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We Are Headquarters for XMAS FRUITS. We have the finest and most complete stock in the city, and have made special endeavors to supply you with Xmas Fruits that are superior to all others.

Wallpaper Sale. 25 per Cent. Discount This Week. The Melrose Co., Ltd., 78 FORT STREET, 40 FORT STREET. CREAMERY CHOP-FEED (FOR COWS) SYLVESTER FEED CO., 87-89 Yates St.

TRAIN WRECK. Number of Those Injured in Accident on the Missouri Pacific Have Been Taken Home. (Associated Press.) Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 4.—Only sixteen of the fifty or more persons injured in the Missouri Pacific wreck near Holden, Mo., on Saturday are still in hospitals in this city.

MORE MEN FOR MARSHAL OYAMA. FOUR NEW DIVISIONS HAVE REACHED HIM. Report That Japs Have Been Unable to Hold 203 Metre Hill is Not Confirmed. (Associated Press.) Harbin, Dec. 4.—Gen. Gripenberg, who has arrived here to take charge of the second Manchurian army, will remain at this place two days.

REPORTED RETREAT OF JAPS NOT CONFIRMED. St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Neither the admiralty nor the war office is able to confirm the report from Chefoo that the Japanese have been unable to hold 203-Metre hill. This will be of no advantage to the Japanese unless they can get possession of the neighboring forts.

LAY WOUNDED IN TRENCHES FOR WEEKS. St. Petersburg, Dec. 4.—Gen. Kourapatkin telegraphs under date of December 3rd reporting unimportant skirmishes. He states that Russian scouts found at one point on the left flank seventeen Japanese corpses entirely stripped of clothing, probably by local inhabitants.

MOVEMENTS OF THE RUSSIAN WARSHIPS. Brest, Dec. 4.—The Russian torpedo boat destroyer Prouzhetny sailed today for Danzig. The Russian cruisers Oleg and Izumrud and the transport Okan have arrived here.

OVERCOME BY GAS. Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 4.—Charles Gravelle, of Albany, and Maurice Champagne, of Sorel, Que., were found overcome by gas in their room at a hotel here today and were with difficulty resuscitated. The gas had been blown out by Gravelle.

CROWN PRINCE OF ITALY. Baptism of the Infant Son of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena. (Associated Press.) Rome, Dec. 4.—The infant Crown Prince of Italy was baptised in the ball-room at the Quirinal to-day. The room which had been transformed into a chapel, was beautifully decorated.

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THE SALES IN JAPAN CAN BE INCREASED. Protest Against Increase of Grain Rates By Railways Without Proper Notice. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 5.—Mr. McLean, commercial agent in Japan, advises Canadian sugar refiners to make a bid for the Japanese trade if they are not already fully occupied with the home market.

FORMER MINISTER DEAD. Former United States Postmaster-General Tyler Died To-day. (Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Former Postmaster-General Tyler died at 9.50 this morning. He was general postmaster during Gen. Grant's administration.

HONOR FOR ARCHBISHOP. Rome, Dec. 4.—Archbishop Farley, of New York, was today appointed by Pope Pius X. to the dignity of assistant to the pontifical throne, which permits the prelate to sit with the College of Cardinals and Archbishops and to assist at functions presided over by the Pope.

BORDEN WILL LEAD CONSERVATIVES. LIKELY TO RUN FOR CARLETON, ONTARIO. Woman and Son Found Dead in Their Home—Killed by Fumes From Coal Stove. (Associated Press.) Montreal, Dec. 5.—Robert Laird Borden will continue as leader of the Conservative party. Mr. Borden, accompanied by Mrs. Borden, arrived here on Saturday and were met at the Windsor by an advance guard of representatives of the party in the House of Commons.

FOUND DEAD. Galt, Ont., Dec. 5.—Mrs. James Barber and her son George, who resided in a house on Spruce street, not having been seen since Wednesday last, the police on Saturday night found Mrs. Barber lying dead in her bed and the son lying on his back on the floor of his mother's room, also dead.

FOUND DROWNED. Body of Providence Manufacturer Discovered Under Ice in Pond. (Associated Press.) Lincoln, R. I., Dec. 4.—The body of Albert Holbrook, the wealthy manufacturer of Providence, who mysteriously disappeared from his home on November 7th, was found to-day by Bertram Jenks, a boy, who while skating on Stump Hill Pond saw the body floating in the water under the ice.

DEATH OF NOVELIST. Adeline Sargeant Passed Away After a Long Illness. (Associated Press.) London, Dec. 5.—Adeline Sargeant (Emily Frances Adeline Sargeant), the novelist, died at Bournemouth to-day after a long and painful illness. She was born in 1871.

SUDDEN DEATH. Salem, Mass., Dec. 5.—Henry P. Molton, United States district attorney for the Massachusetts district, dropped dead at his home this morning. Death is supposed to have resulted from heart failure. Mr. Molton was moving about in his room when stricken. Mr. Molton was appointed United States district attorney in 1901.

MORE MONEY REQUIRED. United States Congress Will Be Asked to Grant Increased Appropriations. (Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—The estimates of appropriations required for the support of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1906, were transmitted to congress to-day by the secretary of the treasury. These estimates aggregate \$619,000,000, as against \$614,548,937, the amount of the appropriation of the current fiscal year.

HEAD OF REPUBLIC. Great Procession in Honor of the Inauguration of President Diaz. (Associated Press.) Mexico City, Dec. 5.—Under the radiant tropical sun and through streets whose defiles were lavishly adorned with flowers, wrought into designs of great beauty and whose balconies were hung in the old Spanish fashion with lace and tapestries, passed yesterday a great procession in honor of the inauguration of President Diaz.

ANOTHER COMBINE. Eastern Syndicate Is Securing Options on Number of Telephone Manufacturing Companies. (Associated Press.) Chicago, Dec. 5.—The Chronicle to-day says: "A scheme, which is the preliminary step to the organization of a gigantic telephone manufacturing combine involving capital estimated at \$700,000,000, and which will put out of existence all independent companies in the country, has come to light in Chicago with the announcement that the representative of an Eastern syndicate is endeavoring to obtain option on several independent factories in the city and has obtained a few. Similar options are being sought from all the independent telephone manufacturing companies throughout the country."

FAILURE OF FISHERIES. Scores of People Are Leaving St. Pierre—Exports Decrease. St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 3.—Intense bitterness prevails at St. Pierre and Miquelon over the prospect of the ratification of the French shore treaty, coupled with the depression consequent upon the failure of the fisheries. Official statistics show that the exports of fish from St. Pierre for the nine months ending September, 1902, were 22,584 tons. For the same period of 1904 the exports were 4,968 tons. Scores of people are emigrating from St. Pierre, fearing destitution during the coming winter.

STEAMER WAS FLOATED IN THREE DAYS FROM COMMENCEMENT OF SALVAGE OPERATIONS. With stern twisted to angle of about four inches in every twelve, with a big arch in the deck amidships and another twist to the bow, the old steamer Barbara Boscowitz, when she arrived here from the north yesterday evening, presented one of the most unique looking wrecks every towed to any port. She was brought down from Harborsdown Island, where she had been ashore for a number of weeks, by the steamers Maude and Hope, and berthed at the wharf of the B. C. Salvage Company, Limited, at 6 o'clock.

BOSCOWITZ BADLY TWISTED, BUT SAFE. TOWED TO ESQUIMALT YESTERDAY EVENING. Steamer Was Floated in Three Days From Commencement of Salvage Operations. With stern twisted to angle of about four inches in every twelve, with a big arch in the deck amidships and another twist to the bow, the old steamer Barbara Boscowitz, when she arrived here from the north yesterday evening, presented one of the most unique looking wrecks every towed to any port. She was brought down from Harborsdown Island, where she had been ashore for a number of weeks, by the steamers Maude and Hope, and berthed at the wharf of the B. C. Salvage Company, Limited, at 6 o'clock.

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THE PRESENT Always holds its own golden opportunities, and an appreciation of this fact will prevent many regrets.

Make the Home Bright and Cheerful For Xmas



B. C. Electric Co., Ltd. 35 YATES STREET.

READY TO RECEIVE RUSSIAN SQUADRON

JAPS PREPARE FOR ADMIRAL ROJESTVENSKY

A Dispatch From Mukden Tells of the Capture of Eight Guns by Don Cossacks.

Chbefoo, Dec. 3.—Japanese preparedness for an encounter with the Russian second Pacific squadron was testified to by the officers of the French steamer Hinshua, which left Japan November 30th and arrived here to-day.

ROUTED JAPS AND CAPTURED GUNS. Mukden, Dec. 3.—All day Friday Russian siege guns bombarded the villages occupied by the Japanese east of the railroad, and early this morning the Japanese south of Lidatona and captured eight guns.

IMPORTANCE OF HILL OVER-ESTIMATED. St. Petersburg, Dec. 3.—A high official of the general staff, who is intimately familiar with the fortifications of Port Arthur, insists that the importance of the capture of 203-Metre hill has been over-estimated.

CUMBERLAND NOTES. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) G. W. Clinton, Dr. Staples, L. A. Mooney, B. R. Simpson and R. R. Napier returned to Cumberland on Tuesday after spending a week in Victoria.

USEFUL PRESENTS Best Quality of Ebony Brushes, Mirrors, Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Etc.

J. WENGER, 90 GOVERNMENT STREET, Near Bank of Montreal.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. 24 Broomfield Street, London, E.C. 4.

JAPANESE BUDGET.

In Preparing Financial Programme Care Has Been Taken to Preserve the Country's Credit.

Tokio, Dec. 3.—Premier Katsura and Minister of Finance Sone addressed the House of Representatives this afternoon on the occasion of the formal presentation of the budget and government measures.

M. Katsura congratulated the army and navy on their successes, and expressed sympathy with the soldiers and sailors, who, despite difficulties and dangers, gallantly continued their work strongly aided by the united support.

M. Sone said that the people had shown unprecedented power and capacity to bear the burden of the war. The energy of the people and their military strength were undiminished.

M. Sone added that the government had prepared the budget on the most economical basis, and had prompted the most frugal measures in order to avoid unnecessary outlays.

The minister summarizing the sources of revenue, said it would be necessary in 1905 to borrow only \$22,000,000.

In preparing the financial programme the government had carefully weighed the capacity of the people, and had taken steps to preserve the national credit.

When M. Sone concluded his remarks, he was cheered by the House.

HEARING ADJOURNED.

Suit Against Mrs. Chadwick May Be Settled Out of Court.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 3.—The suit brought by Herbert D. Newton, of Brookline, Mass., against Mrs. Casale Chadwick, was again continued by Judge Babcock to-day. The attorney representing both Mr. Newton and Mrs. Chadwick were in court, and requested that the hearing go over for a week.

Attachment Issued. New York, Dec. 3.—The financial affairs of Mrs. Chadwick were further complicated to-day by the issuance of an attachment against her property, said to be for \$1,000 on behalf of a firm of milliners.

Ontario Conservatives Will Not Protest Elections—Ottawa's New Chief of Police.

Toronto, Dec. 3.—A meeting of the Conservative party of the province of Ontario was held in the Albany Club rooms yesterday. It is understood the question of protesting the elections was discussed, but the decision was reached that no protests be entered.

Succeeds Chief Powell. Toronto, Dec. 3.—Inspector William Stark, head of the detective department, this city, has been selected as the new chief of police of the city of Ottawa, to succeed Chief Powell, who was dismissed Thursday night.

After a Year. Brantford, Ont., Dec. 3.—Edward Dunne is dead from a knife wound in the back received a year ago. The knife was thrown at him by Lorne Walley while in a fit of anger.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—The Turret court, a 110,000-bushel boat loaded with wheat, outward bound from Fort William, went ashore this morning at Whitefish Point.

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A severe case of Ovarian Trouble and a terrible operation avoided. Mrs. Emmons tells how she was saved by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am so pleased with the results obtained from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that I feel it a duty and a privilege to write you about it.

"I suffered for more than five years with ovarian troubles, causing an unpleasant discharge, a great weakness, and at times a faintness would come over me which no amount of medicine, diet, or exercise seemed to correct.

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PRIZE COURT DECISIONS. Appeals in Cases of the Steamers Arabia and Thea Upheld.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 3.—The Supreme Prize Court to-day upheld the appeal against the seizure of 5,000 sacks of flour on board the Portland and Asiatic line steamer Arabia, and quashed the Vladivostok decision in the case.

Then, it was decided that her arrest was unjustified, and the judgment of the Vladivostok Prize court was set aside.

The owner of the Thea will present a claim for damages, roughly figured at \$195,000.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

BOARD AND ROOMS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO LET—In private family, two comfortably furnished front rooms facing the Bay. One minute from Parliament Building. Use of bathroom and phone. Apply Beta, Times Office.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—8 roomed house, corner lot and a half, fruit trees, nice lawn, etc., \$1,500. Apply 68 North Pembroke street.

MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

KAI CHUNG & BRO., 158 Government St. Employment agency; servants and laborers for all work. Ring up phone 1123. Boot and shoe store.

LIVERY AND HACK STABLE—Victoria Transfer Co., 21 Broughton street, Tel. 120. Hacks, baggage wagons, trucks, etc., at any hour.

AH WING—Fashionable tailor, ladies' and gentlemen's clothes made to order and perfect fit guaranteed. 100 Government street.

SING TAI—Manufacturer and dealer in ladies' silk and cotton underwear, dresses, wrappers, etc. 74 Douglas street, Victoria.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawal Bros. Co., 86 Douglas St.

REWARD—\$50.00 (thirty dollars) will be paid to anyone giving information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who willfully and maliciously destroyed the fencing on our property on Catherine and Langford streets, on the night of the 23rd inst. Thos. Shoebolt; Richard Bell.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should consult us when preparing guides, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED. APPLY BOX 15, TIMES OFFICE.

FOR SALE. Fine building lots fronting New City Park on Gorge road.

Good acreage property along Burnside Road, and also above Gorge Bridge; excellent for Fruit Growing.

Valuable city lots on Yates Street and Wharf Street, yielding a good return as an investment.

Also two city water lots at foot of Yates Street with 100 feet wharf and large warehouses.

Twenty-three acres in Esquimaux District fronting on Royal Roads.

Seventy-nine acres fronting on Sooke Harbour.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS.

Rates for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications, except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Time rates on application.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—First-class dining room girl; no other need apply. Occidental Hotel.

WANTED—A good dressmaker. Apply Post Office Box 307, Ladysmith.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in THE TIMES.

WANTED—SALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Young man, stenographer and typewriter, with good knowledge of general office work. Address, with references, Drawer 721, Victoria.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in THE TIMES.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—A position as janitor; would take charge of one or more buildings or offices; good references. Address Janitor, care of "Old Curiosity Shop," Cor. Fort and Blanchard.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in THE TIMES.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY—60 Rae street. Reliable servants always needed. Call between 11 a. m. and 1.30 p. m. Letters promptly answered. J. Devereux.

WANTED—Dressmaking or plain sewing, by the day. Corner Catherine and Edward streets, Victoria West.

WANTED—Miscellaneous. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Pupils desirous of learning surveying and levelling; instructions given in field and office work. Apply 8 Stadacona Ave. Phone 224.

WANTED—Horse for delivery, about 1,000 pounds; not over 6 years old; must be sound and quiet. R., this office.

WANTED—Everybody in Victoria to buy first-class home-made toffee and candy from Hartley, the English candy maker, 74 Yates street.

WANTED—Carpenters' tools, trunks, cast-iron clothing, boots, shoes, etc., etc. Write or call on Jacob Aaronson's New and Second-Hand Store, 64 Johnson street.

WANTED—Photo-Engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaranteed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad Street, Victoria.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in THE TIMES.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—A tuxedo and sack suit; almost new; size 40; cheap. C. M. J., Times.

FOR SALE—Fine pointer puppy, 10 months old; good retriever and points well. Apply to W., Times Office.

FOR SALE—Two light wagons, suitable for farmers; one general purpose horse, 6 years old; one good young family cow. Apply Fisher's Blacksmith Shop, Store St.

BAR FIXTURES, POOL TABLES, ETC.—For sale, bar fixtures, newest and finest designs. Headquarters for new and second-hand billiard and pool tables. Catalogue free. "Iriswink" Billiard Co., 101 Johnston, Kirk Block, Douglas street, agent, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Cheap, air-tight heaters, ranges, stoves, tables, single and double beds, mattresses, bureaus, etc., at Old Curiosity Shop, Cor. Fort and Blanchard.

FOR SALE—Cheap, air-tight heaters, ranges, stoves, tables, single and double beds, mattresses, bureaus, etc. 1 X L Second-Hand Store, 8 Store street. Phone 8028.

BULBS FOR SALE—Hyacinth, tulips, narcissus, crocus, etc., just received, at Jay & Co., 13 Broad street.

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LOST AND FOUND. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LOST—A gold chain bracelet. Reward for return to Times Office.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER. JNO. B. FIELDING, Hamilton, Ontario, consulting engineer. Specialty—Improved design of dams.

WATCH REPAIRING. A. PETCH, 60 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

SCALP SPECIALIST. MRS. CAMPBELL, 161 Fort street, scalp specialist, dermatologist, hairdressing, massage, manicuring, chiropodist. Morning appointments only at private houses. Phone 1112.

TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO LET—Osborne House, Pandora and Blanchard streets, furnished rooms at reasonable rates, per week or per month.

COTTAGE—5 rooms and bath, \$7 per month. A. Williams, 104 Yates.

TO LET—Cottage, No. 94 Menzies street, 5 large airy rooms, all modern conveniences, large garden, fruit trees, etc.; convenient to town, park and beach; rent \$18. House open to view 11 a. m. to 4 p. m., or apply East End Grocery, Oak Bay avenue.

TO LET—Furnished cottage, \$7; unfurnished, \$5 per month. A. Williams, 104 Yates.

TO LET—Offices over the Imperial Bank, corner Yates and Government streets; 3, clean, well lighted, with or without furniture. Apply Bank or Norton Printz.

TO LET—Furnished bedroom for gentleman, with use of bath. Gordon Hotel, Yates street.

BED AND SITTING ROOM TO RENT—Private family, new house, modern. 59 Hayward avenue.

LEE & FRASER, Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trousar Avenue.

\$400 FOR GOOD BUILDING LOT, South Turner street.

\$100 EACH for 3 lots, 55x115 ft. each, Fernwood Estate.

HOUSES TO RENT in all parts of the city.

\$1,500 WILL PURCHASE nice cottage and large lot in James Bay.

FOUL BAY—On water front, 2 large lots, 60x150 each; \$150 each.

DISCOVERY STREET—16 cabins and lot 30x120 for \$1,000.

2 1/2 ACRES on Gordon Head road, with good house, barn, fruit trees; immediate possession; price \$1,400, and on terms.

2 1/2 LOTS on Dallas road, near Clover Point, for sale at a very low figure in order to close out an estate.

QUEEN'S AVE., near Chambers street, one large lot, \$225.

PRINCESS AVE., near Chambers, good building lot, \$225.

LINDON AVE.—Very large lot, only \$1,000.

GOOD 5 ROOMED COTTAGE, centrally located, with stable, electric light and sewer connection; a bargain for \$1,000.

FARMS AND FARMING LANDS FOR SALE—Cheap and on easy terms. Money lent on low rates of interest. Fire and Life Insurance effected in first-class companies.

LEE & FRASER, Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trousar Avenue.

HEISTERMAN & CO., Real Estate and Insurance, 75 Government Street.

TO LET—Comfortable five roomed cottage, with all conveniences, immediate possession; rent \$15.

FOR SALE—Sixty acres best fruit land in B. C., only five miles from town; 40 acres cleared and under cultivation.

TO LET—Several good houses with modern conveniences.

BELCHER STREET—Choice building sites for sale; only a few left.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. CHAS. A. MCGREGOR, 95 Yates street. Jobbing trade a specialty. Twenty years experience. Orders promptly filled.

THOMAS CATTERALL—16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 520.

CONTRACTORS. ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings, work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

CARPENTERS, DICKSON & HOWES, 231 to 133 Johnson street, Grimm's Block, Victoria, and 1038 Richard street, Vancouver, manufacturers of show cases and store fixtures in hard and soft wood; designs and estimates furnished.

CLEANING WORKS. GENTS' SUITS—CLEANED and pressed (equal to new), \$1.50. Lash, 104 View street, next corner Quadra.

OSTRICH FEATHERS, boas, trimming, etc., cleaned and curled by the best French method; feather boas made to order. Address Mrs. R. Wilson, 100 Esquimaux street, successor to Mrs. H. W. Jones, 74 North Chatham street.

PAUL'S CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS, 120 Fort street. Lace Curtains and blankets a specialty. Phone 1012.

BEAUMONT BOGGS Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 42 Fort St.

TO LET—Furnished house, immediate possession.

FOR SALE—5 roomed cottage, Hereward street, 2 lots; price \$1,000.

FOR SALE—One of the best farms in Cowichan, well stocked, and at a great bargain; call and see particulars.

FOR SALE—144-acre farm, good house, barns, orchard, 35 acres cleared, water frontage; price \$2,000.

TO LET—20-acre farm, house, barns, and 50 acres cleared, with orchard, and river frontage; option to purchase.

FOR SALE—House and 4 lots, S. W. corner of Belmont and Pembroke streets; price \$1,200.

TO LET—For winter months, 7 roomed house at Oak Bay; rent \$8.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 5-5 a. m.—An important high barometer area is central near the American plateau district, and a low area has developed in Northern Athabasca; rain fell yesterday. From Simpson and light snow in Manitoba, but fair weather now prevails from the Pacific to the Great Lakes; west of the Rockies it is colder, with frosts at most stations; in the Northwest the extreme cold has much moderated.

Forecast.

For 26 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday, Victoria and vicinity—Northerly winds, continued fair and cold.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, continued fair and cold.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.31; temperature, 39; minimum, 38; wind, 2 miles N.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 39; minimum, 39; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kanaka—Barometer, 30.33; temperature, 38; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 34; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 38; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 26; minimum, 12; wind, calm; weather, clear.

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Per Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Sunday: Mrs. Stark, F. Baker, S. Baxter, Mr. Weir, A. L. Proctor, H. B. Manley, J. O'Connor, R. H. Walker, Mrs. Walker, H. H. Welch, Isaac Harris, J. Cruikshank, Mr. Lillison, Mr. Innes, Mrs. Innes, P. H. Rushton, Dr. Morris, D. M. Eberts, M. A. Johnson, W. F. Robertson, Mrs. Robertson, La Belle Rosa, C. B. Thacker, G. W. Ferguson, J. E. Sutton, E. H. Russell, Mrs. Simon, Miss Simon, J. M. Wilson, Mrs. H. A. Nicholson, Mrs. F. W. Vincent, Miss Kement.

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NEWS OF DECK AND DOCKYARD

From what can be heard in naval circles the plans of the admiralty for Esquimaut are not likely to be known before January. A meeting of the lords of the admiralty is then to be held, when the whole programme of the naval defence will be taken under advisement. Until after this meeting it is believed nothing will be known as to the fate of the Pacific station.

The opinion is entertained here in the higher circles that there will be no reduction of the squadron, as might be inferred by the recall of the Grafton and Flora. Commodore Goodrich, when asked a few days ago if he had any further news about the promised change of plans in addition to those mentioned in a dispatch from London, replied that he had none, but it is understood that the commodore is strongly of the impression that larger and more modern ships than either the Grafton or Flora are to replace those vessels on this coast.

Esquimaut, it must be remembered, occupies an altogether different relation to Great Britain, with respect to the power of the nation at sea, than does Halifax, which the naval authorities say is within a week's sail of a squadron from England. Esquimaut occupies a strategic position of great importance, inasmuch as the fleet here stationed would be the only one that could offer protection to troops passing over the now recognized highway of communication for British forces—the Canadian Pacific railway. It affords the only protection for the British Pacific cable, and for Canadian commerce and Canadian interests generally on this coast. Without a fleet in these waters it is difficult to see how any one of these interests could be held in case of an emergency. The nearest assistance would have to come from Hongkong, and any ships taken from there would certainly mean the weakening of that station, according to the strength of the fleet withdrawn.

According to the Naval and Military Record the flying squadron will comprise in future ten armored ships of great speed, and will be divided into two forces, which will be known as the first and second cruiser squadrons. The strengthening will be effected by transferring the Bedford and Essex from the home fleet and taking the Cumberland and Cornwall from the reserve. No doubt when the command of this enlarged squadron passes to a vice-admiral the officer controlling the home fleet will be a full admiral.

"In time we shall have not merely two cruiser squadrons of great speed, or three, including that attached to the Mediterranean command, but four or five," continues the Record. "These forces moving about the world, carrying out manoeuvres of real value in West India waters in the winter, and in the near seas in the summer, will be far more useful than the present disposition of the forces in the North American and South Atlantic coast for instance. At the same time they will provide the best possible experience for junior flag officers, who will thus have twelve months in which to study the handling of a real and very swift fighting force."

CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

The joint conference of members of the pilotage boards of Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo and New Westminster, arranged to be held in this city to-day, has been postponed. The Vancouver News-Advertiser, in a request for a postponement was made by the Victoria board, which desires that the investigation now being conducted as to the management of its affairs shall be concluded and the result announced before the conference is held. The Vancouver and Victoria boards will agree upon a date and then issue notices to the Nanaimo and New Westminster boards.

MARINE NOTES.

Schooner South Bay has been libelled at Astoria for \$32,250 by the owners, captain and crew of the tug Daring. The South Bay was injured while crossing over the Columbia bar last Friday, and was saved by the tug, which entitled the Daring to half the value of the vessel and cargo.

The North American Transportation & Trading Company's Nomo steamship Roanoke has been sold to Capt. Omar J. Humphrey, of San Francisco, according to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. One hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars was the purchase price.

Word has been received by Dodwell & Co., Tacoma, of the departure of the Blue Pannel liner Calchas from Vladivostok for Nagasaki. This will be her only port of call in Japan. Afterward she proceeds to Hongkong and thence to Liverpool and Glasgow.

The schooner Sea Witch, which left Everett for Ballard on November 25th returned safely. It was feared that she had been lost.

R. M. S. Empress of India is due from the Orient to-morrow.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—B. C. Fruit & Com Co., A. McGregor & Sons, Invertavish Floral Co., S. Lessor & Co., Wilson Bros., B. S. Byrn, M. E. Smith & Co., E. G. Prior & Co., Watson & McGregor, Jay & Co., Boyd, Burns & Co., Geo. Munro & Co., R. Porter & Sons, Victoria; O. Brown & Co., J. S. Emerson, Vancouver.

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Signal Hill will continue to be a scene of constructive work for probably a year or two, according to those who pretend to know. A large force of men have been engaged for over a year already in converting the hill into a huge fortress. Work has gone on almost ceaselessly, and to the casual observer it might be assumed that it is nearing an end. A permanent roadway has been built to the summit, and the impression prevails that with the completion of the excavation everything will be in readiness for the installation of the guns, lying in sections at the foot of the hill. But he who so presumes is not familiar with the plans of the work still to be carried out. All that is to be seen at the top of the hill at present is a great hole in the solid rock, probably 45 or 50 feet deep by 200 feet wide. Into this a vast amount of concrete is to be placed, and before the guns are installed this will have to stand until it has become solid. On top of the hill the surface will be perfectly smooth, although the trees will be left standing around about, and to the stranger there will be little, if anything, to indicate the existence of the guns. Just how the big excavation will be covered has not been announced. No doubt many are entertained but that the guns will be well protected on top, as they will be on the sides, where they will have the shelter of at least several hundred feet of solid rock. There will, of course, be a large chamber left in the excavation after the guns have been installed, and this may be used for a variety of purposes.

"Our great aim in the British navy must be to reduce our crews by introducing labor-saving appliances. In our future sea fights, with destroyers haunting us by night and submarines dogging us by day, the two chief requisites will be endurance and nerves. A machine has no nerves, and never gets tired. In the Nelsonic days they could go to sleep at night. When the destroyers arrived we settled to go to sleep by day. Now the submarine has come you can sleep neither by day nor night."—Admiral Sir John Fisher.

CINDERELLA DANCE

Will Be Held in the Assembly Hall on the Evening of December 29th.

The annual Cinderella dance, under the auspices of the Daughters of Pity, will be held during the Xmas holidays, on the evening of Thursday, December 29th, in the Assembly hall, Port street. The music for the occasion will be provided by Sampson's orchestra, and dancing will be kept up from 8 until 2 o'clock. The early hour is arranged this year in order that the children may have the floor for as long a time as possible. The grand march and supper for the children will come on about 9:30, at which time adults will be permitted to take the floor. Other details regarding the arrangements will be announced later, but the children are requested to keep this date free, as they are certain to enjoy a very merry evening.

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CABINET REPRESENTATION.

The Colonist must drink of the cup. It would present a much better figure if it could force itself to partake of the draught gracefully and smilingly. Speaking of the banquet to Senator Templeman and that gentleman's remarks in response to the toast to his health, our contemporary says: "That gentleman intimated in a very plain manner his desire to have a portfolio, and we think he is fully entitled to it, if for no other reason than of long service and of priority." Its own report of the speech of the guest of the evening in which allusion was made to the claims of British Columbia for a portfolio carrying the administration of a department reads as follows: "The chairman has said something about the importance to British Columbia of a portfolio in the government. All I can say is that the great province of British Columbia should not be without a minister with an important department. Personally, it is not a matter of great importance whether the minister should be I or some other gentleman from the province. But there can be no doubt that a province without a minister with portfolio has not as much influence as a province with one. The strength of the Liberal party in British Columbia in the future depends to some extent upon this."

There is no question that the day will soon be here when it will be impossible to deny or to resist our claims as a province to the most effective representation in the government of the day, whether that government be Liberal or Conservative. The holding of portfolios has become a habit with the men from the East. The West, notwithstanding its immensity, has been too modest about asserting its claims to justice. There was a time when the little province of Prince Edward Island had to be placated with a portfolio, notwithstanding that its relative importance as a province of the Dominion was steadily declining. It showed its resentment for the reduction of representation in the House and for the loss of representation in the Ministry by going Conservative at the general elections. The neighbors of Prince Edward Island will no doubt strive earnestly to hold the rights they have come to look upon as vested. But the centre of population and of political gravity is moving westward. There will be a movement for the assertion of the rights of the West if governments refuse due voluntary recognition. In the new Dominion rapidly being evolved, with a string of great provinces west of the Great Lakes, it will of course be impossible to give each provincial unit a representative in the federal cabinet. Capacity must be the principal factor in determining the composition of a government. But the search for fitness need not be restricted to Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The East has produced able men in abundance. But the West is now rapidly filling up. When the Grand Trunk Pacific is in operation, when three transcontinental railway lines have laid the great West open to the energies of a greater population than the East now contains, the centre of intellectuality will be in the West also. Now is the time to warn the Easterners of the impending changes and to urge them to prepare to abdicate.

BETTER TERMS.

It may be a fact that none of the other provinces has an equal claim with British Columbia for a concession of better terms from the Dominion. We know some of them think they have. They were agitating for more liberal treatment long before it ever entered into the mind of a representative of this province that the terms of union were lillibred. They pressed their claims collectively while British Columbia stood afar off taking no interest whatever in the movement. Perhaps the governments of the province in those days were too loyal to the governments which ruled at Ottawa to make any demands which might cause the slightest embarrassment. Then also the annual deficits in British Columbia were as regular as the seasons. The McBride government claims it has produced an equilibrium between revenue and expenditure. But it wants more money with which to provide provincial necessities. It thinks the federal treasury, which is overflowing, should supply the wherewithal. At the same time it will not admit that there may be justice in the demands of the provinces which originated the cry for better terms. They are all right. They have not a rugged country of magnificent dimensions to administer. If there were a general readjustment with a maintenance of the present comparative terms, our relative position would not be altered at all. We would still be the largest contributors according to population, while sharing with the other provinces a di-

vision based upon population. In the meantime it may be well to consider what the other provinces think of our claims and what the effect of this consideration would be upon our chances of securing a readjustment. What could we do to impress any federal government without their assistance and co-operation? What would the effect of such a declaration as that issued by the Conservatives of British Columbia be upon their attitude? Would it not be to invite antagonism? Therefore the declarations bear upon their face the stamp of insincerity. There is not a man of common sense that does not perceive that if the terms of union are to be altered, it must be upon the demand of all the provinces interested. There will probably be several new provinces created during the coming session of Parliament. They will come in upon the same terms as the rest of the family, and we doubt not right glad they will be to get in.

THE SOCKEYE FISHERIES.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer fears that Canadians are determined to sacrifice their interests in the sockeye salmon carrying industry rather than continue to propagate fish that might sooner or later find their way into an American trap. The announcement that it is the intention of the government to construct several hatcheries in the north and promote the fishing industry up there has engendered this suspicion. The assumption that we prefer to do our fishing in localities free from possible international complications prompts our contemporary to throw out characteristic hints of "reprisals." If we attempt to pursue a policy which in our eyes may be entirely in our own interests, we may find the Gulf of Georgia filled with traps. One tremendous catch may be taken by the American fishermen regardless of consequences to the future of the industry, after which the Puget Sound canneries can be closed for a year or two, or until such time as the run promises to pay for their reopening. Which re-

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minds us of the case of the fur seal. When the Americans were not permitted to have their way they essayed to drive Canadians out of the business by branding the seals. That stratagem proving a failure one bright fellow proposed to wind up the sealing business by a grand slaughter of all the animals. The motto of our neighbors in trade matters is: "What we have we won't share with anybody."

The remarks of our contemporary simply prove the wisdom of the Canadian government in refusing to countenance the proposition that Americans be permitted to establish hatcheries on the Fraser river. There would be complications sooner or later, with consequences more likely than otherwise to be serious.

But our contemporary is wrong in its surmise that the government is going to do nothing to preserve the industry of sockeye fishing. Even now new hatcheries are being built. The fact that Americans have established a great industry in fish which depend upon a Canadian river for the propagation of their kind will not have the slightest influence upon the determination of the department to do all in its power to prevent the extermination of the sockeye canning business.

We hope it may prove true that in a few years the American canners will be able to get a permanent supply of fish through artificial methods of propagation in their own waters, and that they may be independent of the king of the commercial salmon of the Pacific coast. Our trappers will then be able to repay themselves for past favors. Nevertheless, it would be more seemly as well as more promising for the future if our neighbors would drop their policy of bluster and take measures really within their power to preserve the most important industry of all. If they would duplicate the Can-

adian regulations the business of sockeye fishing would soon be upon a permanent basis. If they refuse to act, the fact of their refusal will tend to establish the belief that the American people will not conduct business upon equal terms with the people of other nationalities if they can avoid it.

The Russian people are apparently not satisfied with the declaration of one of their divinely selected rulers that they are not fit for self-government. They want a trial. Perhaps if their effort prove as great a failure as is the present system, they may be willing to go back. In the meantime they think the opportunity for agitation afforded by the conversion of Russia into a constitutionally governed country will be a heavy task. It will carry the Muscovite people through a valley of tribulation. But they cannot lag behind their sister nationalities forever. Sooner or later they must hoist the flag of liberty and keep it at the masthead. The dynasty ought to recognize the inevitable and accept as its advisers men impregnated with the spirit of the times. If the Emperor refuses to take counsel of advisers who recognize what is coming he may fall under the ruins of Russian despotism.

The News-Advertiser gravely descants on the advantage to the province it would be to have the fisheries administered wholly by the local government. As an example of the strength of this claim, consider the impartial, non-partisan and "unsectional" manner in which the question of fish traps was handled. That matter alone should be sufficient to demonstrate that a government incapable of the narrow views avowed by Premier McBride should be charged with the administration of the fisheries.

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SENATOR TEMPLEMAN HONORED.

Vancouver News-Advertiser.

Senator Templeman may well be proud of the manner in which his political friends and supporters gathered at the banquet given him at Victoria on Friday last. Although we are not in accord with much of the policy of the Liberal party, yet we cannot but respect Mr. Templeman's political consistency during years when Liberals in British Columbia were not as numerous as they are now. Nor do we forget that Mr. Templeman, as editor of the Victoria Times, co-operated heartily with us in support of the Provincial party. We are pleased, therefore, to see that sometimes political parties are not ungrateful for services rendered and can appreciate consistency in public men. Nor does it diminish our interest in this incident that the guest of the Liberals on Friday last was a journalist, or, as we prefer to say, "a newspaper man." It would almost seem as if men of that class are really the "handy men" in political life—ready for any emergency.

THE FRANK DISASTER.

To the Editor:—An error occurred in your paper regarding the cause assigned by me of the Frank rockslide, and in justice it should be corrected. I mentioned in my address to the people at the Y. M. C. A. that several causes had been suggested. That one cause was volcanic action. Another was subterranean explosion. But, in my opinion, neither was correct. Then after describing how the mine had excavated into the mountain a distance of 5,000 feet and a perpendicular height of 90 feet, as the coal seam is nearly perpendicular, and how the slide had occurred over the mine and corresponded in width to the excavation made, the audience could infer for themselves what caused the disaster at Frank.

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—Mrs. A. J. Clyde, soprano, and Mr. Hill, organist, will assist Miss Underhill at her recital in Calvary Baptist church to-morrow evening.

—J. W. Boulding, who has recently come to Victoria from the Northwest territories, intends putting up a two-story residence on the corner of Richmond avenue and Leighton road.

—Alexander McRae, a retired business man, and who for twenty-two years has been a resident of Seattle, passed away on Friday evening. Deceased leaves a family of six, one of whom is Mrs. J. H. Koelle of this city.

—At the conclusion of the Vancouver sitting of the Fall court one appeal was left over until the next sitting in addition to the Hopper vs. Dunsuir case. It was Vancouver vs. Vancouver, New Westminster & Yukon Railway Company.

—Elaborate preparations are being made by the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church for their bazaar on December 13th and 14th. There will be a sale of work each day, and in the evenings entertainments will be given. On Wednesday, the second day of the bazaar, lunch will be served from 12 to 2.

—"California," a Western melodrama, will be the offering at the Redmond theatre for the first half of the week, including the usual Wednesday souvenir matinee. The Redmonds are said to be very strong in melodramas of this kind, and doubtless in "California" they will achieve a success equal to that which has attended their previous performances.

—E. O. S. Scholesfield, provincial librarian, will deliver his lecture on the Spanish explorations on the northwest coast of America in the lecture room of St. Andrew's church on Wednesday evening, December 14th. The address is given under the auspices of the guild of the church. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will occupy the chair on the occasion.

—The millmen of the coast are meeting the provincial members of the House of Commons and Senate in Vancouver to-day. The members who had been in attendance at the banquet to Hon. Senator Templeman went over last evening, and will hear the representations made to them by the millmen. The latter seek the imposition of a duty upon United States lumber entering the Northwest.

—At the regular meeting of the Victoria Stationary Engineers' Association held last Thursday evening in their rooms, Five Sisters' block, the third of the series of papers now being given by the members was read by G. Barraclough, his subject being Pumps. This subject was handled in a very able manner, and illustrated on the black board, etc., and was greatly appreciated by the members present.

—The Pringle Company will present a farce comedy new to Victoria, and claiming to be of the greatest laugh-provoking comedy of the American stage at the Crystal to-night. "Wanted, a Wife" is filled with clean fun from beginning to end, and side-splitting situations follow one another in rapid succession. This week two of the best plays in the Pringle repertoire will be given, the last half of the week being devoted to a rural comedy drama entitled "Uncle Josh." A 10 cent matinee will be given to-morrow afternoon.

—The fact that the Victoria public is quick to appreciate a good show, accounts for the large crowds who nightly attest the capacity of the Savoy theatre. The generosity and liberality of the management in securing the best attractions regardless of expense, is a sure guarantee that no stone will be left unturned in order to furnish novelty entertainments of merry burlesque and popular vaudeville. The Hewlette burlesquers are fast becoming favorites, as they endeavor to command success by deserving it, and will in the future, as in the past, pursue the same course, by giving the patrons of the Savoy entertainments second to none. "Robinson Crusoe, Jr." has been withdrawn, and will be succeeded by the merry Hewlette burlesque, "The High Rollers," commencing to-night and continuing throughout the week, introducing the entire company in songs, dances, medleys, gawties and comedy complications.

—The Mission band will hold undenominational services in the Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school, corner of North Pembroke street and Belmont avenue, every night this week, except Saturday, at 8 o'clock.

WHAT DOES THE ADMIRALTY INTEND?

LOCAL NAVY LEAGUE IS INVESTIGATING

More Adequate Protection of British Interests is Object of Sea Lords—Flying Squadrons.

As was expected the local branch of the Navy League has taken active steps towards throwing light upon the admiralty's intentions in regard to the Esquimaut station. Communication has been entered into with the head office in London in regard to the recently reduction in the strength of the Pacific north-west naval force. No definite information has been received, but London officials, who are in close touch with the authorities, are investigating. In the meantime the policy of Sir John Fisher and the lords of the admiralty has been outlined as far as known in letters to Secretary Peirson, of the Navy League.

Seen this morning Mr. Peirson said that, from what he had been able to learn from the Old Country and other sources, the report that a system of "flying squadrons" was contemplated was correct. It was evidently the intention to do away with all obsolete vessels, lifting the navy to the highest possible standard of efficiency. Cruisers and battleships would be classified according to their speed and fighting qualities. They would be divided into as many "flying squadrons" as might be deemed necessary, each to be formed of vessels of uniform rating. Thus the squadron would be able to patrol and police the highways of commerce without being hampered by ships of unequal speed.

"The admiralty," Mr. Peirson remarks, "have apparently now decided that it is by the weakest link the strength of the chain is judged, and are endeavoring to weed out the useless ships, classify those more up-to-date and organize a system by which a large force of efficient vessels may be concentrated at any given point within the shortest possible time."

A recent communication from the London Navy League makes an announcement interesting in this connection. It mentions the launching early in November of the Black Prince, a war vessel of an entirely new and novel design. In describing her the letter reads: "The dividing line between her and the battleship is slight. She is of an original type and will combine great speed with coal capacity, protection and high gun power."

R. Stewart, a member of the executive committee of the Victoria branch of the Navy League, is now visiting England. Upon request he visited the general secretary in London, and in an account of the interview the latter says: "I recently had a call from Mr. Stewart, who is a member of your committee, and had a most interesting conversation with him. He expressed concern at the proposed withdrawal of the small oceanic type of vessels which have hitherto been stationed on the Northwest coast. I have not yet any absolutely definite information on this matter, but I believe that the proposal is that certain powerful 'flying squadrons' of cruisers shall always be kept in commission, and that they shall visit all parts of the British Empire."

"You must, of course, be aware that small sloops such as the Condor, that was recently lost, are useless for purposes of modern warfare. They can neither fight nor run, and they simply lock up officers and men whose services could be utilized in effective fighting ships, consequently, although the flag may not be in evidence as much as it has been in the past, the effective protection of British interests will be more assured."

As will be gathered from the foregoing, the local Navy League is taking up the matter with its accustomed energy, and as soon as possible will make a definite announcement regarding the admiralty's policy towards the Esquimaut station.

MORE GREETINGS

Received From Senator Templeman's Colleagues in the Cabinet.

In addition to the messages of greeting and their inability to attend, from Senator Templeman's colleagues in the Dominion cabinet, and read at the banquet on Friday evening, the secretary of the Young Liberal Association has just received the following:

Ottawa, 28th November, 1904.
Mr. R. W. Scott regrets he will be unable to join the young Liberals of Victoria on Friday next in doing honor to Senator Templeman. Did time and opportunity permit, it would have given him great pleasure to be present at the banquet and thank the Liberals, young and old, of British Columbia for the great success they have recently achieved, in which their popular and universally esteemed guest took so important a part.

R. A. C. Grant, Esq., Secretary, P. O. Box 307, Victoria, B. C.

Ottawa, Ont., November 28th, 1904.
Sir:—In the absence of Honorable Mr. Sutherland, I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the invitation of the Victoria Liberal Association and the Victoria Young Men's Liberal Club to a complimentary banquet to be tendered Honorable Senator Templeman at the Hotel D'Arland, Victoria, B. C., on Friday, December 2nd, 1904, at nine p. m.

The Minister of Public Works has left for the Southern States to spend the winter there for the benefit of his health, but at the first opportunity I shall have pleasure in bringing to his notice the very kind invitation of his Liberal friends in Victoria. I have the honor to be, sir,
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—The regular review of Baxter Hive, No. 8, L. O. P. M., will be held to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at Temple's hall, Victoria West. A full attendance is requested to conduct important business.

—The regular monthly meeting of the juvenile branch of the Ancient Order of Foresters will not be held as usual to-morrow evening. The meeting has been postponed until Monday evening, December 12th.

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—A sale-of-work will be given under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Metropolitan Methodist church on Friday afternoon and evening at the residence of Mrs. Goodacre, Pandora street. An energetic committee has the preparations in hand, and a pleasant time is promised all who attend.

—A small house witnessed the performance of the unique play, "Devil's Auction" at the Victoria theatre on Saturday night. The usual series of novelties were presented, one of the best features being the contortion work of Geo. H. Herman as Ghaso, the imp of darkness. The scenic settings and contrivances were excellent.

—The Pierrots are still drawing big houses at the Dallas. A successful matinee was given on Saturday afternoon and the little ones had a real treat. The programme to-night consists of many new items and a sprinkling of the old favorites. To-morrow the Pierrots will perform at Cedar Hill, and on Thursday at Work Point barracks. On Friday they will appear at the Dallas again in a change of programme. A really clever and bright little show such as this should not be missed.

—To-morrow evening the young people of the First Presbyterian church will hold their annual bazaar and entertainment. All adherents of the church and other friends of the young people will be cordially welcomed. A large display of useful and fancy articles will be offered for sale during the afternoon, and tea will be served. In the evening a good programme will be rendered. Among those who will contribute are Misses C. and N. Lovell, R. Fell, Foxall, Briggs and Messrs. J. G. Bunn and E. Wood.

THE MORRISSEY DISASTER.

Death of Fourteen Miners Caused by Suffocation From Blowout.

"W. F. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, spent yesterday in Nelson and leaves for Victoria this morning by way of Spokane," says Friday's Nelson News. "Mr. Robertson has been attending the inquest into the death of the Morrissey miners at the accident in which fourteen men were killed.

"The coroner's jury of six men had viewed the remains when they were recovered from the mine. The evidence of the doctor, who made the post mortem examination, was to the effect that all had died of suffocation. The formal inquest began at 7 o'clock Monday evening and lasted until 12.30 on Tuesday. Twelve witnesses in all were examined and there was no conflicting evidence of any kind. The whole statement of fact and cause is summed up with admirable conciseness in the finding of the jury, subscribed to by all the members:

"We find that the deceased came to their death from suffocation caused by a blowout of gas in No. 1 mine, Morrissey, the property of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, on the morning of the 18th of November, 1904. We are unable to find that any blame attaches to the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, or any of its officials."

PERSONAL.

J. M. Nelson, of Winnipeg; C. H. Hewett and W. C. O'Brien, of Vancouver; John Godard, of Cowley, Alta.; Richard P. Wallis, of Nanaimo; and H. Daniel, of Nelson, are at the Vernon.

Geo. F. McCormack, of Ottawa; P. W. Grigor, of Rossland; D. McPherson, H. D. Averill, Chase, Parnass, A. Webster and A. E. Tulk, of Vancouver, are at the Brierley.

Ed. G. Richards, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Balmoral.
Thos. Kiddie, of the Ladysmith smelter, is in the city, a guest at the Vernon.

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SPORTING ITEMS.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. SENIOR LEAGUE GAME. Victoria-United, 3; Victoria West, 1.

HIGH SCHOOL WON. The Victoria West Aggregation by five goals to one at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon.

BEAT THE SAILORS. The Victoria intermediate team defeated the Bonaventure, 2nd eleven, by four goals to two at Beacon Hill on Saturday afternoon.

DECISION UPHELD. A special meeting of the Mainland League was held on Saturday night. There was a full attendance of delegates.

RUGBY FOOTBALL. BY SEVENTEEN TO THREE. The Vancouver Intermediates downed the Victoria Reds in the Terminal City on Saturday by seventeen to three.

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composed of seniors, intermediates and juniors, at the Canteen grounds on Saturday afternoon.

THE OAR. FOR CANADIAN HEENLEY. It is reported that an endeavor will be made to send a J. B. A. A. four-oared crew to the Canadian Henley, which will be held next year at St. Catharines, Ont.

BASEBALL. LEAGUE PROPOSED. A special dispatch from Everett says: "The proposed four-team baseball league, which fell through last year, is being agitated for the coming season, and it is proposed within a month or so to call a meeting to discuss it."

HANDBALL. STANDING IN TOURNEY. At the J. B. A. A. matches on Saturday D. Jones and W. Jesse defeated R. Feden and K. Hughes, the score being 21-14, 21-17.

THE HUNT. SATURDAY'S RUN. Fourteen riders, including three ladies, took part in the run of the Victoria Hunt Club on Saturday.

GOLF. MONTHLY WINNERS. The monthly medal competition of the Victoria Golf Club was held on Saturday on the Oak Bay links.

PATENT OFFICE REPORT. Rowland Britain, patent attorney of Vancouver, sends the following report on patents granted to British Columbia inventors during the past week:

A PIRATE AMONG PLANTS. Wild Fig of Mexico Choked to Death the Peaceful Palm.

HIGH SCHOOL vs. COLLEGIATE. The High school won from the Collegiate school on Saturday morning by eleven points (one goal and two tries) to nil.

BONAVENTURE WON. The game between the Bonaventure fifteen and a mixed team from the city,

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MILITARY NEWS AND GOSSIP

In the Times of Tuesday last was published a dispatch from London which read, in part, as follows: "It is officially announced that the government intends the withdrawal of Imperial forces from Halifax, but no decision has yet been reached as to Esquimaux. The fact that the centre of the world's military and naval interest is now on the Pacific may save the station from reduction, but a speedy announcement of the government's intentions is expected."

An interview with Lieut.-Col. English, in command of the forces stationed at Work Point, was obtained by the Times on Thursday. As yet, he says, he is without official information of any contemplated change, and does not look for it until the Imperial government meets and the policy of Sir John Fisher, newly appointed senior sea lord of the admiralty, is submitted.

Lieut.-Col. English, however, does not think that the proposed alterations will provide for a reduction in the strength of the permanent Work Point force. It might involve other alterations as to the local defence, but the numbers would hardly be reduced to any material extent. Without a doubt the object of the withdrawal of military and naval forces from various outlying stations is not only to secure concentration of force and better organization, but to reduce the expense of maintenance. Therefore, if the Canadian government proffers assistance in the defence of the Halifax and Esquimaux stations, there is every reason to believe it will be accepted. The positions mentioned will probably be garrisoned with the same strength of Canadian regulars.

The suggestion that the defence of these important coast stations is to be left entirely in the hands of the militia, Lieut.-Col. English says it is hard to believe. In fact he considers it highly improbable that the authorities will decide upon such a step. Two important places like Halifax and Esquimaux will require regulars to maintain their efficiency. Of course the militia at both points can render valuable assistance in cases of emergency. But it would be unwise to entrust them with the whole defence.

In the course of the conversation Lieut.-Col. English mentioned the fact that the many fortifications which guarded the shores of the Old Country were provided with a permanent fixture. This policy, he believed, would not be departed from in the Imperial defences of the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard of the Dominion.

Outside the reduction of the expense, what the authorities were seeking, he explained, was concentration. At present there were many unimportant stations where small forces were unnecessarily maintained. These, he thought, would be recalled. These large forces might be located at different central points from where they could be sent at a minute's notice to any part of the world in defence of British interests. Under such an arrangement the Esquimaux would have the advantage of more thorough instruction in modern military tactics than was now possible. Therefore, besides concentration, a great improvement in the general organization of the armies would be obtained.

Regarding the intention of the authorities with respect to the Esquimaux naval strength, Lieut.-Col. English could say nothing of an official character. However, he thought it not unlikely that a strong flying squadron would be established on the Pacific. In this case its headquarters would, no doubt, be on the China coast. Under the present conditions, however, the local station would have to be kept in its present state of efficiency. All officials now employed there would retain their positions, because on every visit of the squadron there would be considerable repairing necessary. At any rate Esquimaux always would be very important as a coaling station.

As mentioned in these columns, Col. Holmes, D. O. C., and Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment, recently inspected the armories of the respective companies of the local militia. In this connection Capt. Currie, of No. 1 company, recently received the following self-explanatory letter:

Victoria, B. C., November 29th, 1904. To O. C. No. 1 Co.: Sir—I have great pleasure in informing you that the D. O. C. instructed me on Wednesday to express the great approval of the condition of the stores in your armory on his inspection. I believe as a matter of fact this has been the first time when the D. O. C. has found an armory complete in every respect. Would you kindly make the fact known to the members of your company and express my appreciation of the high state of discipline in your company to which this satisfactory result must be attributed. JOHN A. HALL, Lieut.-Col., Comd. 5th Regt. C. A.

Needless to say Capt. Currie is exceedingly gratified at the compliment paid his department by the inspecting officers. It is understood he intends issuing a company order including the communication.

"A perusal of the pay clauses of the new regulations and orders which came into force on November 1st will force one to the very unsatisfactory conclusion that the emoluments of officers are by them in effect reduced," says the Canadian Military Gazette.

"Along the line of practical benefit nothing has been done in years so useful to the force as the granting of efficiency pay to the men; its result was apparent in increased numbers and better physique in the recent camps, and a yet better showing will be made because of it in 1905. But while increased remuneration for the men is far more important than for the officers, the latter are subject to payments for uniform, regimental and company expenses, etc., which are a heavy drain, and the financial burden should not be increased by a lessening of what has been hitherto received. A superficial glance at the new rates would leave the impression that officers' pay had been increased, not decreased, and so far as lieutenants and other officers not regimental or company C. O.'s are concerned, this is true. A few cents per day have been added to the pay of officers when in camp; for instance, a lieutenant commanding a regiment will receive some \$1.08 more for his twelve

days' drill than formerly, and officers junior to that rank will benefit in proportion.

"This small increase, however, is far more than offset by the new rules governing the pay of officers commanding regiments, batteries, squadrons, companies, etc., under the title of command pay and drill instruction. We cannot do better than quote section 902 verbatim, as a foundation for our argument. It reads as follows: 'Officers commanding squadrons, field batteries, garrison artillery companies, engineer units, infantry companies, army service companies, bearer companies, or field hospital companies will be granted \$1 per non-commissioned officer and man actually present at the training for command pay, drill instruction and postage.' Let us see how this will work out with the most numerous unit to which it applies—a company of infantry. The strength of such an one used to be 42 men, and the command pay \$40, with \$2 added for postage, or \$42 in all. For the last three or four years companies have been ordered out in varying strength, sometimes not more than 20 per company; but let us suppose a camp in which the companies are called upon to turn out 42 strong. If a captain is lucky enough to recruit to full strength, he will get his \$42 under the regulations, just as he got \$42 under the old. More, however, he would not get. The only chance of a change then would be for the worse. Recruiting conditions differ widely in different parts of the country. In some localities officers commanding companies have to turn men away because restricted as to the number they can take to camp, while in other parts the most energetic officers possibly turn out more than 25 to 30 men. Some difference should undoubtedly be made between a fairly full company and a mere skeleton, but the present per capita test does not appear to us as a fair one."

The six-inch Brown wire gun, which has been building at the Scott Iron works in Reading, Pa., has been completed. It was finally inspected by an expert sent by the United States government, and will be shipped to the proving ground at Sandy Hook.

The workmanship on this modern cannon is of the best. It has a nine-inch powder chamber, which will hold from sixty to seventy pounds of the best smokeless powder. The shot will weigh 100 pounds, and at an elevation of forty-five degrees the cannon will hurl a projectile from twenty-five to thirty miles. A ten-inch Brown gun, it is estimated, will send a shot fifty miles. The charge of powder to be used will be twenty to thirty pounds greater than that used in any six-inch gun known. The chamber will have a volume of 3,000 cubic inches, and the inventor says that he expects to fire the gun under a pressure of over 65,000 pounds to the square inch.

It is asserted that the gun will stand a pressure of 50,000 pounds to the square inch at the muzzle without the slightest danger, and fully twice that pressure at breech. The breech of the gun is of the ordinary interrupted screw, made extra large and strong, and is opened and closed with a one motion lever.

The cannon will be mounted on an improved seven-inch navy carriage.

Preparations for the regimental smoking concert to be held in A. O. U. W. hall on Friday evening, December 9th, are proceeding apace. The special committee in charge of the arrangements is sparing no pains to make the affair most successful. A splendid programme is assured. It is announced that No. 1 company association intend supplying a special attraction, and in all probability the other five companies of the corps will follow this example. Vocal and instrumental selections are to be rendered by the best local talent, while eloquent addresses have been promised by prominent officers and a number of civilians. Fine cigars and first class tobacco will be depended upon to promote sociability. Therefore there can be no doubt of the function's success.

Examinations are in progress among members of the local militia. Those who have attended the last school of instruction—the third since the inauguration of the new system of promotion—are trying. They have already been tested in one or two subjects. The examinations will be continued on the evenings of Monday and Wednesday at the drill hall.

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Because a Miss Adams, with whom he had lived at a Lexington avenue hotel, New York, for several weeks, repeatedly refused his requests that a marriage ceremony be performed, Edward L. Gray, a civil engineer, shot himself on Saturday, and died instantly.

ROSSLAND MINES.

Shipments Last Week Amounted to 7,350 Tons.

The production for the mines of Rossland for the past week was 7,350 tons, a little over 1,000 tons a day. The most important find of which mention is made is the discovery of a good-sized ledge of ore on the 1,450-foot level of the Le Roi. The finding of good ore at this depth is encouraging, as it leads to the belief that when still greater depths are reached more large and richer ore chutes will be encountered. One very good authority in the camp on mining is firmly of the belief that at a depth of 2,000 feet a second series of rich chutes will be met, which he holds will be even richer than those found near the surface. He is a warm advocate of deeper mining.

The finds made on the 300 and 500-foot levels of the Le Roi No. 2 are being developed with satisfactory results, and it is thought they will yield a large tonnage of high-grade ore.

Following are shipments for the past week, ending on Saturday: Le Roi, 3,024 tons; Centre Star, 1,080 tons; Centre Star (milled), 720 tons; War Eagle, 960 tons; War Eagle (milled), 720 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 570 tons; Jumbo, 216 tons; Velvet-Portland (milled), 30 tons; White Bear, 230 tons. Total for week, 7,350 tons; total for year, 322,193 tons.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Rev. Ernest W. Summerscales, M. A., the new vicar of All Saints' church at Cedar Cove, is expected to arrive in the city on Friday next, and will at once take charge of the parish.

During the vacancy in the vicarship of A BROKEN-DOWN SYSTEM.

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Holy Trinity church, Fairview, caused by the resignation of Rev. J. Antle, the Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath will have charge of the services.

An inquest on the body of William Cann, the young man killed by falling from a Powell street car on Thursday afternoon, was held by Coroner McGillivray on Friday. The only evidence was that of H. W. Vanderwalker, the motor-man, and Dr. Underhill. The jury, after a short deliberation, brought in a verdict of accidental death.

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Re-opening of Dominion Government MARINE SCHOOL. The Marine School will reopen on the 5th December, 1904, in the room adjoining the Office of the Agent of Marine and Fisheries.

Municipal Election, 1905. Notice is hereby given that in order to qualify as voters at the forthcoming Municipal Election, either as license holders or householders, such persons are required during the month of December to make and subscribe before a Supreme or County Court Judge, Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, Commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court, Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, the statutory declaration provided by the "Municipal Elections Act."

TENDERS WANTED. Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Thursday, December 15th. For the Dipper Dredge "Factories," as she now lies on the north arm of the Fraser River below New Westminster. The Dredge was built for gold dredging purposes, and is thoroughly well equipped. The machinery was supplied by the Marlow Co., and is all in first-class order, the capacity of the bucket being 2 1/2 cubic feet.

NOTICE. We, the undersigned, being petitioners for the incorporation of the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a Municipality, hereby give notice of our intention to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for Letters Patent under Public Seal incorporating the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a District Municipality (excepting only such portions thereof as form Indian Reservations), under the name of The Corporation of the District of Saanich. ANDREW STRAUCHAN, STUART YATES, JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the "Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886," Chapter 92, the Taylor Mill Company, Limited, of Victoria, B. C., has applied to the Governor-General in Council for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a new wooden wharf adjoining the present wharf of the said Company in Rock Bay, in the harbor of the said City of Victoria.

NOTICE. A plan of the said proposed works and improvements and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same, has been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicate thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid. Victoria, B. C., the first day of December, 1904. FELL & GREGORY, Solicitors for the said Taylor Mill Company, Limited.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next sitting for a transfer of the retail liquor license now held by me in respect of the premises situate on Lot 225, Victoria, known as the Belmont Saloon, to John Morgan. PETER WOLFF, By His Attorney in Fact A. W. Jones, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 11th, 1904.

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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Nor more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location. A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lots or vein. The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 not more than 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 1/4 per cent. of the sales of the products of the location. Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T. excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 640 feet square, entry fee, \$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench claims, the former being 200 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only one lease of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have or may have claims, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dig to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease and the area of the lease is less than five miles, a higher rate of royalty or fraction is sufficient. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, renewable. The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, the boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, \$100 per mile of river leased. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the bank, and the width of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days of the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction. The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate. The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,500 feet in length, if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller. No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miner may work his claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200. A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner. The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette. Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected an area of 1,920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of \$1 an acre, and the remaining area of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of \$3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order in Council. JAMES A. SMART, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior, Dept. Interior.

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Members of an alleged gang of pretended constables, who have been raiding slot machines in suburban saloons, encountered a severe check Saturday at Blue Island, Georgia. During a saloon fray one of the supposed constables was killed and another wounded.

A royal commission is to be appointed to inquire into the differences between the Free Church of Scotland and the United Presbyterian church.

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LOCAL NEWS

A billiard match will be played between Messrs. John and Walton this evening at the Driad hotel. It is one of the tournament series.

As will be seen by his advertisement on the 8th page of this issue, T. Plimley has moved his entire stock of bicycles, gramophones, etc., etc., also his workshop to his Government street store, closing up the Broad street branch for good. His stock is now complete and up-to-date.

The funeral of Mrs. W. J. E. Clode took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence "Glenford," and at Christ church cathedral at 3 o'clock. The Right Rev. Bishop Perrin officiated, and the following acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. Geo. Rogers, H. J. Dunn, P. C. Daykin and Roby Daykin. Many beautiful floral tributes were presented.

Steamer City of Puebla sailed last evening for San Francisco carrying 19 steerage and the following saloon passengers: John Cober, N. Nelson, Miss M. Dickinson, Master Norman Dickinson, W. B. Parker, R. Denison, Mrs. Hansen and Mrs. Rowlett. The steamer Umattila, of the same line, arrived from the Bay City on Saturday evening.

The Ladies' Aid of Emmanuel Baptist church will hold a parlor social and sale of work at the home of Mrs. Dier, 45 Fernwood road, on Tuesday, commencing at 2 p. m. There are a great many pretty and useful articles to be sold, including dainty Christmas presents, children's clothes, ladies' aprons, etc. Light refreshments will be served during the afternoon and evening.

A large number attended the rally held yesterday morning and evening at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Esquimalt road. In the forenoon Dr. Bolton gave an address on "Scientific Temperance" and Mrs. Giffin rendered an excellent vocal selection. Mrs. Jenkins spoke in the evening, relating a number of reminiscences of temperance work in past years. Two anthems were contributed by the choir.

A decision has been rendered by Judge De Haven in the United States District court, San Francisco, in favor of the British ship Drummerig Company, Limited, of Victoria, against the British ship Loch Trool. During a storm on March 10th of this year while the ships Drummerig and Loch Trool were tied up at Oakland creek, the latter drifted on to the former and injured her considerably. The court held that the plea of the defence that it was an inevitable accident was not sustained. There was sufficient warning of the approach of the storm, and it was the duty of the

master of the Loch Trool to put out more lines.

Those having charge of the grand entertainment to be given on Wednesday evening at the Victoria theatre are doing everything possible to make it successful from every standpoint. The programme, published in Saturday's Times, speaks for itself. It includes contributions by the best local talent. The merit of the concert should not, however, be its only drawing card. The proceeds are to be devoted to a worthy cause—that of maintaining incipient consumptives at the proposed sanitarium.

LEGAL NEWS.

Applications in Chambers—County Court Is Sitting To-Day, Presided Over by Judge Harrison.

In Chambers this morning several applications were heard by Mr. Justice Duff.

Letters of administration were granted in the estate of M. A. Chantrel, on application by B. G. Goward.

A probate of will was granted in the estate of A. J. Marks, on application of Lindley Orase.

On application of F. G. Barnard the official administrator was appointed in the estate of Anna Sich.

An habeas corpus application was made by A. L. Belyea on behalf of Jasper, one of those charged with assaulting Alex. McLeod. The application was refused.

County court is sitting to-day, with Judge Harrison presiding. Quite a number of uninteresting cases came up. The case of Hepburn vs. Barrett was one in which the plaintiff attempted to get judgment for cigars delivered to the defendant at White Horse in 1902. The latter held that the cigars were only given to him to sell as many as he could, but that he did not purchase the cigars and was therefore not liable for the full amount. Judgment with costs was given in favor of the plaintiff. W. Moresby for plaintiff, H. Dallas Helmecken for defendant.

In Chadwick vs. Thomey the plaintiff sought to get judgment for the payment of an order given by the defendant upon the Victoria Sealing Company. The defendant, a mate on one of the sealing company's schooners, contended that he must have been drunk when he signed the order and could recall nothing as to the amount. His counsel, Geo. Morphy, further held that under the Seamen's Act this could not be collected. Judgment was reserved. J. P. Walls appeared for the plaintiff.

The three men charged with assaulting Alex. McLeod, street car conductor, near Esquimalt, elected to-day before Judge Harrison. They decided to take speedy trial, and the hearing was fixed for 2 o'clock on Monday. The men are Jasper, Worth and Sreok.

Ship Chandlery Varnishes Hardware Brushes Paints and Oils 74 and 76 Gasoline

FROM SOUTH AND EAST.

Residents of California and Manitoba Decide to Make Homes in Victoria.

Every day the beneficial results of Tourist Association work are becoming more apparent. This morning Secretary Cuthbert received two calls at his office, Fort street, which are of peculiar interest. One visitor, Jas. W. Bennett, volunteered the information that he hailed from Pasadena, California, and had become dissatisfied with the unrelenting heat of the Sunny South and decided to come to Victoria, where, he understood, there were no extremes in temperature. The second caller was from Manitoba, and had come to the coast to avoid the severe cold which prevailed throughout the winter. These two gentlemen were introduced, and in the conversation agreed that Victorians enjoyed an ideal climate. Both have decided to take up their residence here.

A number of important matters will come up for consideration at the next meeting of the Victoria Tourist Association, to be held to-morrow afternoon. Mr. Cuthbert is particularly anxious that all members should attend.

LEADER IS HERE.

J. A. Macdonald, of Rossland, Is Spending a Few Days in Victoria.

J. A. Macdonald, M. P. P., of Rossland, leader of the opposition in the local legislature, arrived in the city on Saturday evening. As previously referred to, he was one of those who, on account of the delay in taking part in the complimentary banquet tendered Hon. Senator Templeman, Mr. Macdonald regrets very much that he was not able to attend. The senator, however, the Senator, he considered, was well deserved, and he would have liked very much to have contributed towards it that evening.

Mr. Macdonald will leave this evening for his home. He finds it necessary to return at once on account of an important legal business requiring attention. During his short stay in the city he has been in the opportunity of meeting with various members of the local legislature. Mr. Macdonald is patiently awaiting the unfolding of the government's policy with respect to the construction of a bridge across the strait, and it is apparently prepared for almost anything from the Premier and his followers.

FIRST-CLASS PROGRAMME

Is Being Presented at the Grand Theatre This Week.

Seven big acts, everyone a headliner, is the banner programme offered at the Grand theatre, on Johnson street, this week, beginning to-night. Manager Jamieson states that the excellence of each item on the bill, as well as the variety, places this programme ahead of possibly any that have preceded it.

The star trio is composed of Jennings O'Brien, Horace Mann and Miss Cora Franks. They present an original comedy entitled "Our Uncle," which has made an enormous hit in Portland, Oregon, and is, in every respect, a comedy which is bright and clean, is uproariously funny, and is made the vehicle for the introduction of singing, as well as high-class instrumental work. Le Bary, the promoter of this big musical movement, largely to the entertainment. The Irving orchestra, and a strong and representative instrumental band, will contribute to the entertainment. The Irving orchestra, and a strong and representative instrumental band, will contribute to the entertainment.

A system of heating has just been installed in the Grand theatre, and the weather, which, with the excellent provision for ventilation, places the comfort of the theatre under the most favorable management, and makes the Grand one of the costliest places of amusement in the city.

MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

Works Chosen for Festival—Rehearsals Will Shortly Begin.

It will be recalled that a public meeting was held at the city hall on September 27th to consider an invitation issued to the people of the city to take part in a cycle of musical festivals extending from one end of Canada to the other. At this meeting it was unanimously decided to accept the invitation, and a strong and representative committee was appointed to arrange the details of the scheme with Mr. Harris, Alex. McLeod, and other interested parties. The committee have so far concluded that their labors are to be able to make an interesting announcement concerning the festival will be given by the Mayor at the festival programme. One night of the festival will be devoted to Handel's "Messiah," which has been chosen in response to a very generally expressed wish of the musical public for that work. On the second night Elgar's "Banquet of St. George" and Coleridge-Taylor's "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast" will be performed, both works by modern composers, which, together with the "Messiah," make up a programme so widely diversified as to appeal to all musical tastes. Rehearsals for the "Messiah" will begin on Wednesday, January 4th. Those wishing to become members of the chorus are requested to make application to the associate conductor, G. Hills, or to the honorary secretary, G. Phillips, by December 15th. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has accepted the presidency of the festival, and His Worship the Mayor has become honorary patron. The fund to guarantee the members of the chorus against possible financial loss is rapidly growing, and will shortly represent the sum of \$1,000. The list of guarantors will be published in these columns as they are received.

As previously stated, the festival in Victoria will be one of a great chain of festivals extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, including every city of importance throughout the Dominion. Sir Alexander Mackenzie, president of the Royal Academy of Music, has been invited to conduct the festival. The soloists will come from England, and an orchestra will be engaged in Eastern Canada for the whole tour.

Canon Beaudouin, who has been absent in England on furlough for upwards of a year, returned on Saturday evening, accompanied by members of his family.

JEWEL ROBBERY.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 5.—Four thousand dollars' worth of diamonds and jewelry was stolen on Saturday night from Lowe's store, Cordova street. The police are in communication with the authorities in Seattle.

MET LUMBERMEN.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 5.—Senator Templeman, Ralph Smith, M. P., and others today met the lumbermen at the board of trade rooms and discussed the lumber question in detail. Further recommendations are to be made to the government.

LAD AT REST.

Funeral of Mrs. Davie Took Place This Morning.

The funeral of Mrs. Constance Langford Davie took place this morning from Cloumore House, the residence of her son-in-law, A. E. McPhillips, K. C., and later from St. Andrew's cathedral. There was very large attendance. The funeral cortege at the cathedral, pontifical requiem high mass was celebrated by His Grace Bertram Orde, Archbishop of Victoria, assisted by Rev. W. Fisser, as deacon, and Rev. W. Stanilans, as sub-deacon. The master of ceremonies was Rev. J. Lutzner, who also officiated at the cemetery.

The choir of the cathedral were in attendance and assisted in the impressive service. As the procession moved out of the cathedral the solemn strains of Frederick Chopin's funeral march were played by Miss Marrack, the organist of the choir.

"DOROTHY" TO-NIGHT.

Clever Amateurs Will Present Charming Comic Opera at the Victoria.

At the Victoria theatre this evening the first performance of "Dorothy," the charming comic opera in which Mrs. Bridges and Madame Myre and a company of clever amateurs have been indefatigably engaged for some time past, will be given, and those who have followed the rehearsals guarantee an excellent performance. Special attention has been devoted to the costumes and mountings, and no requisite feature will be omitted. Each member of the company is capital in his or her part, and those responsible for the performance are to be congratulated on the progress made. It is to be hoped that the play will turn out in large numbers to encourage the young amateurs, who will give an excellent account of themselves. The cast of characters has already been given by the Times, but for general information it is again published. Dorothy, the heroine, is played by Miss Lena Brandford; Lydia, her cousin, Miss Ethel Green; Phyllis, the village maiden, Miss Knesaway; Mrs. Pritchard, the frisky widow, Madame Myre; Lady Betty, a stately person, Mrs. Gallego; Wilkie, the Squire's graceless nephew, John Petch; the Squire's equally wild friend, Robert Petch; Squire Bantam, a pompous old gentleman, Cecil Berkeley; Farmer Topknot, a brace of grouse, etc., were given by Mrs. Taylor and the Misses Sell were busy announcing the number of winning tickets, and making corresponding distribution from the stock in trade. Among other things a return ticket to Vancouver and one to Seattle, a brace of grouse, etc., were given to lucky ticket holders. The reduction of prices on ladies' fancy wear, announced in the Times on Saturday, had attracted many and the number of those who resembled bargain day at some large emporium.

BAZAAR CLOSED

After Most Successful Week—Results of Drawings and Voting Contest.

The annual bazaar under the auspices of the ladies of St. Andrew's Catholic cathedral was closed on Saturday evening. It has been most successfully conducted throughout the week. A large crowd gathered at the institute hall on the last afternoon and evening of the function; the different booths received so much patronage that it was difficult for the managers to attend to the wants of all, and the various raffles and contests were participated in with the utmost enthusiasm. There was no special programme on Saturday night, the ladies having their attention occupied in superintending the drawings and disposing of articles in demand.

Without a doubt the booth which attracted most attention was that of the "corner grocery," where Mrs. A. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Taylor and the Misses Sell were busy announcing the number of winning tickets, and making corresponding distribution from the stock in trade. Among other things a return ticket to Vancouver and one to Seattle, a brace of grouse, etc., were given to lucky ticket holders. The reduction of prices on ladies' fancy wear, announced in the Times on Saturday, had attracted many and the number of those who resembled bargain day at some large emporium.

Of the raffles, the one for the handsome \$200 clock presented by Mrs. Macaulay probably proved most general interest. A great many tickets were issued, and when the drawing took place a large number of eager spectators gathered round. The winning ticket was \$5 and was held by Capt. Barry.

In the voting competition for a gold headed cane for the most popular medical practitioner, Dr. O. M. Jones was successful. The figures were as follows: Dr. Jones, 655; Dr. Robertson, 574; Dr. F. Hall, 666. Dr. Yates made the presentation and the recipient responded in suitable terms.

The drawings were as follows: Centre piece, Mrs. Harris, Fort street; netball centre piece, Mrs. Janelle, Alfred street; lace collar, Mrs. McDonald, Commodore street; fancy doll, Miss K. McEabe, embroidered cushion, No. 38, Esquimalt; obelisk set, Mrs. George Murray, Vancouver street; corner cover, Mrs. E. F. Badiger; order on tailor, R. Davenne, Blanchard street; Xmas cake, Mrs. J. Williams, Port Renfrew; red satin cushion, No. 2, Victoria; cup and saucer, Mrs. W. Anderson, Johnson street; box chocolate, Mrs. Haymond, Belleville street; toilet cloth, Mrs. P. Smith, Osborne House; lace handkerchief, J. Thompson, Montreal street; pink silk centre piece, Mrs. Sweeney, Johnson street; gold fish, F. Baylis, club; banner Mary Manning, Capt. Barry, Fort street; satin rose cushion, Mrs. A. Briggs; tray, B. J. Perry, World's Fair; pillow, Dr. Yates, Victoria; vase, Harry D. McDowell; Gibson head, Mrs. Godfrey, Rae street; spinning ball, Veronika Moss, Rae street; set set, Mrs. Veronika, Mason street.

Those in charge wish to thank local merchants for their kindness in donations in kind to the bazaar and other assistance. They also wish to announce that a few drawings that could not be completed on Saturday evening have been arranged to take place to-night between 8 and 8.30 o'clock. All interested are invited to attend.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Second-hand invalid's street chair. Apply Box 7, Times Office.

WANTED—A respectable boy for delivery. Apply 52 Fort street.

A SNAP—For sale, small house and lot, between Oak Bay avenue and Jubilee hospital; price \$400; payable \$25 cash, balance \$10 monthly instalments; no interest. D., Times Office.

LOST—A Gordon setter pup, 5 months old, white spot on breast. Reward for finder from F. C. Smith, Fairfield Dairy, Moss street.

BAZAAR AND ENTERTAINMENT—Next Tuesday afternoon and evening, in First Presbyterian Church Hall, under auspices of young people. Admission, afternoon free; evening, including entertainment, 15 cents.

REVIVAL—Miss Maude Underhill, eloquent. Tuesday, Dec. 6th, at Calvary Baptist Church. Admission free. Collection.

THE VICTORIA NO. 2 BUILDING SOCIETY—The fifth drawing for an appropriation in connection with the above Society will be held at the secretary's office, 15 Troncau avenue, at 8 p. m., on Thursday, 8th December, 1904. See that your shares are in good standing. By order, A. St. G. Flint, secretary.

SHOT AFTER WEDDING.

Traveller Alleged to Have Killed Man Whose Sister He Married Two Hours Later.

(Associated Press.)

Dandridge, Tenn., Dec. 5.—Thomas Clark, son of a former county sheriff, and now travelling for a Knoxville house, is under arrest at Rutledge charged with the murder of Charles Mallico, whose sister Clark married two hours after the tragedy.

The principals were among the attendants at a wedding, and at its conclusion went to Mallico's home, accompanied by Miss Mallico. After remaining a short time at the Mallico home, Clark and the young lady left. They were followed by Charles Mallico. Soon after the couple's departure Mallico was killed by a shot from the buggy. Clark and the young woman proceeded to the home of a minister, where they were married.

Owing to the prominence of the families the affair has created a sensation.

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