, Dec. 12.—While the entire crew of an early morning train of the Great Northern, southbound, were in the lunch-room at the Central station to-day, the train with six coaches and 100 passengers moved off. A mile and a-half out of the station Express Messenger Atherton, noticing the train was still going at a very slow speed, and suspecting a holdup, crawled over the tender with his revolver in his hand. He was astonished to find the cab empty and taking the lever, ran the train to Chehalis, four miles away, where it waited for the crew. They declared they were the victims of a prank.

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD REMOVE TROOPS

Peking, Dec. 12.—The Russian government to-day proposed the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Peking and the entire province of Chi Li, China, including the legation guards, the regiments at Tien Tsin and the troops guarding the railway between the sea and Peking. Russia considers conditions in the north of China no longer dangerous to foreigners. Wassyly N. Kroupensky, the Russian minister to China, made the announcement and stated further that if the other foreign nations disagreed, Russia intended to set alone, withdrawing even her legation guards.

Federals Hold Tampico Ojinaga Attack Waited

British, American, and German Vessels Take on Refugees From City Under Attack—Constitutionalists Claim 6,000 Men, Rebels Have 3,000 in Garrison

Vera Cruz, Mex., Dec. 12.—The rebel forces attacking Tampico were repulsed and driven away from that city with heavy losses, according to General Gustavo Maas, military commander here, who says that federal troops under General Joaquin Maas arrived to the relief of Tampico yesterday. Up to 9 o'clock this morning no further communication had been received here from Rear-admiral Fletcher in command of the United States warships off Tampico.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—Wireless dispatches from Rear-admiral Fletcher at Tampico, on board the United States gunboat Tacoma, sent at 4 p. m. yesterday, say the federal gunboat Bravo was then shelling the constitutionalists' position, that there was no change in the relative position of the combatants and that the United States gunboat Wheeling was in the river close to the fighting. The federal garrison was estimated at 3,000, while the constitutionalists claimed 6,000.

Rear-admiral Fletcher also reported that 150 refugees were on the American gunboats, 150 on the British steamer Logician, 250 on the Kron Prinzessin Cecille, a German vessel, and 500 in the buildings along shore in the neutral zone.

Mexico City, Dec. 12.—The Mexican seaport of Tampico was still in the hands of the federal troops at a late hour last night. The manager of the federal telegraph office reported early to-day that the telegraph line from Tampico to San Luis Potosi had been re-opened, after having been interrupted since the beginning of the fighting. The federal war minister, General Aureliano Blanquet, appeared to regard Tampico as safe.

Sir Lionel Carden, the British minister, to-day informed the foreign office here that the British cruisers Lancaster and Hornet are on the way to relieve the cruisers Herwick and Suffolk, and are expected to arrive in Mexican waters at the beginning of next week. The federal war minister, General Aureliano Blanquet, appeared to regard Tampico as safe. Sir Lionel Carden, the British minister, to-day informed the foreign office here that the British cruisers Lancaster and Hornet are on the way to relieve the cruisers Herwick and Suffolk, and are expected to arrive in Mexican waters at the beginning of next week. The federal war minister, General Aureliano Blanquet, appeared to regard Tampico as safe.

Presidio, Tex., Dec. 12.—The situation at Ojinaga, Mex., on the border, where the federal troops have concentrated, to-day was one of patient wait-

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COLONISTS LOSE TEN MILLIONS IN MEXICO

Head of Mormon Church Says His People Will Settle North of Border

Los Angeles, Dec. 12.—Revolution in Mexico has cost colonists from the United States more than \$10,000,000. This statement was credited to-day to President Joseph Smith, of the Mormon church, who is here on his return from a visit to the missions in Arizona and Southern California. The church head also favored a plan for the called colonists to settle where they are instead of returning to Mexico when conditions permit.

"The flower of our colonists was in Mexico," President Smith said. "Our people had labored there for a quarter of a century and achieved material results. They were forced to give up whole towns and cities, homes and churches, all to the value of more than \$10,000,000. I am issuing a special message to the unhappy exiles from Mexico," he continued. "It is this. Look not with longing hearts upon Mexico, but build homes and new churches where you are."

WITHDRAW FAIR BILL

Berlin, Dec. 12.—It will be decided to-day to withdraw the bill for the appropriation of \$500,000 for German representation at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. This step was taken owing to the strong objections raised by several state ministers.

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CANADIAN NORTHERN ARGUMENT IS HEARD

Counsel Says Boards of Trade Are a Disease in Every Part of the Country

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—F. H. Phippen, K. C., chief counsel for the Canadian Northern Railway Co., in opening his argument before the railway commissioners yesterday in the western rate case hearing, said that the question before the board was not one of dollars and cents only, but one affecting what might be described as the policy of Canada. It will not be merely a matter of rates, but something which would affect the credit of the whole country. As a result, he said, of the subsidies, land grants and endowments given by the Dominion and the provincial governments, the financial interests of the provinces and the railways are closely interwoven. With the object of giving his contention, Mr. Phippen reviewed the history of railway construction in Canada with special reference to the assistance which has been given to the C. P. R. to show to what a great extent the people are interested in the railways of the Dominion.

The purpose of aid given to a railway is to enable them to give reasonable rates. Mr. Phippen then declared that a very serious responsibility rests with the railway board. A reduction of railway rates at the present time would seriously reflect upon the merit of Canada. The board must take into the consideration that this is the most momentous case that has ever been before it.

Mr. Phippen then quoted from arguments made by James Bicknell, Isaac Pitblado, to the effect that neither the Canadian Northern nor the G. T. P. is carrying a sum that can be considered excessive.

He also quoted the G. T. P. agreement to show that the interests of the country have become so interwoven with those of the railways that nothing can be done which affects these roads which will not at the same time seriously affect the Dominion. Arguing that there was no general demand for rate reduction in the west, Mr. Phippen declared that the boards of trade had become a disease in that part of the country. There was one in every hamlet; the board of trade, and a newspaper which was displeased because the railways would not establish a commodity rate on paper, were responsible for the agitation. When the board made its trip through the west with the purpose of hearing evidence, every witness who appeared was a representative of a board of trade.

PRESIDENT EXPLAINS C. P. R. FINANCE PLAN

Not Wise to Go to Market So Will Obtain Money From Shareholders

Montreal, Dec. 12.—When asked why it was necessary to raise so large a sum as that proposed at the recent directors' meeting of the C. P. R., Sir Thomas Shaughnessy said: "The company is not short of funds, by any means. Its bank account is of very comfortable proportions, but it has for many years been the company's policy to be strong in its cash resources, and, considering the magnitude of the enterprise, this is manifestly prudent."

"Works of improvement now in progress to provide for its traffic will require a considerable time to finish. The additional railway mileage under construction, and nearing completion, represents an expenditure of upwards of \$45,000,000. To meet this expenditure the directors have authority to issue and sell 4 per cent. consolidated debenture stock, but this is not the time to go to the market with a large issue of that security to prejudice the commanding position that it has always had in the London market, and will again have when normal conditions are restored. Any issue of debenture stock, excepting such small amounts as may be required to meet the demands of the market, must be postponed until some more opportune time. Neither would an increase of the company's capital stock be desirable just now."

"In view of these circumstances, the directors decided to ask the shareholders to loan the company the money likely to be required for its purpose during the next year or two on terms that would be advantageous to them, and the issue of \$52,000,000 of note certificates was determined upon, accordingly."

"When the proceeds of the land sales to an amount exceeding \$62,000,000 had been invested in property the land assets were permitted to accumulate, and these now constitute the special investment fund of \$55,000,000 that has been set aside and earmarked as applicable only to the principal and interest of the note certificates."

"Of course, it goes without saying that were the company to go into the market to borrow money on its own credit in the ordinary way, better rates could be arranged, but this was a special transaction between the company and its shareholders, and it was intended that the shareholders should have the distinct advantage to which they are entitled."

"These note certificates will constitute no permanent charge against the company's revenue; indeed they make no demand whatever on the income from the company's traffic. It is a debt that will obliterate itself in the course of a few years."

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PUPILS AT INSTITUTE DECLINE VACCINATION

School Suspended and One Hundred and Twenty Are Quarantined.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 12.—Work at the Hamilton Collegiate Institute has been seriously interrupted by the action of 120 pupils who have refused to submit to vaccination. A general order for vaccination, following the discovery of a case of smallpox in the school was obeyed by 200 pupils, but the remainder refused.

The school authorities immediately issued a decree forbidding the 120 to enter the school doors, and the health authorities supplemented this order with a declaration that they would enforce the law of quarantine in every case.

On Christmas Eve the 120 children will be released from the restrictions of quarantine. Meanwhile the school work will proceed in halting fashion and the customary Christmas examination will be dispensed with.

GUNMEN FIGHT BATTLE IN NEW YORK STREET

Fifty Shots Fired Between Two Gangs With Injury Being Received.

New York, Dec. 12.—Fifty shots were fired this morning near the Fourth avenue entrance of Madison Square Garden in a battle between two gangs that have infested the garden during the six-day bicycle race.

A Madison avenue street car was commandeered by one element as a barricade while bullets whistled in all directions. Passengers threw themselves face downward on the floor. The police were prompt in reaching the scene, but the combatants jumped into automobiles and escaped. So far as is known no one was hurt, a remarkable fact in view of the promiscuous shooting.

It is said that the battle started in a row over the right of rival leaders to furnish "strong-arm men" for special police work in the garden.

LOOPEL THE LOOP IN AIR WITH PASSENGER

Paris, Dec. 12.—Adolphe Pegoud, the French aviator, demonstrated at the Buc aerodrome yesterday that looping the loop in an aeroplane carrying a passenger as well as a pilot, was not more difficult than the accomplishment of the feat when the pilot was alone. The aviator mounted on three separate occasions with journalists and each time made a number of successive loops.

OPTIMISM IS VIEW OF SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE

St. John, N. B., Dec. 12.—Sir William Mackenzie returned to Canada yesterday on the Canadian Northern steamer Royal George.

Regarding the money market, Sir William Mackenzie was optimistic. Conditions indicate that the financial situation is steadily improving; that money is becoming easier and by spring it will be much more plentiful. At least that is the result of my observations and those of others interested in financial matters," said the C. N. R. president.

Sir William confirmed the report that his company is contemplating the construction of two new steamers for the Atlantic route.

LARGEST CHRISTMAS MAIL

New York, Dec. 12.—The largest Christmas mail ever carried on the Atlantic by a ship, \$261 sacks, is coming to this port by the American liner St. Louis, which sailed yesterday from Queenstown. The record mail coming west heretofore was landed here on December 21 last year by the American liner Philadelphia and consisted of 7,998 sacks.

Leaky Roofs Repaired with "Nag" Composition. See Newton & Greer, 1326 Wharf St.

MONTREAL MAN FINDS BOY MUMMY IN PERU

Body Five Hundred Years Old Enters Port of New York as an Antiquity.

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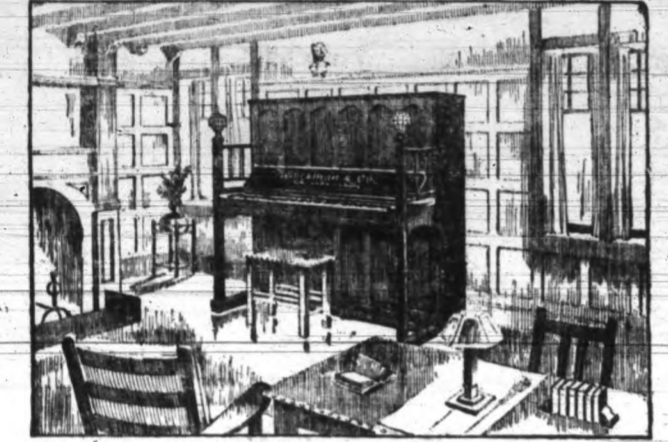
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FIRE DAMAGE AT COHOES.
Cohoes, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Fire which broke out in the heart of the city business section early to-day was subdued only after a dozen buildings and manufacturing plants had been destroyed with a loss of half a million dollars. One fireman was badly hurt by a falling wall.

WILSON STAYS IN BED.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—President Wilson's cold was improved to-day, but he was ordered by his physician to remain in bed.

TALBERT RESIGNS.
New York, Dec. 12.—Because of ill-health, B. G. Talbert, for ten years chairman of the New York stock exchange, tendered his resignation to-day. It will be considered by the governors on December 24. Mr. Talbert has been a member of the exchange since 1873.

Silent Salesman Show Cases.—Show Cases, \$12.00 per foot and upwards, Victoria Show Case Co., Factory 2207 Government street, corner Princess and Government Streets.

FEDERALS SAY THEY CAPTURED TORREON

Seizure of Louis Terrazas, Jr., Made in British Vice-Consulate by Rebels

Mexico City, Dec. 12.—Gen. Velasco, leading the federal forces, reported the capture of Torreón. The casualties are not stated.

The public generally accepted as true General Velasco's official report of the capture of Torreón. The afternoon newspapers issued extra editions, but the people displayed no great enthusiasm over the news. Communication with Torreón, both railway and telegraphic, is still interrupted, and no news concerning the capture of the town came through direct.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 12.—The agents of the Hamburg-American line have received a wireless from the Kron Prinzessin Cecilie to the effect that fighting in the neighborhood of Tampico had continued through yesterday.

There were no trains between Monterrey and Laredo, but it is reported that the line is open between Tampico and Mexico City.

Rear Admiral Fletcher reports that the fighting was still in progress at Tampico up to 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Juaros, Mex., Dec. 12.—Americans who arrived from Chihuahua last night reported that the rebels, since their occupation of that city, had entered the British vice-consulate and forcibly seized Louis Terrazas, Jr., a son of the wealthy land owner, and after carrying him through the streets placed him in jail.

According to the Americans, the rebels also served notice upon 100 Spanish residents of Chihuahua that they must leave the city within ten hours.

The entry of the British consulate and the seizure of Terrazas, who had gone there for protection after hearing that his life was in danger, were reported to have occurred during the absence of British Vice-Consul Scobell. It was said that Scobell, enraged at the action of General Francisco Villa's army, was denied facilities to protest to the British minister at Mexico City, and he then applied to United States Consul Marion Letcher. All the foreign ministers are said to have joined in a protest against what was regarded as the violation of the rights of asylum under a foreign flag.

The story told by the Americans was that Terrazas, who had been in charge of much of his father's vast estate, including great cattle ranges, had been left in Chihuahua after the evacuation by the rebels to look after women and children members of his family. That, taking flight, he went to the British vice-consul, and that during the absence of Vice-Consul Scobell, the rebels, who had been searching the town for Terrazas, rushed into the consulate, seized Terrazas, and then paraded the prisoner through the streets, afterwards locking him in a cell in a prison in the state building.

It was said that a demand for \$250,000, which he failed to pay, was the chief motive in the arrest of Terrazas.

Louis Terrazas, Sr., the aged father of the prisoner, recently arrived at Ojinaga with the federal troops. His great wealth was probably a special mark for discussion in the propaganda of the revolution, while thousands of his cattle in the state have served to feed both rebels and federals.

HOME RULE OVERTURES LAW STILL TALKS WAR

London, Dec. 12.—The Times yesterday announced that meetings of party leaders have begun with the object of endeavoring to arrange an agreement by consent on the Ulster difficulty, but that no definite result has yet been reached.

Carnarvon, Wales, Dec. 11.—Mr. Andrew Bonar Law, speaking here to-night, repeated his prediction that the imposition of Home Rule upon Ulster would result in civil war.

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POSTAL WORKERS ARE TO POSTPONE STRIKE

Acute Situation Will Not Be Disturbed Until After Christmas Season

London, Dec. 12.—There is to be no general strike of the 25,500 government employees in the post office, telegraph and telephone services during the Christmas holiday season, but the grievances of the workers have not been satisfactorily met, and the union leaders declared to-day that "the situation is becoming more acute."

The secretary of the national committee of the Postal Workers' Union announced last night that action on the strike proposals had been "deferred." He gave this information to the newspapers after a prolonged interview between a delegation of the workers and Right Hon. Herbert Samuel, the postmaster-general, who reiterated his refusal to grant their demands for increased pay.

C. H. Stewart, the men's secretary, declared the postmaster-general's reply was absolutely unacceptable, but said the whole question would have to be referred to the national joint committee of the unions.

Concessions made by the postmaster-general to the demands of the post office staff, it is officially stated, will cost the country over \$2,000,000. When Mr. Samuel yesterday refused to consider further demands, he told the union leaders that if the strike occurred at Christmas time the country would demand measures to render the recurrence of such a thing impossible. This was taken to mean that the strike would be refused further employment.

The leaders of the men were anxious to avoid a strike, but were pressed by some of the men, who declared that the concessions made were not adequate.

The demands of the post office staff were summarized by C. H. Stewart, the secretary, as follows:

1. A 15 per cent increase in wages to every member of the minor staff.
 2. Rejection of the objectionable clauses of the report of the Holt committee (the select committee which in August issued a report on postal grievances, and the proposed remedies.)
- "These two demands in fact," said Mr. Stewart, "practically ask for the rejection of the whole report, for they apply to the majority of its clauses."
- Mr. Samuel accepted the staff's point of view regarding relief for meals and hours of duty. This leaves things, as far as these items are concerned, as they are, but does not grant the improvements asked by the staff.
- He also agreed to give an immediate raise of pay to men and women whose wages in London are \$875 a week or less, or \$750 or less in the provinces.

"In practice this will mean that a certain number of men and women will get increases of pay ranging from 2 cents to 50 cents a week.

The concession is subject to so many restrictions that only about 25 per cent of the staff will be affected, and this proportion is almost wholly composed of postmen.

"At our interview last week, Mr. Samuel referred to the cost of some concessions, and his subsequent post office circular has shown that in one instance he overestimates the amount by \$25,000 a year. His estimate was \$500,000, and the immediate cost will be \$105,000. The item referred to meat reliefs and hours of duty.

"Apart from these facts, the staff much resents his referring to the concessions as 'costing money' when what he really should have said was that he will not save certain money he expected to save.

"The staff associations are holding meetings, and up to the present have unanimously condemned the proposed concession absolutely inadequate.

The main argument on which the staff rely is that the board of trade, to whom the post office appealed, showed there had been an increase in the cost of living of over 11 per cent since the last revision of wages in the instance of the post office, and even in the most favorable case, the Holt committee's recommendations, together with Mr. Samuel's concessions, do not give an immediate raise of over 3 1/2 to 4 per cent.

"The staff felt that the post office, having obtained the impartial figures it has asked for, and having used no undue influence with the select committee, the position is more acute than before the staff's interview with the postmaster-general."

DAMAGE FROM FIRE TO LULU ISLAND PROPERTY

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Starting from some unknown cause about 12 o'clock yesterday afternoon, fire did damage estimated at \$10,000 to the dry kiln and contents of the Lulu Island Shingle Company, Eburne, and almost destroyed, with a loss of \$1,500, the residence of M. E. Cooney, which is situated opposite the mill on the river road.

SOCIALISTS GET "PUCK."

New York, Dec. 12.—Puck, a comic weekly, has been taken over by "The Masses," a Socialist publication. Details of the transactions have not been disclosed. "The Masses" is published by a company headed by Eugene Wood as president and William Watson secretary. What the purchasers will do with Puck has not been announced.

SKATES IN POST OFFICE.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Roller skates were brought into use in the post office here yesterday to accelerate the movements of clerks in the checking room. Eight clerks donned the roller skates and more will be equipped if the innovation proves valuable. The skaters have a stretch of concrete in the basement a block long to cover.

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OUR SOLOMON'S WISDOM.

When Sir Richard opens his mouth what pearls of wisdom, economic and otherwise, drop from his inspired lips! In his address to Conservatives at Oak Bay last evening the great one spoke of the poverty of mind of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Well, it is true the gods have not endowed all sons of Canada so lavishly with gifts as they have our own particular native son. That could hardly be expected. Nature takes care never to surfeit the world with genius. According to Sir Richard, the leader of the Liberal party is sadly lacking in constructive ability, and he aggravates this deficiency by seeking to load upon the back of Premier Borden responsibility for the present stringency in the money market. We are quite sure Sir Wilfrid has done no such thing. What he has done is call attention to facts which are patent to all—that during the fifteen years he was at the head of the government the country enjoyed unexampled and unalloyed prosperity and that immediately after the advent of the present administration a reaction set in, a depression some call it, while our Premier prefers to regard it as "a stringency in the money market." And this is quite true. Sir Richard himself admits it. Our view is that during the term of his administration Sir Wilfrid Laurier gave pretty fair evidence of the possession of some constructive ability, and that view is amply sustained by the wonderful prosperity the country enjoyed for fifteen years. Of course Mr. Borden's constructive ability is of different texture altogether. He has done nothing yet except block the wheels of progress, enormously increase the country's expenditures in the face of declining revenues, break all the pledges he made when leader of the opposition, dismiss officials from their positions, and appoint Tory partisans in their places. This may be evidence of great constructive ability and statesmanship to a mind constituted after the manner of Sir Richard's, but we feel sure, almost, that something more is expected from a man occupying the position of premier and that something more must be given ere Canada again will enjoy prosperity.

CONSPIRACY OF SILENCE.

The remarkable feature of the Conservative meeting at Oak Bay yesterday evening was the silence of the two principal speakers in regard to the exemption of Chinese immigrants from the order-in-council recently adopted at Ottawa. Neither Sir Richard nor Mr. Barnard had a word to say on the subject. Both discussed many other matters, but religiously refrained from dealing with a question upon which in other days they were wont to expatiate at length in burning language. We all remember the prominence the two have given to the subject of Oriental immigration; we all recall the fervor with which both have proclaimed themselves total exclusionists. In fact so attached were they to this question and the interests of our workmen that Mr. Barnard's supporters did not fear to imperil their immortal souls by resorting to the criminal practice of forging a telegram purporting to come from the leader of their party. The Premier was an equally rabid exclusionist—on the stump. Only a few weeks ago he professed himself still true to his early love. Likewise the morning paper was willing to face martyrdom in the sublime cause of total Oriental exclusion. And yet not one of them will even mention the matter nowadays. None will attempt to explain why British subjects are excluded from this province while Chinese are admitted.

Why this conspiracy of silence? To what extent are they implicated in this extraordinary discrimination? The order-in-council was not passed with-

out an exchange of views between the federal and provincial governments. We have this on the authority of the Premier himself. Did he intimate to Mr. Borden that it would be inadvisable to exclude Chinese because certain large interests in this province with which he was associated, in a political sense did not wish it to be done? Mr. Barnard informed us in a communication to this paper that he had urged the federal government to re-enact the order-in-council relative to Hindu immigration in consequence of the judgment of Chief Justice Hunter. But did he urge also that more tender consideration be extended to the Chinese? Both these Asiatic exclusionists(?) are employers of Chinese labor, but they could not be affected personally in any way by the admission or prohibition of Chinese immigration. Why have they discarded the main plank of their platform with such marvellous celerity?

A dispatch from Ottawa says the revenue derived from the Chinese headtax for eight months amounted to \$2,235,000. By the end of the fiscal year the total probably will be \$3,000,000. Of that amount this province will get half, or \$1,500,000. The provincial exchequer is empty and the government has had to make an emergency issue of treasury notes against its revenue for the next six months. Is this the key to the riddle? Apparently the Premier needs the money, so his wife to Mr. Borden doubtless would be: "Keep out the British-born; keep out Americans; keep out Hindus; keep out Japanese, who only come at the rate of a few hundreds a year, but, for goodness sake, be easy on the Chinese. They enter by thousands and pay \$500 a head. We need that revenue, and some of our friends need cheap Oriental labor, especially in coal mines." Come now, gentlemen, own up. Is this not the case? But at any rate, tell us one thing. Why have you muzzled the Colonist?

"SOMETHING FOR NOTHING."

Reciprocity is dead. Sir Richard McBride confirmed the fact of its decease last evening, and he says it never can be resurrected because in the Underwood bill Canada has "received for nothing something Sir Wilfrid Laurier was willing to pay a great deal for." Sounds very convincing, but let us look into this thing and try to find out if it is true that Canadians under the Underwood Bill are receiving for nothing something Sir Wilfrid Laurier tried to make them pay a great deal for. According to the provisions of the reciprocity pact foodstuffs would have passed free across the borders of the two countries. This provision would not have been extended to the whole world. It would have been restricted to the two countries concerned in the agreement. It would have reserved for the producers of the United States and Canada the markets of the United States and Canada, giving them an advantage over all the rest of the world. The Underwood bill abolished or largely reduced the duties on food, giving to all the world an advantage that under reciprocity was reserved entirely for Canadians. But there has been no corresponding action by Canada. We still maintain the duties on foodstuffs, and it is not long since Sir Richard McBride said we must make them higher than ever. Now what actually has occurred as a consequence of the rejection of reciprocity and the passage of the Underwood bill? The Americans have attacked our sources of supply, and are carrying off the best of everything produced on our farms. They are obtaining our supplies duty free, and we have to make up the deficiency by importations upon which we have to pay heavy duties. The taxes we will pay on food for the existing fiscal year will amount to probably fifteen million dollars, of which British Columbians, thanks to the "agricultural policy" of the McBride government, will pay a larger proportion than the people of any other province. Instead of the Underwood tariff bill giving us something for nothing it is making us pay the price of our foolishness in listening to the counsel of leaders possessing not an ounce of sound economic sense. Not only are we giving the Americans of our best; we are actually subsidizing steamers to carry duty free food for their benefit. As a matter of fact, and of common knowledge now when it is too late for an immediate remedy, the rejection of reciprocity has affected the whole of Canada adversely in a business sense. And to cap the climax the trusts which placed Premier Borden in office are taking advantage of a situation that is exactly what they desire to add steadily to the prices of the necessities of life. There is not the head of a family in Canada to-day earning his livelihood by honest effort who does not realize that he is paying a high price for the rejection of reciprocity.

MEMBERS AS COMMISSIONERS.

Every person who takes an interest in provincial affairs will be impatient to learn how Messrs. Lucas and Hayward, both members of the legislature, are going to be paid for the time they have spent on the agricultural commission. They are legally debarred from receiving salaries or honorariums from

the provincial government during the time they are representatives of the people. Acceptance of a salaried office automatically deprives a member of his seat in the legislature.

Mr. Lucas visited Australia and passed months there in quest of information, while Mr. Hayward toured Europe in search of a solution of the great agricultural problem of British Columbia. They are entitled to and will receive their actual expenses and will no doubt present vouchers for same to the auditor-general, who has no power to authorize any additional payments. The question arises, how are the members of the legislature to be paid? It hardly is to be expected they worked for nothing.

Mr. Hayward passed a delightful holiday in Europe. His report will perhaps never be read by a farmer in the province, and will be of no value to those who do read it. Yet it would not be fair to Mr. Hayward, who is not a rich man, to pay his actual expenses and nothing more. Travelling fares and five dollars a day would cover everything in that line. It is proposed to increase the allowance therefore to ten dollars, or twenty dollars, or fifty dollars a day, and permit the commissioner to retain the difference between the sum allowed and his actual disbursements? He would be compensated in that way, but the minister who permitted that to be done and the auditor who winked at the fraud would be parties to a raffle upon the public treasury at once coarse and criminal. We will rejoice to be told on authority that only actual expenses will be paid and that there will be no backstairs evasion of the independence of parliament act. Messrs. Lucas and Hayward are legally entitled to transportation and living expenses and not to one dollar more. It will be interesting, therefore, to learn when the public accounts are published, how much per day was required to pay these legitimate expenses.

NO BUREAUCRACY.

We are disposed to agree with the views of members of the city council that some of the recommendations of the board of trade regarding the municipal bill would give too large a measure of government control over civic affairs. It would involve a step backward to centralization which future generations would bitterly resent. The extension of the powers of self-government to the municipalities has been a gradual process, just as this country in a larger sense has evolved from a condition of subordination to Downing Street. It is quite conceivable that an unscrupulous government enjoying a liberal measure of control of civic affairs would abuse it for purposes of political expediency, and our experience with the present administration has not been always of the happiest character.

Suppose a conflict arose between the government and city with regard to a matter such as the Johnson street bridge. The government by an abuse of its power could compel the municipality to adopt its view by refusing to issue a certificate for a loan. No doubt the chief reason assigned for recommending so many references to the government is that the municipal administrators should be protected from their own folly. It is not alone the city council which should be so zealously safeguarded. Often it is a pity there is no body vested with sufficient power to protect the government from its own folly. Bureaucratic control over the most important aspects of civic administration is the last thing to be thought of. With the present Attorney-General holding the strings and dominating the municipal situation the condition would be intolerable.

CANADA IN LONDON.

"The Telegraph sets out the year's issues thus: The Dominion, \$35,000,000; the provinces, \$14,000,000; municipalities, \$7,186,740; railways, \$133,851,280; miscellaneous, \$50,960,000; total, \$340,043,020, as compared with a total of \$294,915,000 in 1912."

We extracted the foregoing paragraph from the yesterday edition of the morning paper. It was on the front page, so most of its readers, if not all of them, must have seen it. It shows that Canada's borrowings in London for governments, municipalities and miscellaneous—a date this year have totalled \$210,041,020, against an aggregate of \$294,915,000 in 1912. And yet with this fact staring all and sundry in the faces Sir Richard McBride yesterday evening had the nerve to say that we were prejudiced in the British money market because the Senate amended the Borden navy aid bill in the spring of 1912? Every borrowing country in the world is finding it difficult to negotiate loans in the London market; in fact Canada has been more successful this year than any of them, or even more so than any other dominion. Is it because Brazil and Argentina do not contribute to the Admiralty that their loans are under subscribed?

By the way the Premier himself knocked at the doors of Lombard street, after making a number of imperillous speeches in which he blushed so much for the Senate that it cast a glow all over the place. Surely according to his logic we should expect the British money lenders, roused to sublime enthusiasm by his perverted

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rhetoric, literally to fall over one another in their eagerness to supply his financial needs! But, alas, he failed to extract a solitary cent, and had to issue treasury notes. We observe that he let this particular point severely alone at the meeting yesterday.

The people of Canada are taxed more highly than their kinsmen in the Old Country, and they are spending per head almost twice as much. More than that, Great Britain is the richest country in the world, to which Canada goes to obtain money to satisfy her needs. And yet we are told that it is because this young dominion, more highly taxed than any other country on the globe, does not give \$35,000,000 to the Admiralty that she finds it difficult to obtain loans in the London market. There are thousands of people in Canada to-day who are scarcely able to get enough to eat. If we must spend that \$35,000,000, how much better is it that it be spent in this country, where it is so urgently required.

Our Premier indignantly repudiates the idea that the Canadian Pacific coast should depend upon the United States for naval protection, and then advises Canada to adopt a policy of contributions to strengthen the sea forces at Gibraltar and in the Mediterranean. In this he is working at cross purposes with his friends in the east who tell us to send the money across the ocean and trust in the United States for the protection of this coast. By the way, does Sir Richard McBride really think a squadron based at Gibraltar protects British Columbia?

Sir Richard says reciprocity is dead in Canada. He ought to get up to date. Yesterday at Macdonald, Manitoba, the Hon. Robert Rogers said that the cabinet would consider the question of reciprocity in wheat with the United States and would endeavor to bring it about if it was advisable that such should be done. As a matter of fact the present ministry is busy now trying to find a way to reciprocity without opening itself to the charge of again swallowing itself. We shall have reciprocity in wheat and flour within a year.

It is stated that the revenue of the city of Toronto for the year 1913 from its proportion of receipts of the Toronto Street Railway, from the city waterworks and from other sources, apart altogether from the usual source of taxation, is estimated at \$3,420,000 or more than sufficient to pay the interest on the entire debt of the city.

"We stand for a white British Columbia!" the Premier and Mr. Barnard have often exclaimed. Yes, and the way they are bringing it about is to exclude white people and admit Chinese.

PITY THE BROKERS.

Philadelphia Record:
Last Monday was the dullist day on the New York Stock Exchange in twenty-five years. The turn-over amounted to 88,000 shares of stock and 818 bonds, and the commission earned was estimated at \$2,852.62. Assuming that each of the 700 firms of brokers owning seats in the exchange consists of three members, these magnificent earnings would have to be divided among 2,100 persons, making an average of \$1.36 apiece. Figuring the profits at the rate of \$4.31 per firm does not improve the case much. The overhead charges of exchange firms range from \$25 to \$100 a day. The seats cost them all the way from \$30,000, the low record in 1900, up to \$50,000, the high price in 1909. No account is here taken of personal expenses; and stock brokers do not spend a little. No wonder Wall Street is oppressed with a fit of blues.

THE MOTHER'S PART.

Rochester Post-Express:
The promoters of political and social movements in our restless age too often lose sight of the fact that the entire fabric of civilization must have its family for its foundation. It is around the mother as a spiritual centre that the destinies of her children revolve. Her power of shaping the future of her offspring finds expression in the aphorism that all great men have had great mothers. The mother who brings up her child in luxury and effeminacy sows the seeds of egoism, self-indulgence, and perhaps vice. The mother who teaches her child obedience, humility, self-denial and consideration for others is doing an inestimable service to the world by helping to create a beautiful and noble personality.

WANTS LAKE SHIPPING PROBE.

Toronto Star:
The Dominion government should appoint a Royal Commission of competent men to enquire into the whole enterprise of lake shipping. And the sooner the work begins the more thorough will be the results.

It's Being Demonstrated in This Store Every Day---That This Is to Be Essentially a Season of Useful Present Giving and Many of Our Departments Are Showing Useful Merchandise That Will Make Gifts of a Practical Nature, and They're Marked at Very Special Price Inducements.

AT 2.30 SATURDAY
Important Clearance of Ladies' Smart Evening Coats at \$10 and \$5

These two offerings will enable women who require a new Stylish Evening Coat, to obtain one at a price that is well within their reach. Such an extraordinary opportunity rarely occurs, and should therefore be seized upon by those who are in need of garments of this class. Those two offerings are made up of the balance of our stock of Evening Coats that have been on sale during the past two weeks, and there's not a coat in the lot that's not worth at least three or four times the price at which it is marked for special clearance on Saturday. Full particulars as to style, color and materials can be gathered by noting the special display in the View Street windows. In the \$5.00 offering there are only eleven coats.
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AT 2.30 SATURDAY
We Shall Offer Regular \$15 to \$17.50 Semi-Evening Gowns at \$5

THIS is a special clearing-up line of the balance of our Semi-Evening and Afternoon Dresses in Cream Nets and Plain Silks that have been selling during the past two weeks at prices ranging from \$15.00 to \$17.50. They are smart, serviceable dresses, and at this low price, which is lower than an ordinary cloth dress, they are sure to sell quickly, so to save disappointment we advise you to be here sharp on time.
Mantle Dept.—First Floor

AT 2.30 SATURDAY
A Special Sale of Christmas Gift Books

SHARP at 2.30 Saturday afternoon, on the second floor, we shall offer for special sale a large collection of Christmas Gift Books at prices considerably below the usual. The reductions vary from one-third to one-half off and in some instances a little more. All the series are popular editions and the prices speak for themselves.

Chatterbox Volume—The children's favorite annual, bound in picture board covers. Special price, each.....**75c**

Chatterbox Book of Wild Animals—Chatterbox Book of Horses, Chatterbox Book of Cats and Dogs; also of Soldiers, Sailors, Birds, Pictures and Puzzles. A monster gift book. Regularly sold at 75c. Saturday.....**50c**

Herbert Strang's Annual for Boys—22 complete stories; 8 full-page colored plates and 55 black and white illustrations. Regular price \$1.00. Saturday.....**75c**

Mother Goose Complete Rhymes and Melodies—Jumbo edition, bound in cloth boards, 271 pages, with illustrations by Sir John Gilbert, R. A.; John Tennill, Harrison Webber, Walter Crane, and others. Published at \$1.00. Saturday.....**50c**

An Old-fashioned Christmas Day, by Washington Irving, with six full-page plates, in colors. Regular price 35c. Saturday.....**25c**

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Latest Adventures of Foxy Grandpa
Flip-Flaps of Foxy Grandpa
Published at 50c per copy. Saturday.....**25c**

Aunt Virginia's series of Picture Books for children; large size books with many illustrations bound in picture boards. Published at 35c. Special Saturday.....**15c**

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AT 2.30 SATURDAY
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FOR women who like to wear a regular knock-about hat in wet and rough weather, these are ideal Hats. They are also very handy to wear about the garden or for motoring. There are the regular Tweed Hats, the Pull-on Mad Cap, in waterproof materials, and also good Felt Hats, with waterproof crowns. Take advantage of these lowered prices and secure one. You are sure to want one before the winter's through.

The Tweed Hats are regular \$1.50 to \$2.50 values, and the other Hats vary from \$2.50 to \$4.50.
Saturday, your choice for.....**95c**
—First Floor

Fancy Linens at Reduced Prices

THESE are a few odd lines that were left over from our Linen Sale, and to make a good clearing-up we are offering them at worthwhile prices.

Battenberg Runners and Squares—Regular \$1.00 values for 50c. Included are both plain and drawwork designs, and there's a good assortment. Useful pieces for the home or suitable for Xmas presents.

Cluny Lace Doilies and Centre-pieces are to be had at specially reduced prices. You can save from 1/2 to 1/3 the regular prices on any of these by buying now. They make excellent Xmas Gifts. The prices range from \$3.75 down to, each.....**15c**

Reduced Prices also apply to Hand-embroidered Infants' Pillow Cases, Hemstitched Embroidered Pillow Cases, Linen Sheets and Pillow Cases, Hemstitched Huckaback Guest Towels, Circular Cloths with Napkins to match, Linen Embroidered Runners and Squares, Pillow and Bolster Shams, and many other lines in Fancy Linens, too numerous to mention here. See these in the department and note the quality and prices.
—Main Floor

AT 7.30 SATURDAY NIGHT
Two Special Offerings From the Mantle Dept.
Regular \$1.50 House Dresses for **95c**
MOST women know the value of a Cotton House Dress. They know that they are the best kind of dresses to wear about the house while there's any cleaning or cooking to be done. Here's a special opportunity, then, to secure a new dress for Christmas. You'll want to look your best, even in the kitchen, while you're getting the Christmas fare ready. These dresses are in light and dark colored prints, in spots and stripes and various patterns, and there's a good assortment of styles.

SILK DRESSING JACKETS FOR \$2.90
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Mantle Dept.—First Floor

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The B. C. Funeral Co., Chas. Hayward, president, 714 Broughton street. Calls promptly attended to. Phone 2225.

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Economy Wet Wash Laundry.—Family wash, 75c a week. Clothes returned on the following day, thoroughly washed. Phone 3889. 2612 Bridge street.

Phoenix Beer, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

Fresh Killed Lamb.—Forequarters, 15c. lb.; hindquarters, 25c. Brown & Cooper, 410 Gordon St.

The Umbrella Shop, 810 Pandora St.

Wanted to Purchase.—Good agreements for sale at reasonable rates. Colonial Trust Company, Limited, Merchants Bank Building.

Special Prices on Xmas Photos at Young's Studio, 624 Yates.

Wall Paper, 10c Per Roll.—Estimates furnished on Decorating and House-Painting. H. Harkness & Son, 919 Pandora Ave.

The Key Shop, 610 Pandora St.

Show Cards for Xmas.—W. A. Blake, phone 3565, 1424 Government, opposite Westholme.

The James Bay Hotel.—South Government street.—This exclusive residential home has a few vacancies for winter residents at special inclusive winter rates. French chef, excellent cuisine. Phone 2304.

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Experimenting.—A local firm is experimenting on selling high grade goods in a low-rent district. They say in this manner they can sell the best for less, especially furniture, which takes up so much space for display. So far they are meeting with great success. Pandora avenue is the location, the Standard Furniture Company the firm.

Majestic Theatre.—A two-part special dealing with the Canadian frontier people is the headline at the Majestic to-day. Set upon the trail of a supposed murderer, an officer of the Northwest Mounted Police finds he is trailing his own twin brother. They exchange places; the wrong man is held until the guilty half-breed confesses. A remarkable tale of double identity, full of the mystery and charm of the great woods. Trials of a Playwright, a mirth-provoking comedy drama. The Stolen Treaty. Biograph play.

Warwick Chronicle, with the latest animated British news, and the Elusive Turkey, a Pathé Comedy furnish a fine and well balanced programme, you will be delighted with it.

Dentistry Without Discomfort.—Dr. J. L. Thompson, 1214 Government St. Open evenings.

SAANICH.

Saanich Ratepayers' Central Association have opened committee rooms at Northern Crown Bank buildings, 1236 Government street. Persons holding agreements of sale are invited to call and register on the voters' list before December 22, next. Phone 1660.

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Hunt Club Meets.—The Victoria Hunt Club will meet at the corner of the Gorke and Tillicum roads at 2.30 p. m. to-morrow.

Sportsman Recovers.—An operation has removed the element of danger to W. N. Lenesty's eye-sight as the result of the accident he met with while hunting recently and his recovery is proceeding rapidly.

Stockmen's Convention.—The annual convention of the B. C. Stock Breeders' Association will take place in Victoria on January 20 and 31 when a number of the most distinguished stockmen in the province will speak.

Okanagan Fruit Wins.—British Columbia fruit has been awarded the gold and silver medals respectively at the fruit shows in Chichester and Leeds, England. Okanagan apples won the awards.

Sunday Afternoon Concert.—At the Sunday afternoon concert of the Fifth Regiment band to be held in the Dominion theatre at 3 o'clock, the following artists will assist the bandmen: Miss J. Grinnell, soprano; Miss Jessie Burman, contralto and H. Mann, accompanist.

Struck Gold and Copper.—An Italian laborer working on the Pacific Great Eastern railway within 23 miles of Newport struck his pick into a vein of mineral which contains about \$40 to the ton in gold and copper.

Demonstrate Air Brakes.—Before the Lieutenant-Governor and a number of prominent citizens, Patrick Comerford and Henry Brennan demonstrated yesterday afternoon how a new air brake they have invented can be operated. The test was highly successful.

From Premises to Premises.—Another of the proposed transfers of licenses from saloons to apartment houses, to give them full hotel licenses, is announced in the application respecting the Retreat Saloon, Yates street, to the Scott block, corner of Douglas street and Hillside avenue.

Foresters Convene.—Reports from the district foresters were discussed at the meeting of the first convention of the provincial foresters in the Parliament Buildings yesterday. Methods of standardizing the service were taken up by several of the speakers, H. G. Marvin, L. R. Andrews, W. F. Loveland and P. Z. Caverhill. Further sessions take place this morning, afternoon and evening.

Bogus Twenty-Dollar Bills.—It has been reported to the police by Campbell Greenway, superintendent of branches of the Bank of Montreal in this province, that there are some excellent imitations of the bank's twenty-dollar bills in circulation in British Columbia. One of these was passed in the Hudson's Bay store in Vancouver the other day, and several have come in to the bank at its city branches. The spurious bills are photographs of the actual bill, and are printed on bond paper similar to that on which the genuine note issue of the bank is printed.

Elks Entertain.—The local lodge of Elks entertained their friends at the club rooms in the Campbell building last evening. The programme included speeches by different officers of the lodge, "black art" stunts, and a comprehensive lecture on the Panama Canal by Mr. Schick, a member of the American Elks, who has been employed in different parts of the United States and its possessions by the American government in the capacity of a civil engineer. The Elks have arranged to hold a ladies' night next Wednesday, when a varied programme will be presented for the members and their friends.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 12, 1888.

Sir Roderick Cameron, of New York, and Mr. G. H. N. Walwright, of Winnipeg, are at the Drriad hotel.

Rev. G. Tucker, Bishop of Bermuda, and C. R. Tucker, are visiting Victoria, and are guests at the Drriad hotel.

Sir George Phillipps is to retire from the position of chief justice of Hongkong. In 1870 he was appointed attorney-general of British Columbia and prepared under the direction of the government "The Constitution Act 1871," and the several other measures necessary to enable British Columbia to enter into confederation with Canada.

John King, an old English army pensioner, was found dead this morning on the veranda of a house on Pembroke street. The dead man was in the Crimean war, and later joined the Toronto police force. For some time he was employed by the corporation in this city.

The execution of Sinnequaa, the west coast murderer, took place this morning in the jail yard at Nanaimo. The Indian murdered a lad at Hesquiat by choking him to death.

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Leaky Roofs Repaired with "Nag" Composition. See Newton & Greer, 1325 Wharf St.

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Exhibition and Christmas Sale of China and Local Sketches.—An Exhibition and Christmas Sale of hand-painted china and water color sketches of local scenery will be held at Harmony hall, 735 Fort street, on Saturday afternoon and evening and following days. This sale will afford an excellent opportunity to obtain dainty and charming Christmas gifts.

Recite Christmas Carol.—On Monday next at 8 p. m., at the Fairfield Epworth League, Fairfield Methodist church, Moss street, Miss Maude Scott will recite Dickens' Christmas carol. There will also be a good programme of music furnished by the league.

Traffic Regulations.—Herman Krupholtz appeared in police court to-day in answer to a summons calling on him to plead to a charge of neglecting to obey the traffic rules regulating pedestrian traffic on Belleville street. H. W. R. Moore is acting for the defence and secured a remand until Tuesday.

Again Adjourned.—At the request of the defence, the case of Francis O'Reilly, accused of wounding Thomas Donahue, was adjourned this morning until Monday. The evidence of Dr. G. A. B. Hall was first taken. The doctor for attended to Donahue's injuries in the police station, and had to put three stitches in the cut in his scalp and one in the cut on his neck.

Back to Vancouver.—Edna Russell, a native of Toronto, who was one of the women who had to leave the restricted district in that city when the civic police authorities there got busy re-opening the scene of her activities over here this week. Last night she fell under the observation of Detectives Turner and Scelliano, and was charged this morning as a vagrant. She pleaded guilty and was sent back to the mainland this afternoon.

County Court Sittings.—In view of the approaching Christmas vacation in the courts, business has been hurried up in the county court this month with the object of leaving the list as clear as possible when the court rises for the holiday. As a consequence the hearing of trials of the cases on the list has been completed already, with the exception of one or two which have been set for a later date in the month for the convenience of litigants.

Old Men Took Drive.—Through the kindness of a number of gentlemen, who lent their motor cars for the purpose, the inmates of the Old Men's Home were yesterday taken for a drive round the city, the fine mild character of the weather making the day particularly suitable for the outing. Many of the guests enjoyed the experience of motoring for the first time, and were highly appreciative of the outing provided and organized through Mr. T. Liddell.

Motor Car Laws.—Traffic Inspector Palmer is once more emphasizing the need among owners and drivers of motor cars of greater attention to the regulations which were drawn up some time ago with respect to motor cars left standing in the street during the owner's absence. Cars are not to be permitted to stand at the curb unless left there as close to the curb as possible. They must not, moreover, project at an angle of more than twenty-five degrees. They must take the long turn when rounding corners at street intersections. Red lights in the rear and a light showing the number must both be left burning at night when the car is left standing in the street.

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By John Kendrick Bangs

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To leave unto the verdict of our star.

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And take a daily reckoning to tell
Us where we are.

Foresight is fine, yet thinking on to-morrow,
Neglected of the chances here to-day,
Is like to living on the sweets we borrow
Unmindful of the fruit along the way.

LIBERAL-REFORM CLUB.

Meeting to Be Held on Tuesday Evening Next at Which Prominent Speakers Will Be Heard.

A meeting of the Liberal-Reform Club is called for Tuesday evening next, when the leader of the party and other speakers will address the members.

The club is growing in membership and is becoming a live factor in the liberalism of the city and district. It has had several meetings since it was organized three months ago and the members are all thoroughly enthusiastic.

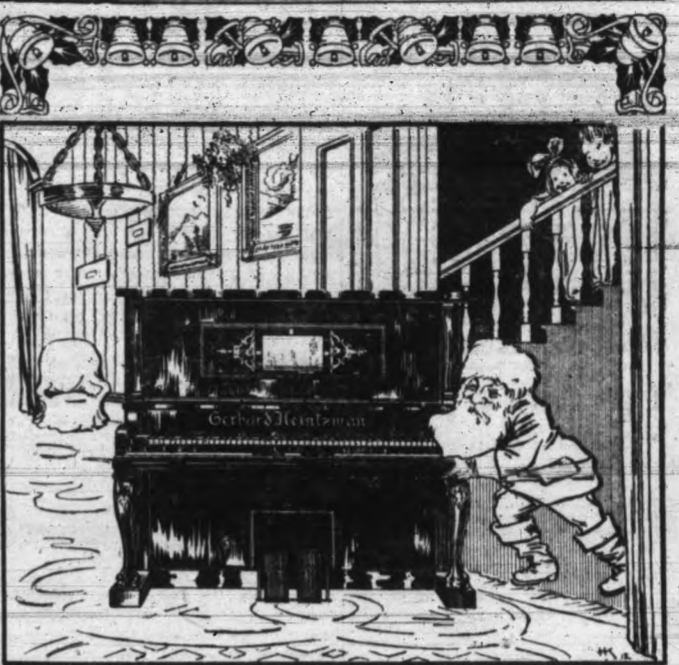
During the winter there will be a number of gatherings of the club at which prominent men of the party will speak. Committees are at work in the matter of permanent quarters for the club, and it is hoped before long to have fully-equipped club premises.

Christmas Contributions.—All contributions of Christmas cheer for the C. C. and West Coast Missions will be thankfully received at Christ Church Cathedral schoolroom on Monday, December 15.

Sale of Xmas Balls.—The evening branch of the Cathedral Girls' Auxiliary will hold a sale of Christmas dolls and fancy work on Tuesday, December 16, from 3 to 10 o'clock p. m., in the schoolroom, corner Quadra and Courtney streets. While these dolls range in price from 25 cents upwards, they are all equally dainty and mothers and others desiring such a gift should not fail to attend the girls' sale early Tuesday afternoon. Tea will be served and a charming programme has been arranged.

Ladies of the Maccoabees.—At the regular review of the Victoria Hive, No. 1, Ladies of the Maccoabees, held last evening at the Foresters' hall, the following officers were elected: Lady commander, Mary Cochenour; lieutenant, Josephine Wright; past commander, Elizabeth Mellon; recorder and treasurer, Lora Chapple; finance auditor, Susan MacNeil; chaplain, Hanna A. Wall; lady-at-arms, Maude V. Low; sergeant, Maude Kiddy; sentinel, Lizzie McKenzie; picket, Belle Roestler; musician, Arletta Jackson; captain of the guards, Ida Wrigglesworth; first color-bearer, Euphemia McGinnes; and second color-bearer, Eva Beaven. There were among those present three members of hives in New York and other places.

Sanitarium at Tranquille.—Dr. A. P. Proctor, of Vancouver, honorary secretary of the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society, yesterday presented to the Hon. Dr. Young statement showing the need for further finances to carry on the work at the Tranquille sanitarium. The figures showed that the institution had acquired a deficit of about \$15,000 during the past year, and that it was estimated that the deficit next year would run to about \$30,000 if some assistance could not be obtained, owing to the new buildings which it is proposed to erect at a cost of \$100,000. The provincial government, it is understood, will be asked to provide \$5 increased maintenance fund as well as something toward the erection of new buildings.



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Indians Found Drunk.—Two more Indians were found on the streets drunk yesterday and this morning fined in police court. This makes five this week so far.

Navy League Chapter.—At the meeting of the Navy League Chapter E. O. D. E. yesterday at the Alexandra Club committee room, the regent, Mrs. Roper, in the chair, a considerable amount of routine business was transacted, and it was decided to hold a patriotic ball at the Alexandra Club ball-room on Friday, January 14. A special meeting to make final arrangements will be held on Wednesday, December 17, at the Alexandra committee room, at 11 a. m., and all members are asked to attend.

Ivy Leaf Social Club.—The Ivy Leaf Social Club held their usual weekly whist drive on Tuesday instead of Thursday evening this week, eighteen tables being taken, and a most enjoyable evening passed. The prizes were presented by Mrs. B. F. Francis as follows: Mrs. F. N. Stafford; Miss B. Jones, second; Miss Burnam, consolation; and for the men, E. Pearson, first; A. Lutz, second; and F. Chapman, consolation.

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CIVIL ENGINEERS MEET.

Annual Election of Officers Results in Reappointment of F. C. Gamble to the Chair.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Branch, Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, was held on Thursday at the branch club rooms, 534-Broughton street, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Executive: F. C. Gamble, chairman of the branch; D. O. Lewis, vice-chairman; A. E. Foreman, treasurer; R. W. McIntyre, secretary; E. H. Harrison and Lewis W. Toms, auditors; H. A. Icke and F. A. Richardson.

The chairman gave a brief review of the work accomplished by the branch during the past year, and while advocating a change of officers from year to year nevertheless expressed his appreciation of being elected by acclamation to the third term in the chair.

A feature of the meeting was the interesting paper read by J. B. Holdcroft, A. M., on "Cellular design of vibrated concrete construction, with special reference to its use in subaqueous work." Amongst those present was H. S. Manisty, A. M. I. C. E.

Yorkshiremen Dance.—The third whist drive and dance of its season was held on Wednesday evening by the Yorkshire Society, the function taking place in the Moose hall, and being voted a huge success by all who attended. The proceedings commenced at 8.30, refreshments being served under direction of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis about 10 o'clock. Mr. Winsby acted as M. C. for the whist drive, prizes being won as follows: Ladies—1. Mrs. Palliser; 2. Miss Wellburn; hooby, Miss Edith Barf. Gentlemen—1. R. Lancaster; 2. N. B. Wellman; hooby, R. W. Shaw. Mr. Burns acted as M. C. for the dancing, and the music was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Rutley. Yorkshiremen wishing to become members of the society should communicate with John Wood, 325 Pemberton block.

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Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

ASIA EXPECTED TO SHOW REAL SPEED

Empress Left Yokohama Yesterday and May Arrive Here With New Record

Although the weather on the Pacific at the present time is not favorable to ships making record-breaking passages, still there is a strong suspicion that Capt. Robinson, master of the C. P. R. flyer Empress of Asia, will demonstrate the real speed capabilities of his command on her inward voyage from Hongkong and Yokohama. The big leviathan was reported steaming from the latter port yesterday and she is scheduled to show up at William Head on Saturday morning.

Before leaving this coast on her last outward run, the navigating officers and engineers were heard to remark that they were going to attempt something on the next run from Yokohama and Victoria. About the only thing they can attempt is to reduce the record for the long run. While on her three previous trips the Asia has failed to reveal any starting speed compared to her sister-ship the Empress of Russia, the general belief prevails among shipping men that the guarantee engineers who are aboard the Asia have been holding something up their sleeve.

NO C. N. R. STEAMSHIPS

Word has just been received by the Times from Toronto stating that the report published in a local paper regarding the award of contract by Canadian Northern railway for two new steamships for service on this coast, is incorrect. D. B. Hanna, vice-president of the C. N. R., whom it was reported had signed contracts with the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company, of Glasgow, emphatically states that no such orders have been placed, and he does not know of any such orders having been placed.

CANADA AT LIVERPOOL

The White Star-Dominion steamship Canada, which sailed from Halifax, December 3, arrived at Liverpool yesterday afternoon.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

DEEP SEA ARRIVALS.

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Dus.
Ajda	Thompson	4,478	Dodwell & Co.	Hongkong	Dec. 23
Andalusia	Helffer	3,271	John Waterhouse	Hamburg	Dec. 19
AKI Maru	Jentoft	3,560	G. Northern	Hongkong	Jan. 1
Arna	Yamamoto	3,700	Evans, Coleman & Evans	New York	Jan. 20
Canada Maru	Yamamoto	3,700	R. P. Rithet & Co.	Hongkong	Dec. 12
Cardiganhire	New	3,728	Findlay, Durham & Brodie	Hull	Dec. 22
Den of Arabia	Garrucha	3,728	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Dec. 29
Empress of India	Davidson	3,829	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 7
Empress of Asia	Robinson	4,851	Balfour, Guthrie & Co.	Liverpool	Dec. 29
Engineer	Jones	3,747	F. D. & B.	Hull	Feb. 27
Glenroy	Turner	3,947	Fishery cruiser	Glasgow	Jan. 10
Gallano	Wheeler	3,021	Balfour, Guthrie & Co.	Liverpool	Jan. 15
Kentra	Turner	3,947	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 20
Musichuan	Turner	3,947	F. D. & B.	Hull	Feb. 27
Makura	Phillips	4,921	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 20
Merionthshire	Holl	3,728	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 20
Niagara	Morrison	3,728	F. D. & B.	Hull	Feb. 27
Professant	Milhench	4,118	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Dec. 29
Panama Maru	Kanno	4,920	Sugar	Hongkong	Jan. 9
Rosier	Shelton	3,311	John Waterhouse	Antwerp	Jan. 12
Tamba Maru	Teranaka	2,331	G. Northern	Hongkong	Dec. 12
Teucer	Tarwood	3,817	Dodwell & Co.	Hongkong	Jan. 17
Tacoma Maru	Hanna	3,730	R. P. Rithet & Co.	Hongkong	Dec. 28
Walmate	Mead	3,629	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 20

DEEP-SEA DEPARTURES.

Shidzuoka Maru, G.N., Hongkong, Dec. 18
Empress of India, C.P.R., H'g'g., Dec. 17
Canada Maru, R. P. Rithet, H'g'g., Dec. 17
Marama, C. P. R., Australia, Dec. 24
Titan, Dodwell & Co., Liverpool, Dec. 24
Tamba Maru, G. N., Hongkong, Dec. 20
Empress of Asia, C.P.R., H'g'g., Dec. 31
Tacoma Maru, R. P. Rithet, H'g'g., Jan. 8
Makura, C.P.R., Australia, Jan. 21

COASTING VESSELS.

From Northern Ports.	From West Coast.	From San Francisco.
Prince George, G.T.P., Stewart, Dec. 14		
Princess May, C.P.R., Skagway, Dec. 15		
Chelohsin, U.S.S. Co., Bella Coola, Dec. 17		
Prince Rupert, G.T.P., Granby Bay, Dec. 17		
Prince Albert, G.T.P., Charl'ites, Dec. 22		
For Northern Ports.		
Prince George, G.T.P., Stewart, Dec. 15		
Chelohsin, U.S.S. Co., Bella Coola, Dec. 17		
Prince Rupert, G.T.P., Granby Bay, Dec. 17		
Prince May, C.P.R., Skagway, Dec. 19		
Prince Albert, G.T.P., Charl'ites, Dec. 23		
For West Coast.		
Princess Maquinna, Holberg, Dec. 20		
From West Coast.		
Princess Maquinna, Claycoot, Dec. 24		
From San Francisco.		
Senator, Pacific Coast, Dec. 18		
Unatilla, Pacific Coast, Dec. 25		
For San Francisco.		
Unatilla, Pacific Coast, Dec. 21		
Senator, Pacific Coast, Dec. 27		

BARQUE GETS FLYING START IN LONG RACE

Pottallock Given Good Offing and Meets Easterly Breeze; Inca Ready

Getting a fine offing at the very outset of her long run to Delagoa Bay, South Africa, the big British four-masted barque Pottallock, Capt. Armstrong, laden with a cargo of British Columbia fir, is now sailing down the Pacific with a stiff easterly wind helping her along. The windjammer is receiving a good start on the schooner Inca, Capt. Rasmussen, which is also bound for the east coast of South Africa, as by the time the five-master is ready to poke her nose out around Cape Flattery the wind may have shifted to an unfavorable quarter.

Last night about 9:30 o'clock the tug Lorne slipped alongside the Pottallock and placed a hawser aboard and early this morning passed Cape Flattery. Capt. Cutter took the barque well offshore, and when the Lorne began to leave in her hawser all hands on the Pottallock were aloft bending sail and she had considerable weigh on her.

No Race Says Skipper. Capt. Armstrong says that he has made no arrangements with Capt. Rasmussen of the Inca, for a race to South Africa, but it is safe to assume that the master of a fine square-rigger will not let a fore-and-aft rig get away with the boom without putting up some kind of a fight. The racing blood has not yet dried out of the veins of British seamen and no doubt Capt. Armstrong is trying to get the master of the schooner to believe that he will not try to get the best out of his ship trying to get the Inca to loaf along, and will just sail the Pottallock to her limit, putting paddles on his sails.

INCA-AWAY TO-NIGHT

The schooner Inca is expected to tow across to Port Angeles to-night and she will put to sea about Sunday. She is bound for East London a short distance farther north than Delagoa Bay.

A WINDJAMMER'S FATE

New York, Dec. 12.—The Norwegian barque Alexander Lawrence, which has been sailing the seas for the last four months, carrying ballast only, loaded into port Wednesday with a disgruntled skipper, Captain Pedersen. The barque had the same ballast that was put aboard at Buenos Aires when Captain Pedersen sailed thence for Rio Janeiro. When he could not find a profitable cargo at Rio Janeiro the owners ordered the barque to Halifax.

FRISCO'S MARINE NEWS

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—The French barque Marie, which has arrived here from Newcastle, Eng., with general cargo consigned to Balfour, Guthrie & Co., was fixed the day before her arrival to load lumber from Puget Sound or Portland at Brest at 70. She is reported fixed by Neame & Co., of London. This is the first fixture for the port of Brest, on the northwest coast of France, in many years.

The British ship Dunayre, 50 days out from Newcastle, Aust., for this port, has been chartered by Pope & Talbot for lumber from Puget Sound to South Africa at private terms. The Peruvian barque Belfast, now in port at Clatsop, has been chartered by W. R. Grace & Co. for lumber from Portland or Puget Sound to Callao direct at 40s. She will come north in ballast.

TWO DAYS LATE SHIP ARRIVES TOMORROW

Canada Maru Due in Forenoon; Musician Reported Leaving Frisco

Fully two days behind her usual date of arrival the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner, Canada Maru, Capt. Yamamoto, will arrive in port tomorrow morning from the Orient. She reported by wireless last night that she would make William Head during Saturday afternoon. It is expected that the delay suffered by the Canada has been caused through heavy weather being met at different stages of the run from Yokohama, which port she was reported to have cleared on time.

The Canada is bringing to Victoria one of the biggest cargoes to arrive on a Japanese liner in the past eight months. She has 400 tons of general merchandise, including a huge shipment of Japanese oranges and a heavy consignment of tea, to discharge here. Her passenger list is light, there being only about 20 Asiatics to land at Victoria. Musician Leaves Frisco.

A telegram received from San Francisco states that the Harrison liner Musician left this port yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Victoria and Vancouver. The big steamship is expected to berth at this port on Sunday shortly after noon. She has considerable freight to put off at the outer docks, and will probably be in port until late Monday.

Next week's arrivals include, besides the Musician, the Blue Funnel liner Proteus, Capt. Milhench, due Friday from the Jersey via Hongkong; Tamba Maru, Capt. Teranaka, of the Nippon fleet, due Wednesday from Hongkong and Yokohama, and the Empress of Asia, Capt. Robinson, of the C. P. R. line, scheduled to arrive from the Orient about Saturday. The Nippon steamship Shidzuoka Maru departs for the Far East next Tuesday with a full cargo and many passengers.

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The Japanese tramp steamer Hudson Maru, reported as bound by Mitsui & Co. for Japan, will load coal at this port this month for San Francisco. The British steamer Manning, which has just arrived at Honolulu from Newcastle, Aust., after discharging will proceed to Puget Sound to load lumber for Australia under charter to Healey & Co.

ANOTHER SOUTHEAST STORM IS BREAKING

Coast Wireless Stations Report Fresh Gales; Aloha May Pile Up During Blow

Another southeast gale is breaking over Vancouver Island, according to wireless reports received from the various coast stations. At Tatoosh the wind is still holding in the east, blowing 35 miles an hour at noon, but it may haul around soon to the southeast at any time. Estevan and Pachena both report fresh southeast gales, and the lighthouse tender Leebo, Captain Hunter, was unable to make a landing at the latter point to put off supplies and provisions, and is continuing her trip northward.

With the southeast wind prevalent, it is quite probable that the drifting derelict schooner Aloha will fetch up on the rockbound coast of Vancouver Island. Seafaring men will feel greatly relieved when they learn that the schooner has reached her last resting place, as at the present time she is a serious menace to navigation. Many steamer and ocean liners pass in and out of the strait every week, and as long as the Aloha is pursuing an erratic course at sea she will be a danger, as the ships will be in imminent danger of colliding with the waterlogged craft after darkness sets in. All steaming vessels have been notified that the Aloha is drifting about somewhere off the entrance to the strait, and a careful lookout will be kept for her.

WIRELESS REPORTS

- Point Grey.—Cloudy; calm; 29.98; 44.
- Cape Lazo.—Overcast; S. E.; 29.85; 51; sea smooth.
- Tatoosh.—Cloudy; E. 15 miles; 29.84; 50; sea smooth. In, S. S. Umattilla, 11 p.m.; in, S. S. Arline, 2.25 a.m.; in, three-masted steamer towing three-masted barge, 3 a.m.
- Pachena.—Cloudy; S. E., fresh; 29.88; 47; heavy swell. Spoke S. S. Princess Maquinna at Ucluelot, 10:15 p.m., northbound.
- Estevan.—Cloudy; calm; 29.64; 48; sea rough. Spoke 10 p.m. S. S. Canada Maru, 8 p.m. 30 N., 132.40 W., eastbound; 11:20 p.m. S. S. Alameda Christie Path northbound; 12:30 a.m. S. S. Chicago Maru 8 p.m. position 61.25 N., 138.46 W., westbound.
- Triangle.—Raining; S. E.; 29.60; 47; sea rough. Spoke 4:20 a.m. S. S. Princess Beatrice past Ivory Island, 3 a.m., northbound.
- Ikeda.—Raining; N. gale; 29.48; 43; sea smooth.
- Prince Rupert.—Cloudy; S. E., light; 29.70; 45; sea smooth. In, 10:15 a.m., S. S. Spokane, out again at 11:40 p.m., northbound.
- Dead Tree Point.—Overcast; W.; 29.75; 30; sea smooth.
- Alert Bay.—Cloudy; S. E.; 29.69; 46; sea smooth.
- Noon.
- Cape Lazo.—Cloudy; calm; 29.80; 46; sea smooth. Spoke, 10 a.m. S. S. Chelohsin, off Campbell River, northbound.
- Tatoosh.—Cloudy; E. 26 miles; 29.80; 52. Out, 8:40 a.m. S. S. Governor; 9:30 a.m. S. S. Argyle. In, 10:30 a.m., barque Finland, towing.
- Pachena.—Cloudy; S. E., fresh; 29.82; 50; heavy swell. Spoke 10:40 a.m. S. S. Leebo, unable to land owing to heavy swell; left, northbound.
- Estevan.—Cloudy; S. E.; 29.52; 49; sea rough. Spoke, S. S. Princess Maquinna, at Alouast, 12 p.m., southbound.
- Triangle.—Raining; 3 E. gale; 29.68; 47; sea rough. Spoke, S. S. Chicago, 8:40 a.m., off Pine Island, northbound; S. S. Montague, position later.
- Ikeda.—Cloudy; N. gale; 29.60; 39; sea rough.
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CLAVERLEY TO BE BEACHED

The British steamship Claverley will be placed on the beach near Punta Arenas for repairs, subject to the approval of the underwriters. As previously reported, the vessel went ashore during a snowstorm, and two holds were flooded as a result of the damage. Part of the cargo has been lightened. The Claverley is one of the latest design, which was quite a vogue among some owners a few years ago.

ARCHITECT COMING AGAIN

The Harrison liner Architect, which was here a month or two ago from the United Kingdom, is to return to Vancouver and she has been posted to load at Liverpool on February 19, closing on February 21. The next of the line to arrive will be the Musician, the late San Francisco. She is expected here next week. The Crown of Toledo is to sail from Liverpool on December 20, and the Crown of Galicia on January 17.

ANOTHER SUGAR SHIP

The Weir steamship Rosieric has been chartered to load sugar at Peruvian ports for the Vancouver refinery.

HUGE WAVES DAMAGE THE SOUTHERN COAST

May Have Been Caused by Snow-storm Five Hundred Miles Out on Pacific

Los Angeles, Dec. 12.—Lashed to fury by some unknown force, huge waves wrought damage all along the ocean shore last night and to-day. Pleasure piers at the seaside resorts and the oil wharves at El Segundo were battered and pilings were uprooted and dashed upon the strand, although no wind was blowing.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—The seismograph of the University of California recorded no disturbance that would account for the heavy run of surf on Southern California beaches to-day.

THE DEEP SEA LOG

Bound for Victoria on her maiden trip, replacing the steamship Sanuki Maru, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Aki Maru, Capt. Noma, was reported sailing from Hongkong one week ago last Wednesday. She is due to berth here on New Year's Day, and shipping men are sincerely hoping that she will meet a little swell, and make port the day previous, as they are not anxious to fill in the holiday working hard.

The Maple Leaf liner Kenra, Capt. Turner, should be in port early next month. She was reported at Coronel for coal the last day of November, and will make a call at Buena Ventura on the way up the coast to Victoria. She is bringing a big shipment of steel rails from New York.

SEALING COMMISSION

The hearing of Indians' claims was continued at good speed before the sealing commission this morning, the evidence all being of a stereotyped character and devoid of interest.

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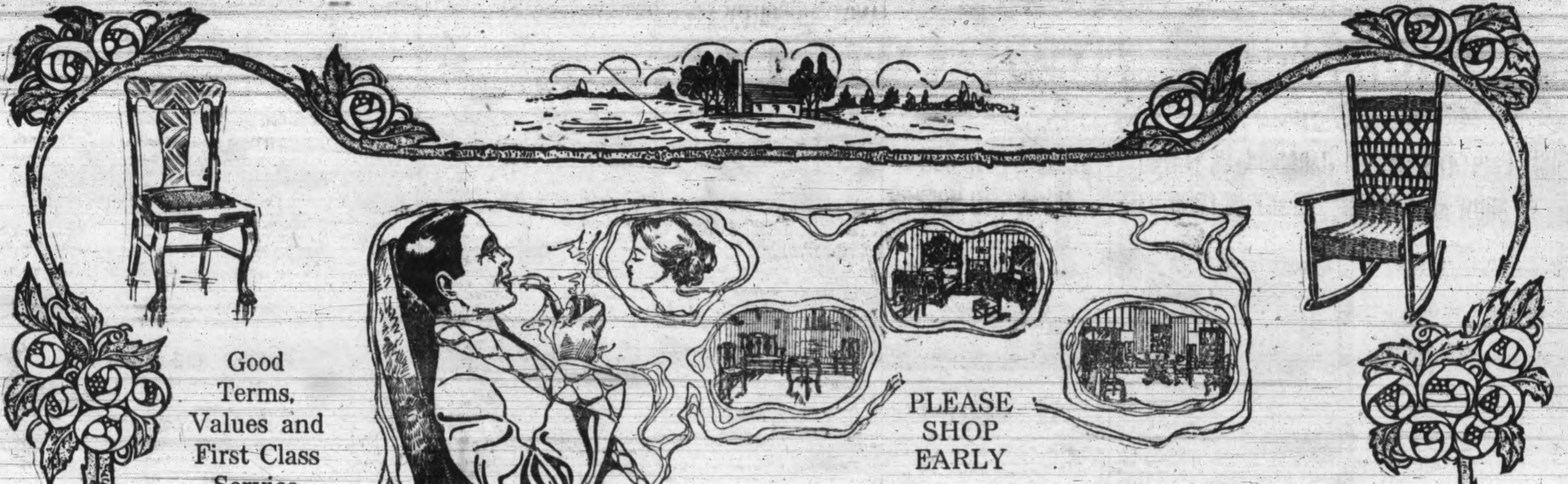
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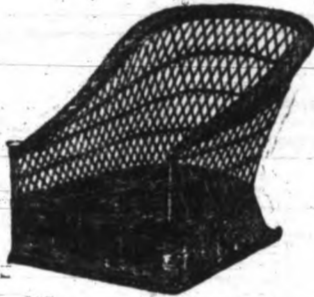
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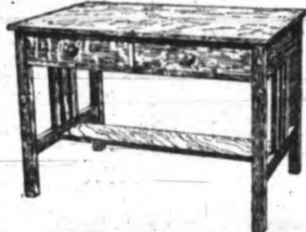


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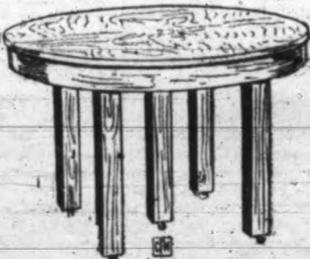
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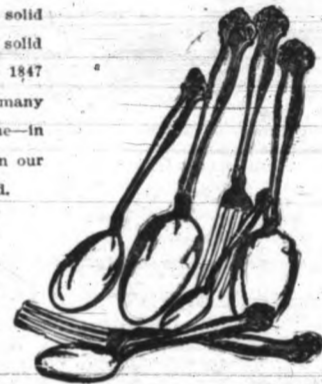
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SPORTING NEWS

CHAMPIONS LOOK FOR VICTORY; REGULAR TEAM FOR TO-NIGHT

Walter Small and Bob Genge hurt in Yesterday's Practice; Big Crowd Assured

Though badly battered up, Victoria will send the same team against the Westminster septette in to-night's game that played the Royals to a standstill on Tuesday night. Walter Small is the latest addition to the hospital squad, but the veteran will get into the game to-night, despite the fact that he had a couple of stitches put into his lip yesterday afternoon as a result of a skate cut sustained during the team practice. Small was trying his famous "poke-check" on "Chick" when the latter's skate cut him in the mouth. At first it was thought that the jaw had been cut, but luckily the blade only ripped his lip open. It took a couple of stitches to close the gash.

This was not the only accident, Bob Genge getting a crack on the nose from Bobby Rowe's stick that made that member swell twice its normal size, and brought the clarinet freely. The champions have been very unfortunate lately in having their regulars cut up, and will present the appearance of a bunch of war veterans when they take the ice against the Royals. The latter will come over on the afternoon boat and are quite confident that they can make it three straight. It is up to the Senators to stop the rush of the Royals, for a victory to-night will put the Salmon Bellies on easy street for a time. The game is sure to be a strenuous encounter, but Manager Patrick looks for the combination and again work of his septette to cop the victory.

Judging from the sale of seats, there promises to be a bumper crowd on hand to greet the Ice Dogs in their

PLAYS TO-NIGHT



EDDIE OATMAN

Westminster forward; leading goal-getter of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association, who promises to lead Tommy Dunderdale a merry chase in the race for the scoring honors this season.

first league game of the season. The tickets have been grabbed up steadily all week, and there will be very few to dispose of when the plan is taken to 'clock and a special car service has been arranged for: 'Nival Battle will appear between the periods in his own inimitable exhibition of fancy and trick skating, while Rowland's Band will entertain the fans during the evening.

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Fancy Silk Web Suspenders and Suspender Sets in fancy boxes, 25 per cent. off.

Men's Fancy Vests, 25 per cent. off.

Fancy Silk Hose and Tie Set, regular \$2.50, now \$1.65

Gold Links and Tie Pin to match, regular \$2.50, now \$2.15

Solid Ebony Military Brushes, regular \$5.00 and \$7.00, now \$4.15 and \$5.50

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Men's Soft Felt Hats, new colors and styles, regular \$3.50, now \$2.00

Men's Black Hard Hats, all new styles, regular \$3.50; now \$2.95

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REMARKED ON THE SIDE

Jinx Follows Coast League Champions.

It doesn't matter how the Victoria club works out, some one is due to get a crack before the players haul off their uniforms. Yesterday Manager Patrick sent the team out for a mere warming up, yet the players had not been on the ice five minutes before Genge came in with a banged up nose, due to a clout from Bobby Rowe's stick. The latter had not washed the gore from his face when Walter Small hurried into the room with a mouth that closely resembled a hamburger steak. That put the blinds on the practice, the players seemed a play-off with the Wests, while a win, or even a tie, gives the Wards the title. In the intermediate division the Wards are taking down another win, while the Wests will likely capture the Junior honors, Y. M. C. A. being runners-up.

Wards Look Good for the Title.

While there are quite a few of the more ardent James Bay enthusiasts who state that the Wards can repeat their win over the Wests, the general consensus of opinion appears to be that the Wards will win with a goal or two to spare. The departure of Wilkie will not weaken the Wards very much, McGregor being available to fill his place. With a dry field, the North Ward club should have a comfortable margin over the Bays, though on heavy turf, the rushing tactics of the Bays will give them a good chance to win. A victory means a play-off with the Wests, while a win, or even a tie, gives the Wards the title. In the intermediate division the Wards are taking down another win, while the Wests will likely capture the Junior honors, Y. M. C. A. being runners-up.

SPORTING GOSSIP OF THE DAY

Saturday's soccer game between the Empires and Navy should be well worth witnessing.

Jake Daubert, leading batter of the National League, went hitless in but 26 contests this season.

Johnny Johnson, one time a star football player of this city, met with an accident recently. Johnson was painting a house when the ladder gave way and the unfortunate worker had his leg broken.

Only three American League pitchers

worked in more than 300 innings last season. They are Walter Johnson with 346, Red Russell and Jim Scott.

Hap Meyers, Chief Meyers and several other well-known diamond stars, are playing with San Diego. Pug Bennett is playing second base.

Joe Bayley, following his easy victory over Welsh and White, will undoubtedly rule a favorite over Vaise when the pair clash December 26.

South Park and Central, under 16 teams, will meet at Beacon Hill Saturday morning. These two teams are leading in the league.

It is stated that the Empress foot-

ball club have disbanded and all the

Word comes from California that Rube Waddell is not suffering from tuberculosis, as was at first thought.

Tommy Bresnahan and Marty McCue fought ten fast rounds to a draw last night.

Bob McAllister in his first appearance in New York, pleased the fans by his easy victory over Young Mike Donovan Wednesday night.

On Saturday the Men's Own Club will oppose North Ward in the intermediate league.

Tom Jones, former manager of Ad

TO-DAY IN PUGILISTIC ANNALS

1887—Ike Weir and Tommy Warren fought a 20-round draw at Minneapolis.

This bout was for the featherweight championship of the world and was held at John Barner's club in the Flour City.

The Belfast Spider had all the best of the mill, and the draw decision was very unpopular. It was rumored that Warren was given two-ounce gloves and Weir much fatter ones, but even if this was true it did not do Tommy any good. The Fox belt, emblematic of the world's feather title, was given to the Spider after this bout.

Warren began to go back after this fight, but the following year he was still good enough to whip Jack

Havlin in a sensational bout in San Francisco, during which Havlin was knocked down over forty times, although not knocked out.

1848—Mike Madden and Jack Grant fought 140 rounds, 6 hours and 45 minutes, at Woking, England.

1907—Stanley Ketchel knocked out Joe Thomas in twenty rounds at San Francisco.

READY IN SPRING.
London, Dec. 12.—According to The Times, the Shamrock IV, Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger for the America Cup, will probably be launched in April and ready for sailing trials in May. The yacht will be as extreme a type of boat as the rules will permit, with a tremendously long-hang and an abnormal sail spread.

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VAISE IS GETTING TOO HEAVY ALSO ASKS HALF THE GATE MONEY

Renton Lightweight Dodging Match With Bayley; Scott After Weeks

Morris Condon returned from Seattle to-day, but he has not yet closed for a return bout between Joe Bayley and Frenchie Vaise for the lightweight championship of the Dominion. Vaise is quite willing to meet Bayley again, but the Renton boy is dictating terms which make a match impossible. He wants Bayley to allow him to make 134 lbs. four hours before the fight takes place, and in addition is asking for 40 per cent of the gate. Vaise has apparently grown too big for the lightweight class, and is endeavoring to come into this bout weighing about 137 lbs. As Bayley can easily make 123 lbs., the boxers are having a hard time agreeing upon the weight.

Should the local lightweight fail to bring Vaise to terms, he will immediately take up the deft of Kid Kelly, of Edmonton, who is also seeking a battle. Kelly's wager of \$1,000 will be covered by Bayley himself, and the latter is willing to meet the Edmonton lightweight in any club.

That Frenchie Vaise did not make any money in California is the statement of Tom Bayley, who returned yesterday from the Sound City. Vaise about cleaned up his expenses on his fight with Joe Azevedo.

Cyclone Scott is endeavoring to get a match with Billy Weeks for the middleweight championship of Canada. Scott says that he is willing to bet a

bank roll upon his chances against the Vancouver middleweight.

Murphy Very Sore.
San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Willie Ritchie, lightweight champion of the world, is in bed with an ice-pack on his face to reduce the inflammation resulting from an abscess in his nose. A surgeon operated on Ritchie yesterday and ordered him to bed.
"It is a painful case and Ritchie needs rest and treatment," said the doctor. "His manager did right in not letting him fight last night."

In the meantime the Ritchie-Murphy bout is off indefinitely, and will not be staged before the holidays in any event. The promoter denies that he had anything at all to do with calling off the fight last night and Tommy Murphy observes through the newspapers that Ritchie "ran out" and is afraid of him.
One result of the calling off of the fight last night was an offer of a Ritchie-Rivers or Murphy-Rivers match in New York, January 14.

TO-NIGHT'S LINE-UP

No.	Vic.	Position.	West.	No.
1	Lehman	Goal.	1	
2	Tobin	Point.	2	
3	Johnson	Cover.	3	
4	Oatman	Rover.	4	
5	Mallen	Centra.	5	
6	McDonald	Right Wing.	6	
7	Throop	Left Wing.	7	
8	Griffis	Referee.	8	

BAYS AND WARDS PROVIDE FEATURE

City Soccer Championship at Stake in To-morrow's Senior League Contest

To-morrow's soccer feature will be that between J. B. A. A. and North Ward at Beacon Hill. A record crowd is expected to witness the contest, as if the Bays win it will mean a play-off between the Wards and Wests. Should the Wards win or even obtain a draw they will relieve Victoria West of the championship trophy. Sam Lorimer is sure that his team will defeat the North Enders with ease, while their opponents are equally as confident that their firing line will have little trouble penetrating the Bay defence.

Whittaker will replace Allen on the left wing, while the latter will play outside right. Whittaker is not only fast and tricky, but he is a grand shot. Lorimer's eleven will line up the same as they did against the Wests a week ago. The match will start at 2.30 sharp on the lower grounds at Beacon Hill. Mr. Thompson will handle the game.

How the teams will line up:
Wards: Position. Bays:
Baimes Goal. Thorburn
Newland Full Backs. Menzies
Taylor Full Backs. Moseley
Davidson Half Backs. Robertson
Thomas Half Backs. Polkington
Brown Forwards. Ferris
Allen Forward. Breadner
Muir Forward. Petch
McGregor Forward. Hines
Nichols Forward. Totty
Whittaker Forward. Attwell
Referee, Thompson, navy.

Saturday's Games.
Senior.
Wards vs. Bays, Beacon Hill (lower).
Referee, Mr. Thompson.
Intermediate.

Wards vs. Men's Own, Ward Park.
Referee, Mr. Jasper.
Navy vs. Empire, Macdonald's field.
Referee, Mr. Mallon.
Wests vs. Pandoras, Beacon Hill (upper).
Referee, Mr. Hallas.
Junior.

Wards vs. Wests, Macaulay Point.
Referee, Mr. Sloan.
Teams for to-morrow:

The following is Pandora's line up for Saturday's game vs. Wests at Beacon Hill: Loveridge, Muir (capt.), Castle, Williams, Root, A. Day, Lifton, I. Day, Fisher, Richards, Miller, Reserves, McWilliam, Porter.
The Men's Own team: Lock, Daniels, Wiseman, Church, Armstrong, B. Lea, Alcock, Weight (capt.), Ferris, A. Lea and Harwood; reserves, Clinchen and Norman. Players are requested to be on the ground by 2.15 o'clock.
Victoria West Juniors: Sloan, James, Shakespeare, Popham, Gerow, W. James, A. Sherratt, P. Sherratt, Plump, McIvryde, C. Carroll, Reserves, Thompson, Carroll, Pichou.

LOSES TITLE BOUT



TOMMY MURPHY

Veteran New York lightweight, who says that Willie Ritchie "ran out" on him at Frisco on Wednesday night. Murphy is the original tough-luck boy, three former champions, Gans, Nelson and Wolgast, having refused him matches when they held the title.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Tommy Murphy will get first crack at my title," said Lightweight Champion Willie Ritchie yesterday, "but at this time I can not give any definite idea of when I will be ready for fighting—that depends upon the decision of my physician."

YALE MAY RETAIN ENGLISH STROKE

New Haven, Dec. 12.—A rumor which gathered considerable credence among Yale undergraduates, but which rowing authorities refused to comment upon, has it that Yale's new crew coach will be Guy Nickalls, at present coach of the Leander crew at Oxford, and several times winner of the Diamond Sculls. Nickalls is the most capable oarsman in England, both as an individual sculler and as a coach. He is a brother of Vivian Nickalls, crew coach of the University of Pennsylvania.
Nickalls' selection as head crew coach at Yale will mean the retention of the English stroke.

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ALERT BAY RUGBY TEAMS SHOW CLASS

Alert Bay, Dec. 12.—An interesting match took place between the above teams on the Industrial School grounds, resulting in a win for the Wanderers by two goals to one. For the Wanderers the three forwards, Nelson, Kenwick and Morrison, played a fine game, showing clever combination. The following made up the Wanderers' team: Halliday, Dundas, Helmsing, Chambers, Gibbons, Bowerman, McBurney, Nelson, Kenwick, Morrison, Gibbons.

AHEAD OF RECORD.

New York, Dec. 12.—At 8 o'clock to-day the 104th hour of the six-day bicycle race, ten teams were tied for first place, the Corry-Walker team having gained a lap. The leaders at that hour had travelled 2,047 miles, six laps, which is 32 miles 4 laps ahead of the record.

The Anderson-Hansen team was five laps behind and was declared officially out at 8 a.m.

SKATING TOURNAY.

Mr. Louis Rubenstein says the Figure Skating Association of Canada will hold its first championships at Ottawa. He was in Ottawa recently, and while talking with Secretary Creighton was informed in a casual way that the Capital would probably be the scene of the first champion-

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A Benefit Dance A Dance will be given on Friday, Dec. 12, in the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton, by the B. C. Electric Interurban Employees for the benefit of Mrs. Ed Hainstock, widow of the late Edward Hainstock.

The Vosburgh Travelogues Auspices Y. M. C. A. Given at First Baptist Church, Yates and Quadra. Illustrated by Still and Motion Pictures.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

(All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.) A. S. Blake, of Seattle, is at the Empress hotel.

Charles W. D. Clifford, of Kitchikan, is among the newly-arrived guests at the Empress hotel.

John A. Conkey, the well-known Vancouver broker, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

W. McCormack, of Sydney, arrived in Victoria yesterday on the Marama and is staying at the Empress hotel.

When Cold Dutch Appears Dirt Disappears

Mrs. W. G. Drummond, Miss Gutteridge, Mrs. A. R. Craig, Mrs. W. H. Morrow, Mrs. F. Patterson, Miss M. Brennan, Mrs. M. E. Thompson, Mrs. D. Wood, Miss R. Tees and Mrs. W. T. Norton. On their way back on the afternoon boat the members of the deputation held an impromptu meeting on the boat, the observation room being placed at their disposal.

WHAT DYSPEPTICS SHOULD EAT

A PHYSICIAN'S ADVICE. "Indigestion and practically all forms of stomach trouble are, nine times out of ten, due to acidity; therefore stomach sufferers should, whenever possible, avoid eating food that is acid in its nature, or which by chemical action in the stomach develops acidity.

THE HUMAN PROCESSION

J. Bruce Ismay, one of the few men whose lives were salvaged from the wreck of the Titanic, was born in Liverpool fifty-one years ago to-day.

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WEATHER BULLETIN Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Dec. 12, 5 a. m.—T. The pressure is low over the Canadian Northwestern provinces.

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COMPETE WITH ONTARIO B. C. Apple Orchardists Intend to Ship to Prairie Farmers' Associations.

School of Handicraft and Design Lessons in the following subjects, 7.30 to 9.30 P. M. Wood Carving—Miss Hendy, Monday.

GIRL'S MATRIMONIAL RECORD. A Georgia girl, aged seventeen, considers herself a marriage specialist through the distinction of having been engaged to twenty-five men.

SUGGESTIONS ON BILL ARE BEFORE BOARD

Municipal Amendments Will Be Further Considered on Tuesday Next

Recognizing the importance of numerous recommendations made by the municipal committee of the board of trade appointed to examine the municipal bill to be considered at the next session of the legislature, the members of the board laid the subject over yesterday afternoon to another session to be held on Tuesday. The report, however, was first read and briefly discussed.

M. B. Jackson, chairman of the committee, in presenting the report explained the support given by the president, J. J. Shultcross. He said the desire was to enable the ratepayers to know exactly what work was to be done, and to establish brakes on the municipal machine, which was apt to operate too fast. The speaker said they should get away from hand to mouth financing, and by establishing a local improvement fund, money would be available for desirable works. This fund might be large, perhaps \$200,000, which would enable the council to carry out such works as were desirable in the fiscal year. Mr. Jackson dealt next with the question of advertising.

He said the committee did not go so far as to recommend an audit, but there should be an inspection. A government inspection would stop the impropriety of diverting funds to other sources. In major works there would be a formal opportunity for a protest to an expert, but if the report was still adverse, the council could override it by a three-fourths majority.

There should be some security for the debenture holders by the certificate from the provincial government of all preliminaries of local improvement work having been completed, the committee further recommended.

The town planning clauses were presented to secure the quality of property and building restrictions not varying. Mr. Jackson said.

The speaker declared that there must be some central authority, under a permanent official, to control the financial situation.

C. H. Lugin asked for information whether the "local improvement fund" would be authorized by by-law from the ratepayers, or specified by the council in obtaining the necessary by-laws?

J. L. Beckwith, another member of the committee, did not think it was the intention of the council to ask for authority to raise this money. He alluded to the plan of short-term loans inaugurated in Victoria about two years ago, as the current way of financing.

The chairman said that sooner or later the direct power from the ratepayers must be obtained, even if they

did not vote the first loan, in all local improvement works.

R. B. Drury alluded to cases where work was initiated without the owners knowing anything about it. He, however, styled some of the recommendations of the committee as retrograde, and foreign to public opinion. Who knew better what was wanted than the owners? A provision should be established as to the minimum number of persons to vote in order to make the passage of a by-law effective. He deprecated the idea of going outside the city for advice, as a mistake and retrograde altogether.

Mr. Beckwith referred to the powers vested in a minister or commissioner on the practical, and thought the idea of a commissionership in this province was excellent.

Councillor McGregor, Oak Bay, foresaw difficulty in getting the approval of a commissioner to by-laws for local improvement work. It might be some time before he would give attention to the matter.

W. J. Dart supported the British local government board system of an examination by an official of the board. J. S. Floyd, the third member of the committee, further explained the clauses.

On the motion of P. A. Pauline the report was laid on the table till Tuesday next for further consideration.

BOTH WANTED SAME HALL FOR MEETING

Receipt Which Was Not in Order Leads to Curious Situation at Royal Oak

The desire of two rival parties to occupy the Royal Oak hall for election meetings in connection with the municipal campaign in Saanich, led to a peculiar state of affairs last evening.

The Ratepayers Association had hired the hall for the meeting, and Chairman Daly had taken the platform with the secretary, Mr. McIver, when Councillor Quick, who was accompanied by two police officers arrived. Councillor Quick, too, appeared to have hired the hall from the owning association, and a receipt was produced. However, it merely said December 11, no year being stated, so the officials refused to sign, and the Ratepayers' Association meeting proceeded as arranged.

The speakers were Reeve Nicholson, and Councillor McGregor, the candidates for reeve, and Councillor Quick, and J. A. Grant for the councillorship of the ward. The latter is the candidate for the ward in the interest of the association.

Reference was made to the signature of Councillor Quick to the cheque during the absence of the Reeve with the words "acting reeve" added. Councillor McGregor questioning the right of the councillor to sign so without the resolution of the council to that effect. The Reeve answered that the bank had been advised, and his personal security was behind the signatures in that form.



READY FOR A BUSY DAY'S SELLING MANY BARGAINS

Accordion-Pleated Underskirt as a Gift Suggestion

They are made of fine messaline silk and are pleated to the hips. Very suitable for wearing with the style of skirt now being worn, as it fits close to the figure. Colors, saxe, Paddy green, brown, peacock blue, navy, cerise, strawberry and shot effects. Price\$6.75

Fancy Baskets at Half-Price

Included are linen hampers, work baskets, some nicely quilted inside with satin, waste paper baskets, fruit baskets and some suitable for filling with candies or other goods for Christmas gifts. Friday, Half-Price

Handkerchiefs

Surely you have these included in your gift list? If so you cannot do better than inspect our fresh, new stock. Whether you desire plain, embroidered or the finest of hand-made Lace Handkerchiefs, we have the best quality in each. You can buy them in several styles of fancy gift boxes all ready for mailing.

Fancy Linens Bought Specially for Our Christmas Trade

Included the finest real Irish hand-embroidery or Cluny lace centres, runners, doilies and tray cloths. Prices from 25c to\$85.00. We also have an exceptionally fine stock of real Irish table linens at very moderate prices.

Fine Tailored Waists of Linen

These are all finely tailored and come in very smart and attractive styles. They are made of fine Irish linen, some hand-embroidered in dainty designs. Prices \$2.50 to\$5.00

A Down Comforter Makes a Useful Gift

We have a very choice stock for you to select from. Many color schemes are to be found. They are filled with fine purified down and are well ventilated. Prices \$7.50 to\$25.00

A Gift That Will Be Appreciated by the Home Dressmaker

Waist or pyjama length of Viyella flannel. Many colors and fancy stripe effects. Guaranteed not to shrink or fade. A very useful material. These are all nicely tied up in a pretty Christmas gift box. Waist lengths, each\$1.50. Pyjama length, each\$3.00

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS FOR TO-MORROW'S SELLING

Gift Neckwear at Bargain Prices

These goods are all nicely boxed in Xmas gift boxes all ready for mailing. They consist of a few odd pieces that we wish to clear to make room for other stock.
Guipure Lace and Embroidered Net Dress Stocks in white and cream with touches of sky, pink, rose, red or gold trimming. Regular values \$2.00 to \$5.00. Saturday special, \$1.00 to\$3.50
The same as above, but without the jabot. Regular value \$2.25 and \$2.75. Saturday special, \$1.25 and\$1.50
Dress Stocks of black silk with white lace jabots. Regular values \$1.25 to \$2.00. Saturday special, 75c to\$1.25
Embroidered Net Fichus and large shawl collars. Regular \$4.50 and \$5.00. Saturday special\$2.00

Special Reductions in Felt Slippers for To-morrow's Selling

Genuine "Kosy" Slippers in all popular shades. We are exclusive agents for this famous make. Other slippers of a similar name are being sold, but are inferior imitations. Special value, per pair\$1.00
Woman's Felt Juliete, fur trimmed, in all popular colors. Regular \$1.50 to \$2.50; mostly \$2.00 and \$2.50 values. Saturday special\$1.25
Children's Felt Juliete, fur trimmed, extra good quality. Odd sizes, from infants' 4 to misses' 2. Regular \$1.25 pair. Saturday special75c
Travelling Slippers in leather cases, red, black and tan. Regular \$3.00. Saturday special only\$2.00

Flannelette Drawers and Nightgowns Reduced for To-morrow's Selling

Nightgowns made of good quality white flannelette, nicely tucked in front and embroidered in neat designs. Regular \$1.50 to \$1.75. Saturday special, only\$1.00
Flannelette Drawers, cut in knicker style; large sizes. Good value at 75c and \$1.00. Saturday special50c

Remarkable Sale of Children's Coats

At \$4.90. Smart, well-made Coats of blanket cloth, chevrot, and fancy serges, in latest styles and cuts. Some are trimmed with velvet collars and cuffs; others are with collar and cuffs of self or reversible materials. Sizes from 8 up. Regular values to \$7.75. Saturday special\$4.90
At \$6.90 we are offering some exceptionally fine models in Girls' Coats. Among the trimmings will be found the smart Bulgarian belt effect, collars and cuffs of velvet and fancy buttons. Materials are chinchilla, shot astrachan, fancy art serge, tweeds and two-toned diagonal materials. Colors scarlet, cardinal, saxe blue, navy and brown. Regular values to \$12.00. Saturday special\$6.90
For \$10.90 you can purchase a fine Girls' Coat of black pony cloth with imitation ermine collar or a fine Navy Velour Coat cut in very classy lines. Regular values to \$20.00. Saturday special at\$10.90

Reductions on All Millinery

Including all our fine Models and Pattern Hats. We have a very exclusive stock of fine Trimmed Hats, and all are reduced, in some cases to one-half of original price.
All-Felt Shapes reduced toOne-Half
Trimmed Hats in all popular shades of brown, saxe, navy, purple, green and black. Some very fine hats are included in this lot, the regular values being in some cases as high as \$16.00. Special\$7.50
Trimmed Hats, in velvet, felt, velour, plush and satin, daintily trimmed in latest styles. Regular values to \$12.50. Special\$5.00
Ready-to-Wear Hats in all newest colors, in velour, felt, plush, tweed and cord. Regular values to \$6.00. Special\$2.50

Sale of Fine Silk Dresses

These are all cut in distinctive styles and will make very acceptable gifts. They are made of fine messaline silk in brown, navy, saxe, strawberry, corn, gold and mauve. Trimmings include brocade revers and vest effects, Robespierre collar, lace cuffs and fancy buttons. Regular values to \$18.75. Saturday special,\$12.75

Regular 29c to 50c Madras Muslin Bungalow Net and Hemstitched Scrim, per yard 22c

For Saturday's selling we have marked a few hundred yards of these Cream Scalloped and Plain Madras Muslin, Plain and Bordered Bungalow Net, Hemstitched Scrim in white, cream and eern, 40 to 50 inches wide; also a line of handsome White Muslin with a dainty stencilled border in shades of green, blue, and yellow green border, 50 inches wide. This is without doubt the best offering of these goods you will hear of for perhaps months. Regular 29c, 35c, 39c to 50c values. Saturday yard22c

Children's Winter Coats Attractively Priced

Made of fine white velvet corduroy in white, green, brown and blue. Very warm, serviceable and neat. A sensible gift. Price, up from\$2.75

Teddy Bear Coats, made of good warm quality of brown bear cloth. Always cosy and looks well. Price...\$4.00
Caps to match, each65c

Fancy Christmas Ribbons

There is yet time for you to make up some small novelties of ribbon. Many useful and pretty articles can be made quite easily. For instance: Opera bags, slipper bags, fancy work bags, hair receivers, hairpin holders, pin cushions, cushion covers, etc. We also have ribbon suitable for tying up your gifts.

Perfumes and Toilet Powders at Half-Price

This affords you an exceptional opportunity to secure gifts at a very small cost. All popular odors are here in many different sized bottles. Toilet powders, French sachet perfumes, lavender, smelling salts and perfumed soap are also included in the sale. Friday,Half-Price

Silk Hose

We have a splendid assortment of Silk Hose in all popular shades. Price \$1.50 per pair.
Better quality in black, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25.

About Two Hundred Cushion Squares at These Two Prices

Cushion Squares, each: 25c. Reg. 35c, 50c, 65c and 75c values. At this price you can choose from Squares size 18x24, 24x24 inches, and select from tapestries and silk and wool; heavy tapestry repps in broche and figured and plain styles, in all colors. Shadow chintz, printed linens and heavy Russian crash in shades of natural, green, blue and brown. Reg. 25c, 50c, 65c and 75c values. Friday, each...25c

Cushion Squares, regular 25c, 30c, 35c and 40c values. Each 15c

Here you can choose from dozens of different Squares, all large enough to make a pillow or work bag, stocking or shoe bag, in bright chintz, repps, Monk's cloth, burlap, plain and printed. A wonderful collection at this small price. Reg. 25c, 30c, 35c and 40c values. Friday, each...15c

Ladies' and Kiddies' Gloves

Unless Gloves are featured on the Xmas shopping list, the list can hardly be called complete. We keep nothing but the finest makes. Ask to be shown the dainty Glove Scrip.

Special Price Inducements For Xmas Buyers

Our Big Christmas Stock Must Go

BRUSH, COMB, MIRROR SETS	FANCY IMPORTED PERFUMES
Ebony, reg. \$12.00, for...\$9.00	In Cut Glass Bottles:
Ebony, reg. \$9.50, for...\$7.00	Reg. \$3.00, for...\$2.00
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Parisian Ivory, \$15, for \$12.00	Reg. \$5.00, for...\$4.00
Parisian Ivory, \$10, for \$7.50	Reg. \$7.50, for...\$6.00
	Reg. \$10.00, for...\$8.00
MANICURE SETS	Reg. \$12.00, for...\$9.50
Ebony, reg. \$7.50, for...\$5.00	Reg. \$15.00, for...\$12.00
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Parisian Ivory in fancy leather folding cases, reg. \$10, for only\$7.50	PERFUMIZERS
Reg. \$7.50, for...\$6.00	Brings the best out of your perfumes. \$1.00 up to \$7.50. All 25 per cent off.
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The Very Thing

Kodaks from \$7.00 to\$25.00
Brownies, from \$1.00 to\$10.00
Kodioticon\$25.00

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Hair Brushes, 50c to...\$5.00
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COMMISSION WOULD MAKE LOANS EASIER

Agriculturalists Need Better Terms; To Hear Evidence in Vancouver

W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., chairman of the Provincial Agricultural Commission, is visiting Vancouver together with Messrs. A. Lucas, M.P.P., Campbell, Kidston, Shannon and Duncan in order to arrange a conference with the financial agents of the banks and loan companies for the purpose, it is understood, of entering into negotiations whereby money will be loaned by the banks to the farmers of British Columbia on easier terms than at the present time. One of the main topics of discussion at the commission has been in connection with giving settlers assistance, and the present step on the part of the commission is for the purpose of looking into the matter further.

During its stay on the mainland the commission will visit the Vancouver board of trade for the purpose of giving information on various agricultural matters of interest to the city, and it also been arranged that sessions will be held in the court-house and witnesses will be examined with reference to the matter under examination.

USED OBSCENE LANGUAGE. Vancouver Visitor Fined Fifteen Dollars for Breach of Public Morals By-Law.

It cost Richard Waran, who is passing through the city on his way back to Vancouver, fifteen dollars for losing his temper and indulging in obscene language on Yates street late yesterday afternoon.

The complaint was laid by Alfred Wayburn, who was spoken to by the young man in a business place and followed out on the street, where the language was repeated and continued along the street for some distance. Mr. Wayburn described the nature of the language used.

Waran claimed that about two years ago he had driven the complainant as one of a party in a motor car drive, and that a matter of two dollars and a half had since been owing to him. He admitted that he had spoken to Mr. Wayburn and that he had lost his temper and used foul language.

Mr. Wayburn explained to the court that he had never seen Waran before, had never been driven by him at any time, and had only resided in the city since November of last year. The magistrate condemned the use of such language as Waran made use of and fined him as already stated.

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RACING BETS IN BRITAIN

\$400,000,000 YEARLY

Another \$200,000,000 Bet in Football; an Anti-Gambling Crusade Under Way

That there is any morality at all in betting and gambling was emphatically challenged at a largely attended meeting in the Association hall, Manchester. The meeting was called by the Anti-Gambling League for the purpose of supporting Lord Newton's betting inducements bill and Mr. Hayes Fisher's football betting bill. Sir William Mather presided. Several of the speakers referred to the passage in Bishop Welton's speech in which the bishop said that "a man who risks money which he can easily afford to lose, and risks it openly and honestly—although I do not think he is making a good use of his money, and although I think he is setting an example which may do harm to others, yet he is not, in my judgment, committing a sin."

Mr. Philip Snowden, M. P., expressed the deepest regret that a man who had the oversight of the moral and spiritual condition of a great community should have given an implied encouragement to the practice of gambling. Mr. Snowden argued that no man had a right to bet, and that betting and gambling should be placed in the category of dishonest practices. Mr. J. L. Paton, high master of the Manchester Grammar School, paraphrased the bishop's statement to make it read: "It is right to bet if you win and wrong if you lose, because if you win you can afford it." The Rev. Spencer Elliott joined in the protest by saying that he had yet to learn that the devil was going to be beaten by making terms with him.

Sir William Mather said an insidious influence was at work among the masses of the people. "I do not think," Sir William Mather said, "that the working classes need anyone's pity, because, taken all in all, they maintain the dignity of the country quite as well as any other class, but the exigencies of their lives subject them to all sorts of temptations to which members of the wealthier classes are not subject, or, if they are, it is because they like them and have means to indulge in them without doing any harm to themselves." The tendency to bet seemed to be inherent in human nature, and it was being exploited by persons who made betting a business, which they carried on by methods that were a degradation to the nation and that robbed our sports of their purity and delight.

Mr. Philip Snowden, who moved a resolution supporting Lord Newton's betting inducement bill and the football betting bill introduced by Mr. W. Hayes Fisher, said these two bills were of a timid and modest character. They did not propose to make betting illegal, but they proposed to take

temptation out of the way of the weak and innocent. Betting was one of the most serious evils of the day, and it was the most difficult of individual evils to deal with because it could be carried on for a long time secretly. They had the calculation of the secretary of the Anti-Gambling League that £30,000,000 a year was bet on horse-racing in this country and £40,000,000 on football. They were told that the sport of horse-racing could not be continued but for the financial support which it derived from betting. It was impossible for a daily newspaper to be a financial success unless it catered for the betting fraternity. In recent years three attempts had been made by newspapers not to publish betting news. One of those newspapers was owned by an active supporter of the crusade against gambling, but he was compelled to surrender. There was the case of the Daily News, which began by refusing to publish betting news or liquor advertisements, and they knew the outcome of that attempt. Twelve months ago the organized labor movement started a daily newspaper. It was determined to set an example in clean journalism, and it tried its best, but now it publishes racing tips—(Shame.)

"Speaking for myself," Mr. Snowden said, "I would infinitely rather see the labor movement in this country without its daily paper than that it should be an agent in tempting working men to spend their inadequate means in such a way as betting and inviting them to moral ruin and degradation."

Newspaper competitions of alleged skill were a form of gambling of a very insidious character, and there were an improper, mean and fraudulent method of making money. (Cheers.) They were a confession on the part of the proprietors of the journals concerned that they were not able to command a circulation by their own literary abilities. (Cheers.) It was a worse form of betting than tossing a coin because the competitor's chances were 10,000 or 20,000 to 1, however meritorious his endeavor might be.

Not an Innocent Amusement. It was necessary to destroy the idea that betting was an innocent amusement and to create a public opinion that would place betting and gambling in the same category as other dishonest practices. "It may be," Mr. Snowden said, "that Bishop Welton was not correctly reported last week, but if he was I can only express my deepest regret that a man who has oversight of the moral and spiritual condition of the people in a great community like this should give such an implied encouragement to the practice of gambling—(Cheers.) He has made the work of some of us laymen engaged, perhaps he may say, in secular work, far more difficult—those of us who realize that the moral development of the individual must follow the material improvement of his condition." (Cheers.) As remedies to the betting desire, Mr. Snowden suggested that in the day schools the children should be warned against betting and gambling as they were against intemperance, and the condition of working people might be improved so as to bring more joy to their lives, more opportunity for recreation, and the chance to satisfy in a proper way the natural love for excitement.

ALL-STAR VARIETY



ANNA HELD
At the Victoria Theatre this evening and twice to-morrow.

Anna Held, one of the best known actresses of to-day, will make an appearance on the boards of the Victoria theatre this evening, on Saturday at a matinee as well as an evening performance. "Francis and Florettea," two famous eastern dancers, are also featured in the all-star variety jubilee in which Anna Held makes her appearance. Other numbers on the bill are of a particularly high class quality, and ought to make one of the greatest attractions of the local theatrical season.

A Lesson In Economy

To every man that comes in our store we can prove that our bargains are real. The regular prices are sewn in the pocket—those are the same figures at which these Suits were sold ever since this store was opened. Nothing fictitious about the Suits either, everyone a **REAL SEMI-READY SUIT**, the kind on which this store for men has built up a profitable business.

No need to thrust any more upon you to-day. We will just place three specials before you for your calm consideration to-night, secure in the knowledge that to-morrow will bring several new customers.

SEMI-READY SPECIALS

\$18 and \$22.50
Suits at
Huge Reductions

To clear a broken line of one of the most popular selections we have ever had in stock, we are going to disregard profit entirely and place on the market to-morrow, this excellent line of latest brown shades at

\$12 and \$13.50

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Semi-Ready Suits

The very best Suit that the money can buy—impossible to produce their superior. Every piece of cloth carefully selected from the largest mills in England. The workmanship—every garment is made as only the Semi-ready tailors can make them. Sale prices

\$15.50 \$18.75

Heavy Blue
Chinchilla Overcoats

We believe that when you see this coat, you will say it is the biggest bargain ever offered by any one at any time. The warm flannel lining makes you safely secure from the inclement weather that sometimes visits us. These Coats were sold all Fall at \$25, but we are going to get rid of them at

\$14.50

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The Only Place in Victoria Where Semi-ready Tailoring Can Be Bought.

DROP IN SHOE PRICES

SHOES BOUGHT AT 50c ON THE \$

To-morrow (Saturday) We Propose to Sell the Balance of a Big Shipment of NEW WINTER SHOES Bought at 50c on the \$—At This GREAT PRICE REDUCTION SALE We Will Share the Profits With You.

\$6 American \$3.75

"A line of Men's Gunmetal Boots in lace or button; new lasts; in tan or black. Price, per pair

\$3.75

Men's Best English Make Water Tight Boots

Made in English chrome calf. Reg. \$6.50. Price, per pair

\$3.85

Men's \$4 Boot \$1.95

Men's strong Working Boots, noted \$4.00 values for

\$1.95



Children's \$1.00 Shoes, 50¢

Ladies' Prunella Slippers, \$1.25 values for 50¢



Ladies' \$2.00 Warm Felt Julietts, \$1.25

Ladies' Gun-Metal Lace and Button Boots, \$3.50 values for \$1.95

Boys' High Cut School Shoes, \$4.00 values for \$2.75

Children's Felt Slippers, 60c values for 35¢



One Hour Sale

From 10 o'clock to 11 a.m.

We will sell one hundred pairs Ladies' Boots in patent colt, vici kid, in button and lace; sizes 2 to 4; values \$4.00 to \$5.50, for one hour. Per pair

85c

The Place for Reliable Footwear at Rock-Bottom Prices



Ladies' Tan Calf



Or Patent Colt High Cut, Button or Lace Boot. Very stylish for winter wear; \$5.00 and \$6.00 values for

\$2.50

Misses' Box Calf Boots

Double soles; good value at \$2.00. Price, per pair

\$1.25

Call and see our Sale stock. Fifty bins and baskets loaded down with the greatest Shoe Bargains ever seen in the city. Look at the bargains in our windows. For reliable footwear we are never undersold.

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We Want a \$3,000 Day on Saturday

WE MUST VACATE THE SECOND FLOOR DEC. 24

Bear in mind that on all the things you want to buy for Christmas, such as Silk Neckscarves, Collar Boxes, Umbrellas, etc., you get Gigantic Moving Sale reductions.

The Christmas rush is on. Only ten shopping days remain. After the first of the year we remove from our present quarters and have 200 Overcoats yet to be sold, besides 275 Boys' Suits, Dress Suits, Tuxedo Coats and Suits, English Rugs and Furs on the second floor. Besides this, there is the immense quantity of Men's Suits, Hats and Furnishings on the main floor to be reduced to moving size. Men! Read these items for Saturday. The inducements are strong enough to even double the receipts we now anticipate.

Select your winter Underwear here and give yourself the benefit of Gigantic Moving Sale prices on garments of standard make, two-piece suits and combinations.

MEN! READ THESE ITEMS FOR SATURDAY

A Chesterfield Overcoat

At \$18.75 Saturday

Grey Llama Chesterfield Coats with the best quality silk lining; also three-quarter and full-length Ulster Overcoats in handsome tweeds with regular lapels or shawl collars. Regular values \$25 and \$27.50. Saturday

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A High Grade Suit

At \$19.50 Saturday

The biggest snap offered since our Gigantic Moving sale started. "Proper Clothes" and "Stein-Bloch Suits" at \$32.50 and \$30.00, and "Proper Clothes" rough blue serges are included in this offer regardless of cost. Get one on Saturday at

19⁵⁰

A Smart Business Suit

At \$12.50 Saturday

English and Scotch tweeds, some in plain shades with diagonal patterns in the three-button models with fairly high cut vest. Magnificent values at regular prices but we must reduce our stock. Values at \$20. Clearance price, Saturday, at

12⁵⁰

A Serviceable Overcoat

At \$13.50 Saturday

Fine appearing tweeds, strongly made, in sizes to 44 in.; also 6 Priestley's cravenetted Raincoats and 8 black cheviot Chesterfields—these last in the larger sizes only. Regular values at \$20.00. Saturday

13⁵⁰

Trousers

100 pairs odd pants in tweeds, worsteds and serges. Make your choice of pants to match your suit or heavy working trousers. Originally strong values to \$7.50 from \$2.00, with the price marked on the ticket.

Saturday Less 30%

A Nicholson's Rainproofed Tweed Coat or a Leishman Overcoat, Saturday, \$21.75

Two of the finest Overcoats made—Nicholson's in the light-weight but thick and warm tweeds; Leishman's in the close fitting Prussian collar style, lined through or plaid lined. Regular \$35.00 and \$30.00 Overcoats to be Cleared Saturday at \$21.75

Neckwear

Imported Neckwear in fancy Christmas styles, pure English silks and American novelties.

\$2.00 values for \$1.35
 \$1.50 values for 95¢
 \$1.00 values for 65¢
 75c values for 50¢

All-wool Rugs

English and Irish Reversible Rugs, plaid designs or plain one side and plain the other. \$13.50, \$10 and \$7.50 values at Gigantic Moving Sale prices, \$8.95, \$6.75, \$4.95

Better qualities, including the soft velours; \$22.50 and \$18.00 values. Gigantic Moving Sale prices \$13.25, \$11.50

Any Boys' Suit Half-price

Saturday is to be a record day in the Boys' Department. Think of buying an A. No. 1 quality fine blue serge or rough Irish serge or English worsted suits in the same quality fabrics we put into the men's garments, at the price of a low-grade suit. Tailored in the highest style, correct to the smallest detail, in Norfolk and double-breasted or two-button models, with the wide, comfortable bloomer trousers. These are the Suits that have established our reputation for the highest grade Boys' Clothing obtainable in the city—a reputation established in a very short time. Suits left range in price up to \$20 from \$6.50, with the prices marked on the tickets in plain figures. Fit your boy on Saturday at

Xmas Shirts

Four strong values at Gigantic Moving Sale reductions that will make the choosing of a special set of new shirts for Christmas festivities as easy as taking candy from the baby.

\$5.00 values for \$3.50
 \$3.00 values for \$1.95
 \$2.25 values for \$1.50
 \$1.50 values for \$1.00

A Novel Hat Day

Any Hat in the house (outside of John B. Stetson's, which we are not permitted to cut), soft and stiff felts, Imperial, Mallory, Kenmore, Mozart, Fitwell, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00 values, and our entire stock of Austrian velours. Regular \$6. To clear on Saturday at

EXACTLY HALF-PRICE

Extra Hat salesmen will be engaged to assist your selections.

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FIND THAT CLERK ACCEPTED THE FORMS

Householder Declarations Were Taken in Conservative Rooms by Subordinate Official

That declaration forms of householders, in order to exercise the municipal franchise, were signed in the offices of W. H. Price, secretary of the Conservative Association, without Mr. Price being present, and by a young clerk, was the sworn evidence of several witnesses before the civic court at revision this morning.

The court had met again under Mayor Morley's presidency to go into the list of names of household claimants who had not paid the road tax until after the expiry of the statutory date, and thereby had made a mistake in declaring taxes paid which were not at that time.

These witnesses stated that they called at the Conservative offices, were merely asked if they were British subjects, and some signed the forms which were handed to them by a clerk. One of the witnesses, Mr. Graham, said he asked the clerk if he was a notary public, while his friend laughed at the idea, but got an answer in the affirmative.

One claimant asked why he was not informed that there were separate forms for trades license holders and for road taxes?

The mayor said: "A man who takes an affidavit is supposed to know his business."

His Worship, after hearing further evidence, remarked that the party workers seemed only anxious to get the names on, and not to care about anything else.

The court decided to take the names of the witnesses, with a view to seeing if further steps in the matter could be taken.

In several cases where men had paid their tax in neighboring municipalities, and then secured a refund in the city after the requisite date, the names were ordered to be stricken off the register, although it was represented from Esquimalt municipal circles that some arrangement should be made to interchange names in this way.

The mayor said no power existed by statute to allow this course to be adopted.

STOLE TO BUY FOOD.
Excuse Offered by Young Man for Breaking into Warehouse by Night and Stealing.

Claiming that he had broken into a warehouse to get something which he could sell and get money to buy food, was the plea which Archie C. Jackson made to the police magistrate this morning.

He was accused of breaking into the

warehouse of Chin Kee, at 2015 Quadra street, some time on Tuesday night last, and taking from it some boxes of Japanese oranges. To this he pleaded guilty and agreed to the disposition of the case by the magistrate.

Jackson said he had tried to get work here without success until Wednesday last. He had made application at the mayor's office twice, but found that they were employing only married men. He had gone over to Seattle for a couple of days and got a day's work there but had had his clothes and blankets stolen.

The case was remanded until tomorrow morning for sentence.

OUR 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 names and addresses of every writer of such letters must be given to the editor.

THE PITH OF THE MATTER.

To the Editor.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier when speaking at Montreal on Tuesday night of the high cost of living, etc., came at the pith of the trouble when he said the "combine are able to fix the price of the producer, and then fix it to the consumer, giving as little as they can to the producer, and charging as much as they can to the consumer." But the morning paper in its bitter diatribe on Sir Wilfrid's straightforward speech carefully avoids taking exception or in any way referring to his perfect piths, in few words, of the whole difficulty. J. P.

THE MAYOR'S SALARY.

To the Editor: It appears that ex-Mayor Beckwith and Mayor Morley have been drawing respectively \$4,000 a year as salary when the by-law defining the mayor's salary puts the amount at \$2,000 a year. I believe that the great majority of Victoria's citizens were not aware that these gentlemen were drawing more than \$2,000.

The citizens look to the aldermen with the mayor to see that the city's business is carried on in a legal manner and there are obligations put upon these gentlemen personally to rectify irregular transactions. It is to the credit of our mayor and aldermen in the past that when anything irregular has been called to their attention they immediately adjust matters. It has been suggested that the council amend or alter the by-law so as to comply with their action.

I do not think that either of these gentlemen, Mr. Beckwith or Mr. Morley, would wish the council to do anything like this, especially while the finances are in their present condition and so many men idle and in actual need of work and the council are aware that any by-law they might alter or amend would be effective only from the date such altered by-law came into

effect. Many believe that when the legislature allowed Victoria to increase the maximum amount that might be paid the mayor that the maximum would be reached gradually. However, the citizens expect that the mayor and council will deal with this matter in the proper manner.

TAXPAYER.

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING.

To the Editor.—In view of the theory that has been promulgated attributing the increased cost of living to the increasing gold production of the world, it may be of interest to economists who scan the columns of the Times to read the following expression of opinion on the subject by Prof. David Starr Jordan:

"What shall we say of the theory that prices rise steadily because too much gold is produced to meet the needs of business? And what of the plan steadily to increase the size of each gold coin that its value may keep pace with the rise in cost of living?"

"We shall say that there is no such redundancy of gold. The idea that the commonness of gold the world over is the cause of rising prices finds little favor among bankers. It is indeed a patent fact that there is no such surplus of precious metal as to cheapen its actual or relative value. The business world is suffering from a scarcity of gold which goes with excessive borrowing and excessive taxation. Both of these conditions are due in part to the rush toward the cities and toward urban industries, but chiefly to the demands of actual war in the Balkans and threatened war elsewhere in Europe; and to frustrate war as shown in the relations of Germany, France and England. But other causes co-operate to make gold scarce while prices still rise. For example, the savings of four hundred millions of Hindus are represented by British coin. In default of banks, most of these savings are buried in the ground. It is estimated that in Asia as much gold is returned to the ground each year as is taken from the mines of the world.

"Besides all this, millions of men are withdrawn by conscription and enlistment from productive service to become tax-eaters on an enormous scale. The capital of the world is largely spent in waste, and this to a degree which is growing so rapidly as to ex-

cite alarm among all financiers who look more than ten years into the future.

"The remedy, then, is not larger coins, nor a higher charge for seigniorage, but less waste. There is not gold enough to go around in the business of the world. There is not enough of food or useful things produced. Too many men are working at useless things, and the working and business world have too many soldiers, protecting the men who work, when the only protection the workmen of the world need is defence from the necessity of fearing soldiers or of being soldiers." G. H. W.

BEGGED FROM POLICE CHIEF.

Robert Fenn Accosted Him Twice and Had Some Drinks in Between Times

Robert Fenn made one of the mistakes of his life when he accosted Chief Langley on Douglas street twice running last evening, and another when he partook of liquid refreshment in-between.

Fenn was charged this morning with being a vagrant and pleaded that he was not guilty. This made it necessary for the chief to tell what he had observed about the man.

About 6 o'clock last evening, Chief Langley said, he was approached on Douglas street by Fenn, who produced a ten-cent piece, with the formula: "This is all I have, partner, and if I had fifteen cents more I could get a bed." Two hours later he saw the man accost several people on the street, evidently with the same story, and he put himself in the way. Fenn again asked him for fifteen cents, but it was plain that since his first appeal he had had a few drinks.

Magistrate Jay commented upon the conduct of a man who would beg for the purpose of getting money to satisfy his craving for drink, and sent Fenn to jail for two months at hard labor.

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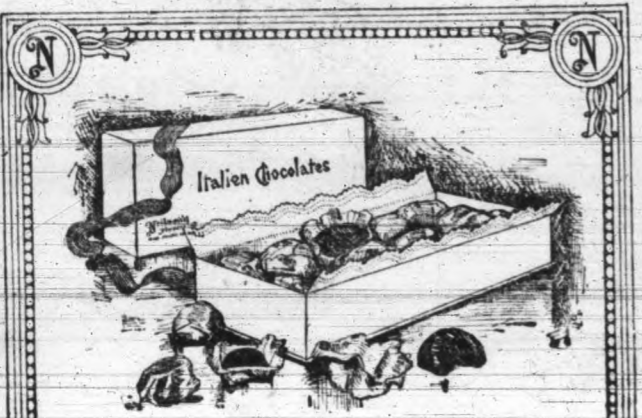
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Victorians Bound for Old Country to Spend Christmas



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BELIEVE CONFESSION OF MURDER WAS MADE

Unexpected Turn in Trial of Van Horst for Burglary Upsets Plans of Defence

There is a possibility that the murder of Y. Ogawa, a Japanese fisherman of Steveston, may be fixed on one of the two suspects, a pair of burglars who fled to this city from Vancouver. There is a chain of circumstantial evidence in the case, but the body has not been found and it is very doubtful if any conviction would be justified as matters stood up to a day or two ago. But in the confession which the police say they are in possession of from one of the men, it seems likely that the other can be convicted.

When George F. Van Horst, alias Frank Holland, was arraigned in the Vancouver police court on charges of burglary he was in excellent humor, as there would be some difficulty in connecting him with the offences. His companion, John Lester, was in a different case, as he was found in this city in the act of trying to sell some of the goods, and others were found in his room at the Western hotel. But when Lester went in the witness box and began to give evidence against his associate in crime and former fellow-convict in Walla Walla penitentiary, there was a change in Van Horst's demeanor and he ripped out a string of oaths that could be plainly heard in the court-room.

Lester had got as far as Steveston in his tale when he was stopped by the prosecutor, but it was quite evident that the story of his confession to the police is correct, and that the balance of the account of what occurred during the flight from Vancouver is being reserved until Van Horst is brought up for a preliminary hearing on a murder charge.

The two men were wanted in Vancouver for a series of shop breakings and burglaries committed about Thanksgiving time, and as the chase got too hot for their comfort, they decided to come over to Vancouver Island. They arranged with a man named Smith, according to Lester's story so far as it has been told, to take them across to Nanaimo in his sail-boat. The bargain was that he was to get any money, but was to be paid in drinks. The stolen goods were placed in the boat and a start was made. The wind failed and the party was forced to land on the sand-banks at the mouth of the Fraser. There the Japanese was found, and the fleeing men bargained with him to take them across in his launch for fifty dollars.

The last seen of Ogawa was when he shoved the launch off and headed it for Victoria. The next known of Lester and Van Horst is that they landed alone at Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, with the launch, after it was beached there and the men came on from that point on the 10th. A few days later, when suspicion began to be aroused by the arrest of Lester here and the flight of Van Horst, and by the non-return of the Japanese to his home near Steveston, an examination was made of the launch. It was found that there were two bullet marks on the side of the craft, that several blood-stains were on the bottom and sides, and that one of the bags of ballast was missing. Without the confession of one or other of the men, however, it was felt by the police that it would be impossible to secure a conviction against either of them, assuming that they are guilty. With the decision of Lester to turn King's evidence, a new face is put on the case.

Elmer Jones and George E. Powell, two able criminal lawyers, had been retained by Van Horst for his defence in the burglary charges. As soon as they saw how the land lay through the apparent confession of Lester they reserved the defence.

A good story of a provincial mayor was told by a lecturer last night.

The mayor, when travelling, left a newspaper in the corner of a railway carriage and went to the bookstall.

Upon returning he found a woman had taken his seat. She immediately arose and apologizing said, "I won't deprive you of your seat." "Oh, no depravity, madam," he answered, "no depravity."

DAYLIGHT SAVING PROJECT ENDORSED

Board of Trade Hears Major Hart McHarg on Subject of Proposed Bill

Speaking on the Daylight Saving bill to the members of the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon, Major Hart McHarg, of Vancouver, advocated the advancement of the clock one hour in British Columbia as the standard time. The scheme would begin operation in April of each year. There would be seven hours a week extra of daylight, or 120 during the season. In British Columbia, on the coast at any rate, standard time was 13 minutes wrong, and standard and solar time only agreed on the 120th meridian, east of Kamloops. He alluded to the growth of the movement in Great Britain, and did not think anything could be done where it could be made more beneficial than in the Coast cities of British Columbia.

J. H. McGregor proposed, and R. L. Drury seconded a motion in favor of the movement, but E. A. Pauline did not think it would be wise to endorse the proposal too hurriedly. Mr. Pauline did not think anything could be done except by legislative authority.

E. A. Wallace, as a nurseman, asked what effect it would have as nurseries were regulated by the movement of the sun in summer? It was not possible to answer this query, and the board then carried the resolution endorsing the principle unanimously.

ACTION IS DISMISSED

Court Finds No Proof of Negligence on Part of Street Railway Company.

The action of Lindsay v. B. C. Electric Railway Company was concluded yesterday afternoon before Mr. Justice Gregory in the Supreme court. For the company, the motorman and conductor of the car which struck the buggy in which Walter Lindsay and his family were driving were heard. They stated that at the time the car was going over five miles an hour, that all the usual precautions for the safety of traffic were taken, and that the buggy swerved on to the track suddenly and without notice just ahead of the car.

H. B. Robertson, for the company, held that there was no proof that the employees of the company had been negligent in any way, and that the accident was caused by the plaintiff, argued that there had been plain negligence in that no warning gong had been sounded, and the plaintiff, who was quite within his rights in driving where he did, especially to avoid the crowd that was standing on the roadway watching the cricket match in the Jubilee hospital grounds, had no notification that a car was approaching him from behind.

His lordship dismissed the case, holding that there was no proof of any negligence on the part of the company or its servants.

TAKES OPTIMISTIC VIEW OF SITUATION

President of Board of Trade Says Victoria Has Passed Through Stringency Well

In a speech to the members of the board of trade yesterday, which was couched in an optimistic tone, President J. J. Shallcross reviewed the financial history of the year, and pointed out that Canada had passed through a crisis which, in another country would have become a panic. However there had been no panic, and all whose businesses had been framed on satisfactory lines had found no difficulty in making the necessary arrangements to carry themselves over. The president alluded to the necessity of increasing the exports, in order to meet the balance of trade.

Turning to the local situation, from exhaustive inquiries he had made, he learned that the deposits of the public were well maintained, and there was an increase of the funds available for investment in mortgages. He was also told that the bills which came due this month have been well met, and there was not one single bill unpaid. He was further informed that the majority of the commercial and industrial concerns were not using all their credit. The wholesale and retail traders also made favorable reports, but the retailers were buying wisely from hand to mouth in order not to be overstocked. The interest on loans had fallen to 7 per cent, while only a few months ago men with ample collateral security were glad to pay 15 or 20 per cent, for ready cash.

Mr. Shallcross further stated that the post office returns were well maintained, and the money orders issued to places outside were equal to those of last year. There was a 10 per cent increase in the meters installed by the B. C. Electric railway light department, and so far as the city tax collectors were concerned, 90 per cent had been paid this year within the period of rebate as compared with 94 per cent last year. The total credits of the city, including sinking funds, exceeded the total liabilities by \$445,000. He hoped that the owners pressing the Pandora street improvement would go away till the city was in a better position financially to handle it.

Mr. Shallcross referred to the surplus population now unemployed through the curtailment of public works to a large extent, and he hoped to see it absorbed in land clearing works. Hopeful signs for the improvement of conditions included the removal of lumber from taxation in the United States, and the state of the fish trade. He thought they might look forward to a period of steady growth in every direction, with confidence of turning the year without discouragement.

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MEETS OFFICIALS ON BRIDGE QUESTION

Mayor Will Suggest By-law to Acquire Leech River Watershed Immediately

City officials had a conference this morning with Robert Marpole, executive agent of the Canadian Pacific railway, who was accompanied by Superintendent H. E. Beasley, in connection with the dual approach to the proposed Johnson street bridge...

This, however, is subject to the balance of the contract, that to acquire the Sooke watershed being made effective within 30 days after the election...

Another by-law which will also stand in the name of the mayor on the agenda paper is a procedure regulation by-law for civic works, in order to give effect to the operations of the budget system in some of its phases.

Tenders are invited, to be in by Monday week, for the reinforced concrete pipe required for the northwest sewer, representing about two miles of this character of pipe...

MILITIA APPEAL IS DISMISSED BY JUDGE

W. E. C. Pope, Board Secretary, Held Not Guilty of the Charge Against Him

The militia authorities have been no more successful before the county court judge than they were before a magistrate in the attempt to have W. E. C. Pope, secretary of the school board, punished for the alleged dissuading of W. J. Wilby from performing his military duties in the strike district.

It was claimed that by telegrams received by Lieut.-Col. Hall and Mr. Wilby, who is a teacher in the Boys' Central school, and first assistant there, the latter was dissuaded from continuance in the performance of his duties "at the front."

The case was heard by way of a rehearing on appeal from the police court hearing, Captain R. V. Harvey being the complainant, and Judge Lampman this morning delivered his judgment in the following terms:

This is an appeal from the decision of William Dalby, Justice of the peace, dismissing an information charging the respondent with dissuading W. J. Wilby from the performance of his military duty.

Section 126 of the Militia Act, R. S. Canada, c. 41, enacts that "every person who (d) dissuades any man enlisted or liable to military service from the performance of any duty he is required by law or regulation to perform shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$100."

On 26th August last, the Victoria school board, of which the respondent then was and is now secretary, passed the following resolution:

"It was moved by Trustee Dr. Donald, seconded by Trustee Mrs. Jenkins, that a telegram be sent to Lieut.-Col. Hall and another to Mr. W. J. Wilby, in care of Lieut.-Col. Hall, to the effect that, if Mr. Wilby does not return to work on Thursday morning next, the board will not hold his position as first assistant open any longer, and he will have to take a less important post on his return. Carried."

The respondent thereupon sent to Mr. Wilby, a lieutenant in the care of guides serving in Nanaimo, the following telegram:

"At a meeting of the school board held to-day, I was instructed to advise you that if you do not return to duty here by Thursday morning next, the board will appoint a first assistant in the Boys' Central school, and that on your return to duty you will have to take a less important post."

Under these circumstances it is contended that the respondent was guilty and liable to the penalty mentioned in section 126 of the Militia Act. It is one of the principles of criminal law that when a person employed as an instrument is aware of the nature and content of his act he is guilty of the offence as a principal, and so is the person who employs him. The respondent Pope was only the agent or official

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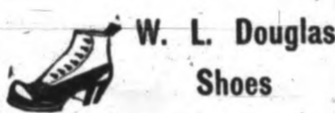
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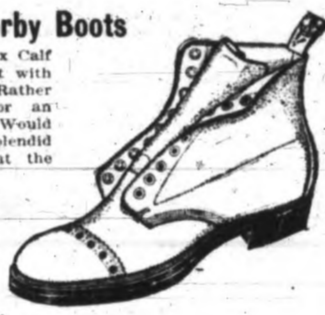
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of the trustees, and whether the principle I have mentioned applies in this case is the point I have to decide. If A employs B to assault C, B is guilty if he commits the assault, but a mere statement of the case shows there is a wide distinction between B's act and the respondent's act. Suppose, for instance, a close personal friend of Mr. Wilby had been present at the meeting, and had heard the board's resolution, it is quite likely he would have communicated the fact of the resolution having been passed to Mr. Wilby. If he did, it is not arguable that he would be guilty of dissuading within the meaning of the act, and yet his action differs in only one respect from that of the respondent--he was a volunteer, and the respondent was simply carrying out the orders of his employers.

"Then, too, if the respondent is guilty, why not also the telegraph operator, who sent the message? Under the particular circumstances of this case I do not think the respondent can be held guilty of the offence charged, and consequently the appeal must be dismissed. I have dealt with the question as though it had been established that the respondent sent the telegram, a point on which I have considerable doubt. Bank of England notes cost exactly one half-penny each.

WALKED ON THE WATER. Vancouver Has a Vagrant Who Claims to Have Got There From Victoria on Foot. Walking from Victoria to Vancouver is the feat which was claimed by Steve Turner when he was brought before Magistrate South in the Vancouver police court yesterday. Steve is a valuable person and told a wonderful story to the constable who arrested him on the streets as a vagrant. He was as talkative when he came before the magistrate, who could hardly get a chance to tell him that he was sentenced to two months at hard labor as a reward for his unusual athletic feat. It is computed that a day of severe fog in London costs the inhabitants \$5,000 for gas.

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TO-DAY IN CANADIAN HISTORY

It is interesting and significant of the justice of many of Papineau's demands that in the early years, before he advocated rebellion, he had the support of several highly-respected English-speaking citizens of Lower Canada. Conspicuously amongst these was John I. Neilson, the generous-minded Scotchman, proprietor of the Quebec Gazette, who in and out of parliament made common cause with the French-Canadians in the struggle for the political recognition that they held to be their due. He endeavored to calm the passions of the fierce patriots, and did not follow Papineau into revolt; but in 1832, when the project of a union of Upper and Lower Canada on terms very repugnant to the majority of the population of the

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latter province was being discussed in the British House of Commons, Neilson labored earnestly to defeat it. Writing on this day—December 12—ninety-one years ago, he characterized the proposal as "injustice planned against us by a handful of intrigants who want to sacrifice to their own ambition the happiness of the Canadian people;" and suggested that the British merchants of Quebec and Montreal, who pressed for the change, were actuated by self-interest and "unreasonable prejudice against our most cherished institutions."

One of the most pathetic and melancholy incidents in Canadian history was the sudden death, nineteen years ago to-day, of Sir John A. Thompson, which occurred at Windsor Castle almost immediately after the eminent Canadian statesman and jurist had left the presence of his revered Queen. On the day of his death Sir John was sworn in as a member of the Imperial Privy Council, and then paid his respects to Victoria. His heart, gladdened by the gracious words of the Queen he had served so well, beat high with elation for a few minutes, and was then still forever. The premier had worn himself out by unceasing toil, and in the autumn of 1894 he sailed away for a needed rest. His brief holiday extended to Italy and England, and it was confidently believed at home that Sir John would return to his duties refreshed and rejuvenated in body and mind. The tragic suddenness of his death shocked Canadians to the uttermost, and political friend and foe vied

with each other in paying tributes of respect to the dead statesman. After solemn services in England, the body was placed on board the warship Blenheim, commanded by Capt. (afterward Admiral) Kingsmill, a Canadian-born officer of Her Majesty's navy. All Canada mourned when the remains, in a majestic casket draped with the Union Jack, were borne ashore at Halifax, where the body was buried. Halifax was the native city of Sir John, and it was in the Nova Scotia city that he began his public career as reporter, lawyer, provincial attorney-general, Conservative leader and judge of the supreme court. He entered national politics in 1855 as minister of justice.

December 12 is the birthday of the seventh Earl of Lanesborough, known in Canada as the military secretary to Earl Grey, the governor-general, 1852. On this date in 1577 Francis Drake set sail on his voyage round the world, during which he visited the Pacific coast of the Canada of the future in an endeavor to discover a passage to the Atlantic.

FIRST THINGS

The first extended dictionary of the English language was published in 1755, and represented the monumental labor of Samuel Johnson, who died 129 years ago to-day, December 12, 1784. His dictionary, which occupied many years of his life, was perhaps the most remarkable work of its kind ever pro-

duced by a single person. Noah Webster's American dictionary was first published in 1828, and Worcester's English dictionary appeared in 1860. The first dictionary compiler was Pa-tou-she, a Chinese scholar, who lived about 1100 B. C., and who perfected a standard dictionary of the Chinese language containing about 40,000 characters, most of them hieroglyphics. About a century B. C., Yarrs compiled a Latin dictionary. Julius Pollux completed a collection of Greek vocabularies about 177 A. D. A polyglot dictionary in eight languages was compiled about 1500 by Calepini, a Venetian friar. Vaugelas edited the first French dictionary, published by the French Academy in 1694. A Spanish dictionary was published in 1726, an Italian in 1729, and a Russian dictionary in 1739.

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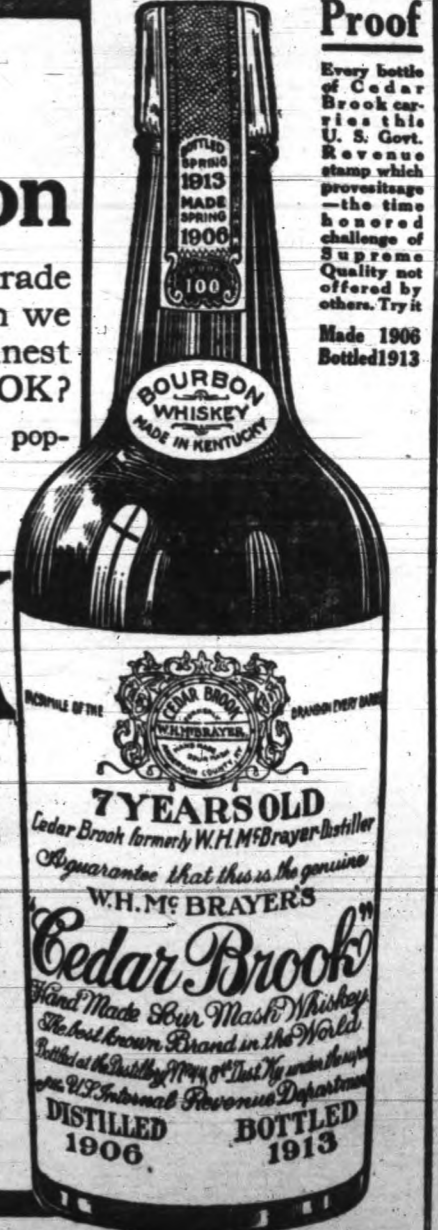
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MEETINGS

Scandinavian Brotherhood Dance.—The Scandinavian Brotherhood will hold their regular dance on Saturday evening at 402 Wilson street, Victoria West.

Baptist Ladies' Aid.—The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist church will meet on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. B. Warnick, 528 Harbinger avenue.

L. O. L. 2374.—The annual meeting of Sir George White, L. O. L. 2374 will take place to-night at the Foresters' hall, when the election of officers and other business will take place. A full attendance is wished.

Rowland's Concert.—The regular Sunday evening concert, under the auspices of Rowland's band, will take place as usual at 8.45 on Sunday next. The programme will include solos by Miss Jeannette Andrews, soprano, and Prof. E. Claudio, violinist.

Scandinavian Mission.—The Scandinavian Canadian Mission hold services regularly every Sunday evening at 7.30 in the Baptist church at the corner of Yates and Quadra streets. Rev. Mr. Steele will preach from the parable of the Sower next Sunday evening. All Scandinavians will be welcomed.

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THE COMPANIONS OF THE FOREST will hold their annual meeting on Dec. 18 in the Foresters' Hall, Broad street, when a social and dance will be given. Gent's free. 412

MOTOR TRUCK, five-ton Allen, with dump body, used short time only, \$4,750; cost \$7,000. E. J. Cameron, 1912 Yates street. 412

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FOUND—At Moore's Hall, Douglas street, after Yorkshire social Wednesday, pair spectacles in case. Call for same at Times Office. 413

ANNEXATION.

CANADIAN HOME INVESTMENT company wanted, R. K. Park, Carter Cotton Bldg., Vancouver, B. C. 412

DIED.

COWPER—At Boyd street, this morning, H. M. Cowper, aged 84, a native of Wainwright, Northamptonshire.

VANTREIGHT—On the 10th inst., at the residence, 132 Ivy street, Gerald Hugh Vantreight, aged 26 years 5 months and 22 days, the third son of the late John Vantreight, Esq., and Mrs. Vantreight, of Gordon Head. The deceased was native born and married to a native girl, besides his mother, four sisters, Miss Edith Evelyn and Mrs. H. W. Vantreight, and three brothers, Gustave, Sidney and Edgar, all residing in this city.

The funeral will take place on Monday, December 15, at 2.30 o'clock, from the above residence, and at 3 o'clock services will be held at the St. Luke's church, Cedar Hill, Interment, St. Luke's cemetery. The funeral is being arranged by Sands' Funeral Furnishing Co., Ltd.

LOCAL NEWS

School Board.—Preparations are already in hand for the closing exercises at the various schools, which will take place next Friday, prior to the Christmas holidays. Several schools are preparing for celebration of the festive season's advent.

Building Permits.—Building permits have been issued to Alexander Christolm for additions to a dwelling on McNair street, costing \$1,000; to D. C. McKinnon for a temporary dwelling at 3158 Grahame street; and to Miss E. B. Butler for a residence at 151 Howe street, costing \$2,200. The total permits for 1913 to date are about \$3,729,000, or a quarter of a million less than the total of 1911.

Bollermakers' Work.—In view of the early commencement by the city of work on the riveted steel pipe, the Bollermakers' Union Intended, to draw the attention of the city council to the large number of their members who are out of work, and to ask for consideration on their behalf when the contract is commenced. Many of the men are expert mechanics, and most of them taxpayers of the city.

Will Ask for Further Time.—It is understood that on account of the desire to open the new opera house on December 23, there will not be time for the sprinkling system to be installed in the way that the building by-law requires, and further time is to be asked in order to have the system installed as a protection to the stage.

English Mail Arrives.—A big English mail arrived this morning at the Victoria post office, this including between 250 and 300 bags of papers, letters, etc., and 1,800 parcel post packages. This, however, does not represent the Christmas mail proper, although it throws a considerable amount of extra work on the staff of sorting-clerks and carriers. The stamp sales continue to grow, and all other departments of the post office are very busy. Another parcel post leaves to-night for England, the mail closing at 6 o'clock.

The Country Club.

The Victoria Country Club, Limited, have decided that on and after January 1 all their shares will be raised to \$150. They are now \$100. The club grounds at Sidney are being laid out for tennis (two courts), croquet, miniature golf links (nine holes), and outside Badminton; and the plans include a landing stage and boathouse on the water front, miniature rifle range, and clay pigeon traps. The interior of the clubhouse is being renovated throughout, and a first class English billiard table is being installed. Dining, reception, and ladies' retiring rooms are being furnished, and in brief, it is intended to make the club in every way attractive to members and their friends.

Victoria Club Annual Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the Victoria Club, Campbell Building, which was held yesterday afternoon, W. J. Roper was unanimously re-elected president for the ensuing year. The other officers elected were as follows: Mrs. Golby, first vice-president; Mrs. Fred Pemberton, second vice-president; Mrs. England, honorary secretary; Mrs. Gordon Grant, honorary treasurer; Committee, Miss Oldfield, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. Burge, Miss Gatenby, Mrs. Baer, Mrs. Gillson and Mrs. Cavanaugh. The annual report was read and testified to most satisfactory progress in every department of the club, financially and otherwise.

Provincial President Speaks.

At the regular meeting of the Central Union of the W. C. T. U. yesterday, at the Y. W. C. A. rest rooms, the president, Mrs. Norman, in the chair, the principal feature of the proceedings was the talk given by the provincial president, Mrs. Spofford, on the work which is being planned in connection with the movement at the present time. She called attention to the need of assisting with the lifting of the mortgage on the W. C. T. U. home, and the plans which had been discussed for raising money for this purpose. Another feature which she emphasized was in connection with the work among the young people; auxiliary leagues were, she said, being organized in the Sunday schools for the purpose of working with the W. C. T. U., and furthering the good work.

"THE GOOD FELLOWS" HAVE COME TO TOWN

Self-Appointed Santa Clauses Are Looking for Work

What "The Good Fellows" have thought out as a means of entertaining the folks whom Santa Claus has a habit of forgetting at Christmas, would make a whole volume of interesting stories. They are here in Victoria already, and are just longing to hear of some little boy or girl whose Christmas does not promise to be all that the honored occasion should be. In fact, so anxious are they to hear about such small people—or, for that matter, their big papers and magazines—that they have really left their address with the Friendly Help Society so that anyone who wants to find out more about them may do so.

That, of course, is not all. Every "Good Fellow" is just as anxious as the other fellow who would like to join them in making someone happy on the festive day, and there is already a very strong suspicion abroad that they are just a lot of Santa Clauses by themselves, who have got rather disgusted with the way in which the old Santa Claus has been treated and the pack on his back neglected some very nice children from time to time. Besides, the new Santa Clauses very often use a motor car, and they are a lot quicker about their work, and don't mind being seen quite so much as that stealthy old chap who refuses to come into anyone's house by any other entrance than the chimney.

These new Santa Clauses made their appearance in Chicago about four years ago, and it was perfectly wonderful what a lot of families they made happy. They always seemed to come just in the nick of time, when father and mother were lamenting that there was no turkey or cranberry sauce for dinner on Christmas day, or when the shoes and stockings were in such a dilapidated state that they had to be the very first consideration or the little toes that should be inside would be sticking out into the cold, cold Chicago air. In Victoria it is never quite so cold, fortunately, but there are lots of other things that, some little folks over here would like to have. And it is the ambition of these "Good Fellows" to find out just exactly what, as far as lies in their power, there will not be a single home unvisited by Santa Claus on Christmas morning.

Some of them—and it is hoped that any one who has Santa Claus will send in his name at once to the address given—enjoy the game so much that they actually (in Chicago, anyway) spend the day with the families that they go to visit, and sit down with father and mother and the youngsters to enjoy the goose or turkey or whatever it is that they have brought along with them. And such revels as follow! They never fail to take a box of toys, and there never were such gay fellows at a game as these self-appointed Santa Clauses. It doesn't matter whether a "Good Fellow" is visiting a little Chinese boy, a family of colored folk, or the "hardest up" of the hard up; he is always just the most genial of souls, and anyone who knows a box of toys, expects to have one, is invited to send along the names and addresses quickly, so that one of the "Good Fellows" can look into the matter, and see that some other "Good Fellow" takes up the role which the proper old Santa has neglected in the stress of his duties at this very busy time.

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A quiet wedding was celebrated at the home of J. F. MacLachlan.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at the home of J. F. MacLachlan, 72 Moss street, at 2 o'clock on Wednesday, when, in the presence of a few friends of the happy pair, Miss Bertha MacLachlan and William Heron were united in marriage by Rev. H. Walker. After the ceremony the guests partook of a wedding-breakfast, leaving later by the 4.30 boat for Seattle, Los Angeles, and other southern cities en route for Toronto, where they will spend their honeymoon. Among the many beautiful wedding presents received by the lucky couple was a cabinet set silver from the bridegroom's father in Toronto.

PHYSICIAN VISITED BY SCHMIDT AND COMPANION.

Alienists to Testify in Murder Case Now Going on in New York City.

New York, Dec. 12.—Before hearing the state's alienists who were expected to testify in the trial of Hans Schmidt, the self-confessed murderer of Anna Amuller last September, Assistant District Attorney Stephenson called as a witness to-day Dr. Alnoid G. Leo, of this city.

Dr. Leo testified that Schmidt and Miss Amuller came to his office last April and expressed their intention of being married. "Schmidt told me he was very much in love with the girl," testified the doctor, "and said he was going to give up the priesthood and marry her.

"On September 4," said the witness, "two days after the murder, he called at my office, exhibiting a V-shaped wound on the index finger of his right hand and asked that it be treated. He said he had had an accident."

The Irishman was relating to some friends in Glasgow how one night on retiring to bed he fancied he saw a ghost, and having a revolver handy he fired at it. Next morning he examined the object he had shot and discovered it to be his shirt.

"What did you do then?" exclaimed one of the company.

"Bedad, I just thanked Heaven I wasn't inside of it," replied Pat.

Belief That Immigration Restrictions Stood in Way of Admission.

It is understood that the Imperial Pokinese Troupe, who were advertised as part of the Victoria theatre, will not be brought to Victoria. Although the management is not prepared to admit that is the reason, declaring that it was not thought probable that a turn of this character would prove popular in Victoria, it is understood that the real reason for the act of the management.

The arrangement in the past has been for the managers of theatrical companies bringing in Chinese to take a bond in the ordinary way, for their conduct in Canada, which is released upon the departure of the Celestial performers for foreign soil. Such course would probably have been adopted in the present case.

Call of Fire.—As the Times goes to press the fire department is responding to a fire in the 500 block, St. Charles street, which, however, is reported not to be serious.

AGRICULTURAL AID IS NOT SUFFICIENT

Visitor From Mainland Talks of Lack of Attention to Needs of Chief Industry

That the aid being given to agriculture throughout the Dominion by the federal government is totally inadequate to effect anything of value is the opinion of H. H. Blanchet, of Vancouver, who is at present in the city on business. The subject is one which Mr. Blanchet has studied a great deal, and in regard to which his business connection with the west renders him competent to speak on.

While he is not a farmer's son, he has lived on a farm and knows the conditions intimately. Speaking to the Times to-day Mr. Blanchet said that the most valuable man in the country to-day is the skilled agricultural laborer, although he is the worst remunerated and has the least attention paid to his housing, his food, his hours of labor, or the conditions under which he has to work. Even in Ontario, where they had wind-mills to pump the water for use in the farm buildings, one very seldom heard of a bath for the farm servants. The criminals serving their time are better off than the skilled farm laborer, Mr. Blanchet declared with emphasis, and the department of labor never devotes any of its attention to the man who works in the fields. "I claim that the skilled farm laborer ought to receive five dollars a day," said he. "That is little enough for the work he has to do."

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Speaking of the inadequacy of the federal agriculture grant Mr. Blanchet said:

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MARKET MORE ACTIVE WITH SESSION CLOSE CORONATION REACHES NEW LOW PRICE LEVEL

New Haven Came in for Renewed Liquidation After Early Steadiness

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, Dec. 12.—Room traders were cheerfully inclined and transactions fell rather below the recent average at first but generally prices held steady, and later became more active. Liquidation in New Haven appeared to have run its course early and except for some small lot selling for commission house account was not under pressure, but later came in for renewed selling. The past few months have seen some wholesale liquidation in stocks, real estate and labor but from the more assuring news being received from Washington the consensus of opinion is that the situation domestically is on the eve of clearing. While upward movements in the stock market can only be slow for a while, the trend will be based on a firm foundation induced by the constructive conservatism now the order of the day.

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FIRM WHEAT MARKET TO-DAY AT WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—Lower cables caused a weak opening this morning, but the American market showed some firmness, and though nervous the market might be considered firm. Oats were a little weak and flax opened one cent lower but worked upward for the present. There is a little speculative interest on the market. Cash trade is quiet, but there is an improving enquiry for winter grades of all lines. Receipts were about the average, being 907 cars inspected on Thursday, and 1,009 in sight. A good receipt of 2,000 bushels of wheat, 200 of barley, 150 of oats, 150 of flax, 12,000 of flax, 20,000 of oats.

CANADA BANK CLEARINGS CLOSE TO LAST YEAR

Table showing Canadian bank clearings for Dec. 12, 1919, compared with Dec. 12, 1918, for various cities like Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON

Table showing New York cotton prices for Dec. 12, 1919, with columns for various grades like Jan., Feb., Mar., etc.

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Feed, Wheat, chicken feed, Oats, Crushed Oats, Eastern Washington Hay, etc.

Poultry, Ducks, Chickens, Chickens, Chickens, Chickens, Chickens, etc.

Fruit, Bananas, Grapefruit, Apples, Vegetables, Cabbage, Onions, Carrots, Turnips, etc.

WHOLESALE MARKET, Bacon, Bananas, Beans, Cabbages, Cereals, Chestnuts, etc.

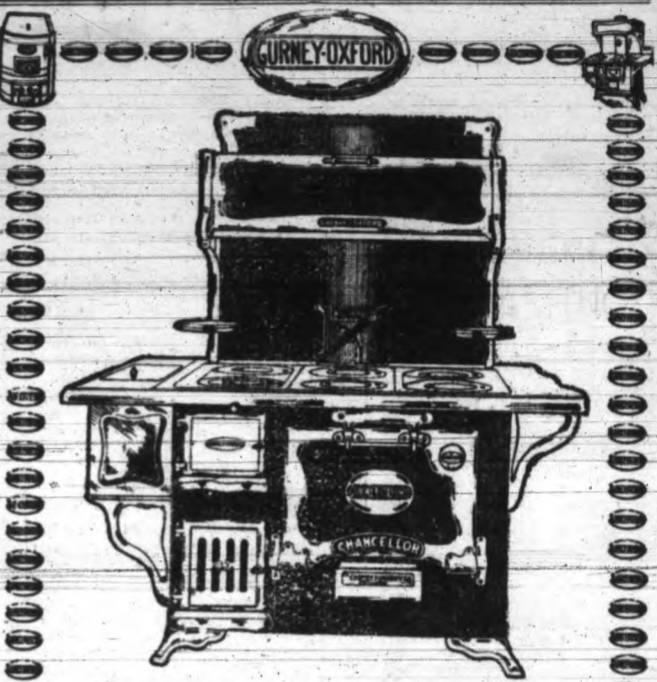
DECEMBER AND MAY CONTRACT EIGHTH UP, Chicago, Dec. 12.—May wheat price closed higher than yesterday, excepting July, which was 1/4 off. It may be stated that the buying of wheat last hour was largely by local sellers of the morning. Liverpool was lower. The crowd was moderately bullish in tone. Broomball claimed lighter Manitoba wheat offers, disappointing threshing returns from early Argentine harvest and improved spot demand. Northwest receipts dropped. Instead of a million bushels accumulation at Minneapolis for five days as recorded, last year stocks there were increased to 2,000,000. Most authentic report on Argentine conditions was in the shape of a cable from Ernest Danvers, of Buenos Ayres, to Northwestern Miller, saying heavy rains in some sections alarming, hail in other sections doing some damage.

METAL MARKETS, New York Dec. 12.—Lead quiet, \$3.66 3/4; tin in London, \$21.50; copper steady, standard spot and futures not quoted; electrolytic, \$14.50; nickel, \$14.50; nominal; castings, \$14.50; tin easy, spot and December, \$27.40; January, \$27.40; February, \$27.40; March, \$27.40; April, \$27.40; May, \$27.40; June, \$27.40; July, \$27.40; August, \$27.40; September, \$27.40; October, \$27.40; November, \$27.40; December, \$27.40.

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RALPH NEVILL RAPS "PARVENU" PEERAGE

Son of Lady Dorothy Says Wealthy Are Shameless in Search for Titles

London, Dec. 12.—In his book entitled "Fancies, Fashions and Fads," Ralph Nevill, a son of Lady Dorothy Nevill, has served up a piquant dish. It is in his harmless personalities that Mr. Nevill is at his best. An aristocrat himself, this is his view of the parvenu peerage.

"Not a few wealthy men are quite shameless in the methods they adopt to obtain a peerage, and the coterie which considers itself society considers this sort of thing quite legitimate."

"Peerages were originally never intended to be conferred upon wealthy manufacturers who have made their money by getting other people to work for them on the cheapest possible terms."

"Personally I prefer peers descended from pretty girls and stout kings to some of our newly manufactured ones, whose forebears went about dabbling in minor industries of a dubious nature associated with the basement."

"For some reason or other, probably atavism, there is a tendency for the sons of millionaires sprung from the gutter to be particularly uncouth and unrepresentable. Before a peerage is conferred it is now, indeed, usual for some one in a responsible position to have a good look at the prospective peer's son."

"The following passage leaves one in some doubt as to which political party he would support, while it curiously voices the views of the average non-party man:

"The superiority of the Liberals in thoroughly bamboozling the electorate is almost an admitted fact. The Conservatives, no doubt, though they have some scruples, are almost as anxious to do it, but unfortunately for them they have no the brains."

"Mr. Nevill considers a certain admiration for Mr. Lloyd George, of whom he says:

"The rise of the Chancellor is very much to his credit, and though he shows few signs of being a really serious politician he must possess some of the qualities which go to the making of a great man, for otherwise he would never have surmounted the many and great difficulties which have shadowed his path."

"At the present time the Chancellor has become almost a national institution, which even those opposed to him accept. It is, however, to be hoped that we shall not have any more politicians of his peculiar bent. One Lloyd George is all very well, but a House of Commons with several would be unbearable."

"And this is what Mr. Nevill has to say of the musical comedy girl:

"Musical comedy is more austere than burlesque, and the old-style character, fond of fun and champagne, is pretty well a thing of the past. Numbers of girls, quite rightly regarding the musical comedy stage as the best marriage market in the world, go on the boards, though they have no need to do so."

"An authority on the lighter forms of the drama recently said to me: 'After all, the Gaity and Dalys are about the best finishing academies for girls in England.' So great is now the run on these two elevating London institutions that parents put their daughters' names down for them, as fathers do those of their sons for good houses at Eton."

"CURLEY THE CROW" ON HOW GEN. CUSTER DIED

Half-Blood Sioux Scout is the Only Survivor of the Little Big-Horn Massacre

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 12.—Curley ("Curley the Crow"), the half-blood Sioux scout, now in his seventy-second year, is the only survivor of the Custer massacre. At the Planters hotel here he gave some interesting details, some of them new, of the battle of the Little Big Horn on June 24, 1876, to which Custer and practically all of his command perished.

A large lithograph of "Custer's Last Stand" represents the scene truly in all respects but one, Curley says. "The artist should not have shown scalped and mutilated American soldiers on the battlefield. There was no scalping and no mutilation. Four hundred and seventy-three soldiers were killed and not a mark was found on them that was not made by bullets."

"I was Gen. Custer's scout. He and the other white men knew me as Curley. By some of the Indians I was called Bloody Knife. Though I was a scout for the army, I was in no danger of being accidentally shot in battle. The Indians never purposely killed a scout. Spies they would kill, but not scouts. They respected scouts who could speak the Indian's language and the English language too. I knew eleven Indian languages, and I could go from the white soldiers' camp to the Indians' and smoke the pipe with the chiefs."

"On the evening before the battle I ate with Reno in the face. He was my uncle, brother of my mother, who was a full-blooded Sioux. I knew Sitting Bull, but I did not see him just at that time. He was the high priest of the Sioux, not their leader in battle. He told me there would be a battle, and said must keep out of it. I said I would stay with Gen. Custer, no matter what the danger was."

"That night I was sent by Custer to summon Col. Reno and Capt. Benteine, with his commands, to reinforce him. 'I reached Reno first, and he refused to go, saying he and his men could not get across the river. Had he started at that time he might have saved Custer. I afterwards testified at the court-martial which dismissed him from the service."

"I went on to Capt. Benteine and he started his command at once. They crossed the same stream which Reno had been afraid to try, and came in the morning to where a high hill separated them from Custer's men. I took one way over the hill and Benteine took what he thought was a shorter way. He did not reach the place, but his men, under subordinate officers, got there in time to perish with Custer's men."

"As I got on the other side of the hill I was in range of the Indians' guns. While I was still a long way off my horse was shot under me, and I got up and ran until I came into the thick of the fighting."

"As I got there I saw the soldiers were lying dead right and left. Those 473 had been surrounded by 6,000 Sioux. I saw Custer fighting with his sabre, and I thought he was the last man alive there, but I soon saw that his brother, Lieut. Tom Custer, was fighting beside him. He fell, and Gen. Custer stood alone."

"The Indians could have killed him easily before that, but the purpose was to take him alive. The reason for that purpose is known to me, and I shall tell of it in a story I am going to write. Fourteen Indians whom he had slashed and gashed with his sabre lay near him, most of them dead or dying."

"Then I saw Reno in the face. He said harshly, 'Curley, I told you to keep out.' 'I couldn't get away,' I replied, 'my horse was shot.' 'I called to General Custer, meaning to tell him of Reno's refusal to come, and he said, 'You here, Curley? We'll fight to the end.'"

"Those were his last words. A big Sioux seized his arm and Custer turned on him and dealt a terrific sabre stroke that half cut his head off. As he did this the son of the Sioux fired his rifle at Custer and the bullet went through his heart."

"In the familiar picture, there is an Indian seen pushing his way through toward Custer as he fell. That man was myself. I held his head as he sank back dead."

"I testified at the trial of Rain-in-the-Face. My testimony and the work of some high-priced lawyers saved his life, but we could not save him from prison, and he died in Leavenworth 14 years later. There was no justice in trying him. He was leading a rebellion but, after the leaders of the confederacy were pardoned so freely, he was entitled to the same treatment."

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Two Tables of Blouses specially priced \$5.00 and \$7.00. To place Waists that were originally \$10 to \$15 at this time of year means an economy event; we have six dozen of them that were originally \$10 and \$15 in the loveliest colorings in silks, crepe de chine and messaline silk, beautifully trimmed, at the two special prices of \$5 and \$7.00

Finch & Finch Ladies' Outfitters
Yates Street Victoria, B. C.

THE EXCHANGE

718 Fort St. Phone 1737.

Presents in brassware were never so low-priced as now. We have a few navy shells, large, medium and small.

All Classes of House-furnishings Bought and Sold
Give us a trial. Prices right. FERRIS, 738 PANDORA AVE. PHONE 1879.

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TENDERS FOR TOWING GARBAGE TO SEA.

Tenders will be received, addressed to the City Engineer, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., up to noon on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1913, for towing garbage to sea.

TENDERS.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until December 22 next for the erection of a Department Store Building at the corners of Herald, Douglas and Flanagan streets, in the City of Victoria, B. C.

Reinforced and Plain Concrete, Architectural Terra Cotta, Ornamental Iron, Carpenter and Joiner, Roofing and Sheet Metal, Plastering, Painting and Glazing, Marble and Tile.

To the educated reader, QUALITY OF GOODS is of first importance - price - concessions secondary.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Estate of John Thomas Wilson Clapperton, Late of the Municipality of South Saanich in the Province of British Columbia, Deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that Probate of the Last Will and Testament of the above named John Thomas Wilson Clapperton, deceased, has been issued into the Dominion Trust Company, the sole Executor therein named.

JOHN R. GREEN, 208-209 Belmont Building, Victoria, B. C., City Engineer, Solicitor for the said Executor, the Dominion Trust Company.

TENDERS FOR REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE, NORTHWEST SEWER.

Tenders will be received, addressed to the City Engineer, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., up to noon on MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1913, for the supply of about ten thousand feet (10,000 ft.) of Reinforced Concrete Pipe, ranging in size from twenty-seven to thirty-six inches.

C. H. RUST, City Engineer, Victoria, B. C., December 18, 1913.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the water supply will be shut off, during the night, for main testing purposes, between the hours of 1 a. m. and 5 a. m., in sections of the Municipality south of Oak Bay avenue.

NOTICE.

The Pacific Great Eastern Railway first strikes the water of the Pacific Ocean at the head of Howe Sound at a point now known as Newport, which the Company do not consider an appropriate name for the city that will develop here.

CATARRH OF THE BLADDER Santal Midy. Relieved in 24 Hours.

CHORAL SOCIETY HAS ITS EIGHTH CONCERT

Excels Even Its Own Previous High Standard; Programme Varied

Even its own previous high standards, were surpassed by the Choral Society in the concert given last evening at the Victoria Theatre. The first concert of its present season and the eighth from the time of the inception of the society.

GIVE WINTER LECTURES

Agricultural Experts Will Conduct Classes Among Institutes in the Province.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS WILL CONDUCT CLASSES AMONG INSTITUTES IN THE PROVINCE.

Plans for the formation of winter classes in connection with the farmers' institutes throughout the province are now being considered by Livestock Commissioner W. T. McDonald and Provincial Horticulturist R. M. Winslow.

posed of Mesdames Reid, Gideon Hicks and Tickner, and Messrs. Mason, Morrison and Gideon Hicks, nearly all singers who are noted for their gifts as vocalists.

These numbers in themselves would have constituted a highly interesting programme, but the audience was generously treated, and two of the most gifted artists in the city were also introduced for the delectation of those present.

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Let us tell you in a quiet way why we sell the very best Furniture at such low prices. It is purely a matter of rent. For the past fifteen months we have been selling high grade furniture out of the high rental district.

Table with 3 columns: Furniture Item, Price, and Description. Includes items like Solid Oak Diningroom, Reliance Plate Silverware, and Genuine Quartered Oak.

STANDARD FURNITURE CO.

731-3 Pandora Ave., Above Douglas. BEST FOR LESS. Just out of the High Rental District.

HUDSON'S BAY TENDERS

Contracts to be let separately for all different kinds of Work. Tenders have been asked on the new Hudson's Bay Company store in Douglas street north, and must be in by December 27.