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President's Message

To Congress is Largely Devoted to a Review of the Situation in China.

Present Conditions Indicate That All Trouble Will be Completely Settled.

The Opening of the Empire-Alaskan Boundary Question-South African Shipping.

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 3.—President McKinley's annual message to Congress opens with a brief survey of the growing strength and increasing power for good of Republic institutions and American liberty at the outgoing of the old and the incoming of the new century.

The Chinese problem is made the dominant question in the foreign intercourse, and an elaborate review is made of details of military operations and diplomatic steps taken in the progress of settlement up to the present time, and which have been made known to the public by official announcements in the past.

The circular note to the powers of July 3d is cited and re-affirmed, and the opinion is expressed that conditions give hope of a complete settlement of all questions involved.

The securing of an adequate guarantee for liberty of

faith is put forward as one of the essential factors of a durable adjustment:

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foreign worship and teaching than would be the direct invasion thereof."

Touching on the possible inability of China to pay a sufficient money indemnity, the President says: "I am disposed to think that due compensation may be made in part by increased guarantees of security for foreign communities, and most important of all, by the opening of China to equal commerce of all the world. These views have been and will be earnestly advocated by our representatives."

In the event of protracted divergence of views in the negotiations, the President favorably inclines to Russia's suggestion that the matter of indemnity be relegated to the court of arbitration at the Hague.

Uncertainty is expressed as to the prospect of our well-nigh extinguished German trade under the new burden of meat inspection law, and the confident hope is expressed that further regulations will be free from past discriminations.

Goodwill prevails in our relations with the German Empire.

An amicable adjustment of long pending questions of administration of our life insurance companies to do business in Prussia has been reached. One of the principal companies has already been re-admitted, and the way is open for the others to share the privilege.

The settlement of the Samoan problem, to which I adverted in my last message, has accomplished good results.

"Our friendly relations with Great Britain continue. The war in South Africa introduced important questions. A condition unusual in international warfare was presented in that while one belligerent had control of seas, the other had no port, shipping or direct trade, but was only accessible through the territory of a neutral. Vexatious questions arose through Great Britain's action in respect to neutral cargoes, not contraband in their own nature, shipped to Portugal.

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The New Parliament

Formal Opening To-day, but Queen's Speech Will Not Be Read Until Thursday.

One Member, in Order to Obtain a Seat, Arrived at Midnight.

There Was No Opposition to the Re-Election of Speaker Gully.

(Associated Press)

London, Dec. 3.—The opening of the initial session of the fifteenth parliament of Queen Victoria occurred at 2 o'clock this afternoon. It was a formal affair and of little public interest.

There was the usual competition of neutral members of parliament to be first on the scene, and Mr. J. C. Macdonald, Conservative member for the Rotherhithe division of Southwark, easily secured the choice of seats, arriving in the House at midnight.

Although the only business before the House was the election of a Speaker, the attendance of members was good, in spite of the absence of Irish members. The leaders were cordially welcomed by their supporters.

General Sir Michael Biddulph, the gentleman usher of Black Rod, summoned the members to the Upper House to hear the reading of the Queen's commission declaring the election of a Speaker. This did not occupy any length of time as there was no opposition to the re-election of Mr. Wm. Court Gully for a third term. Congratulatory speeches followed.

Tuesday and Wednesday will be mainly devoted to swearing in members. The real work of the session will begin Thursday with the reading of the Queen's speech, and the debates in reply to the address from the throne in both Houses.

The House of Commons eventually adjourned until 2:45 p.m. to-morrow.

FATAL COLLISION.

Eleven Persons Reported to Have Been Killed and Twenty Injured.

(Associated Press)

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 3.—The fatal collision on the Mexican Central are incalculable. Engineer Ross and Firemen Reeves and Harverson, of the freight train, were killed. Most of the dead and wounded are Mexicans, who were riding cars next to the engine. It is now said the collision was on the main line near Jimilico, between a freight and a passenger train, and that it caused the death of 11 people and the injury of 26.

MRS. LANGTRY.

The Actress Reported to Have Separated from Her Husband.

(Associated Press)

Toronto, Dec. 3.—The Mail and Empire publishes a dispatch from London to the effect that Mrs. Langtry has separated from her young husband, De Bathe.

NOTES FROM NANAIMO.

(Special, to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Dec. 3.—A fifteen round fight took place on Saturday night in the opera house between Frank Hazelton, "The Bellingham Bay Cyclone," and Henry Lawless, heavyweight amateur. Hazelton failed to knock out Lawless, who showed great grit and staying power.



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Virtually Prisoners

Chinese Minister Says Emperor and Empress Dowager Cannot Return to Pekin.

Germany Has Not Changed Her Attitude Regarding Punishment of Officials.

Pekin, Dec. 1.—The British, German and United States ministers met this morning in conference. Though the ministers refused to discuss the object of the meeting, it is generally believed that Mr. Conger requested their presence on receiving a message from Washington affecting positions in the joint agreement.

Li Hung Chang has received a dispatch from the court, which has agreed either to behead or otherwise kill Yu Hsien, formerly governor of Shan Si, who personally killed many Christians. The Emperor will send Yu Hsien a silk cord, which is an intimation that he must hang himself.

Mr. James Ragdale, United States consul at Tien Tsin, reports increasing activity among the Boxers in the neighborhood of that city.

Germany's Attitude.

Berlin, Dec. 1.—Germany has not indicated a disposition to modify her demands for the punishment of the guilty Chinese officials, since she does not yet know what different powers want.

"Germany, above all," an official said, "wants harmony of action. Germany foresees the note formulated by the Peikin ministers would not be accepted entirely by all the powers. We have to admit that several of the powers, including Russia, desire a change in several of the provisions. The whole matter is still involved in great uncertainty, so that it is impossible to predict what the final agreement will take."

The correspondent of the Associated Press interviewed to-day by a Chinese minister, who said:

"There cannot be a question of the execution of Prince Tsuan or Gen. Tung Fuh Sian, who are still in control of the court. They both keep the Emperor and Empress virtually prisoners. The court is unable to go to Pekin, even if inclined to do so; besides, the long journey from Shih Fu to Pekin, now that the snow is on the ground, is almost impossible, with the vehicles in use in those primitive days. Starting out the court is not feasible. The allies will be unable to carry out such a measure. Even if it were possible, the provinces would rise in a body to the court's defense. The worst feature is that the court has lost confidence in Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, who demonstrated their impotence to deal properly with the invading powers. Under these circumstances, it is certain the Chinese troubles cannot be adjusted before spring or summer."

Officials Alarmed.

Shanghai, Dec. 1.—Chinese officials are alarmed at the reports that the allies meditate an expedition into the Yang Tse Kiang valley, and there is renewed activity on the defences. Munitions of war, including twenty thousand guns and coin from the mints have been sent from Shanghai to the Kiang Yin forts.

A BATTLE ROYAL.

Fight Between a Deer and Cougar—Hunters' Description.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Grand Forks, B. C., Nov. 30.—A. R. Jones and John Sell, who have just returned from a hunting trip up the north fork of Kettle river, tell of witnessing an unusual battle, the participants being a large buck and cougar.

Their attention was attracted to the scene at the moment when the cougar launched himself upon the buck from the limb of a tree. He landed squarely upon the buck's shoulders, almost throwing him to the ground. The deer recovered in safety, however, and a battle royal commenced.

Thrusting his head back, the buck drove two prongs of his antlers into the cougar's body, and then with a swing forward threw him to the ground. Leaping backward he waited with lowered head for a second attack. The hunters ran forward until they were within 30 feet of the combatants, but so intent were they in settling their feud, they paid no attention to the intruders. The buck had not long to wait for renewal of the contest, for with a gow of pain and rage the cougar sprang upon him. He was dealtly caught on the buck's antlers and hurled high in the air. When he struck the ground the buck was upon him, striking savagely with his forefeet, which cut like knife blades, and driving his antlers again and again into his toe.

Finally they separated, but only for a second, for the cougar, by this time blinded with blood, and almost dismembered, crawled forward for the final death struggle. This time, however, the hunters interfered, and shot the cougar through the heart.

The buck walked up to him, struck him a few times with his feet, and then after sniffing at him and satisfying himself that the cougar was dead, slowly

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Brush With The Enemy

Thirty Five Boers Were Killed or Wounded by a Patrol of Constabulary.

Pathetic Scene at Windsor, When Her Majesty Addressed the Canadians.

Bloemfontein, O. R. C., Dec. 1.—A patrol of fourteen of the South African constabulary during the night of November 28th engaged a contingent from the Kassoboks commando, south-westward of this town. Thirty-five Boers are reported to have been killed or wounded.

A Touching Scene.

London, Dec. 1.—The redeeming feature of the week, from the British point of view, is the return of the Royal Canadian Regiment from South Africa, which affords the editorial writers a glorious opportunity for dilating on the solidity and splendor of the British Empire.

How truly pathetic was the meeting of the Queen and her Canadian soldiers seen to have escaped the English papers. Sitting in a carriage, the Queen watched intently the men as they marched by, within a few feet of her, and she commenced her speech in broken tones. It was only a few words, but before it was finished the tears rolled down Her Majesty's face and her voice broke, and at the end it was almost a sobs.

It is not astonishing, therefore, that when Col. Otter replied it was in trim tones, and not one of the men whom he led into nearly fifty engagements felt ashamed of the grizzled Colonel, because his cloak was wet with tears. Although so deeply affected, the Queen appeared to be enjoying her usual health.

The Canadians this evening visited the Guildhall, where the Lord Mayor again addressed them, thanking them, in the name of the citizens of London, for their great sacrifices and the heroism with which they had shown on the battlefield. Col. Otter, replying, said it was a proud moment when the Canadians were given the opportunity of testifying their loyalty and desire to serve the Queen, and protect and uphold the honor of the flag. The Queen, he added, might always count the loyalty of the Canadians.

Lloyd Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Canadian high commissioner, followed with a few graceful words of thanks for the reception accorded the Canadians.

Sailed from Liverpool.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Thirty invalided Indians, among whom are a number from the N. W. T., sailed from Liverpool on the Allan liner Tunisian for Halifax on Thursday.

Om Pan at Cologne.

Cologne, Dec. 1.—There was an extraordinary incident in Whiting Bay. An arrow, yesterday morning, connected with the recent union of the Scottish clergies; a number of anti-unionists were forcibly taken possession of the local Free church, and the officials barricaded the doors, whereupon the besiegers stormed the church and tried to force an entrance by way of the roof. Then they broke through a window, compelling the defenders of the edifice to retake at the point of a revolver.

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NICARAGUAN CANAL.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Secretary Hay, for the government of the United States, and Senator Correa, Nicaraguan minister for his own government, signed a treaty this morning whereby the latter government concedes to the government of the United States the right, and provides, with its bestowal, for the construction of the Nicaraguan canal.

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This signature is on every box of the genuine

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Marking the Boundary

Mr. Fraser Completes Delineation of B. C. Line From Teslin to Alsek.

Rich Possibilities of a District Which Has Been Hitherto Unexplored.

George White Fraser, of Toronto, who for the last two years has been engaged in determining the boundary line between British Columbia and the Northwest Territories, is in the city. Little has been heard of his work in the North, for the reason that Mr. Fraser has been most of the time in a country practically unexplored and unknown, where he was forced to depend upon the supplies carried by his pack animals for sustenance. His labors are now, however, practically completed, and an accurate boundary line, as a result, is now marked from Teslin Lake westward to the Dalton trail. East of Teslin Lake it still remains unmarked, but as that land is practically terra incognita, no necessity at present exists for prolonging the line in that direction.

The work which Mr. Fraser has carried out has been divided into two parts. The first year's work lay between Atlin City, or Bennett Lake, and Teslin Lake. The country was for the most part densely wooded with an undergrowth, and was marked by sloughs and swamps, which in following the inexorable line of the boundary, the survey party often became vexatiously entangled. This work began at Atlin City, where Mr. Brabant had previously marked out a boundary establishing Atlin City within this province. His survey was practically conformed by Mr. Fraser, the two officials differing little in the determination of the line of division.

The past summer's work has been much more arduous. It lay westward from Bennett Lake to the Alaska river, west of the Dalton trail, where the surveyor's labor for the year terminated rather abruptly on the 6th of October. Frost and snow had again warning that the labors of the party must soon terminate unless grave risks were to be run, and on the date mentioned they started out for Porcupine. The day following the crossing of the Summit a heavy snowfall came, and although three weeks were consumed in reaching the "outside," Mr. Fraser counted himself as very lucky indeed.

At Hesquiot he is now comfortably situated, and the mission of which he has charge has been most prosperous. A well attended mission school, with Rev. Father Manus in charge, has been established, and it is to the pupils of this institution that Rev. Father Brabant is taking the hand instruments, which he has brought from France. Rev. Father Manus, he says, is a trained musician, and will teach the Indian boys how to play.

Some years after Rev. Father Brabant located at Hesquiot he took a notion to go into the cattle raising business. He took several young head-down the coast from Victoria and turned them loose at Hesquiot. But from want of attention and domesticating the animals soon turned wild, and took to the woods. They multiplied very rapidly, and though many have since been shot by the Indians, they are believed to still number from one hundred to five hundred. Of late they have been staying far back from the coast, and the only knowledge which the venerable priest has now of their existence are the reports which the natives bring to Hesquiot now and again of their tracks having been discovered in the mountains some miles inland.

Rev. Father Brabant has been away several months, and while in France visited, of course, the World's Fair. His impressions of this were naturally many, and varied, but one conspicuous in his mind was the character of cheapness given the whole affair by the riff-raff element from all parts of the world allowed to do business on the grounds, and be a constant source of torment to the visitor.

The buildings of the exposition were marvels of grandeur and architecture, and he says it is a regrettable thing to have them torn down, as is proposed. In Belgium, he found the people about the same as when he saw them many years ago—a contented, happy population, who have never any desire or any reason to emigrate.

Father Brabant will leave for Berlin at present.

It is Mr. Fraser's intention to spend the winter in Victoria, and possibly to return North in the spring.

A BRIGHT IDEA.

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SUICIDE IDENTIFIED.

Buffalo, Dec. 1.—The woman who committed suicide yesterday at the Iroquois hotel has been identified as the wife of H. H. Albright, who was recently engaged in the hotel business in San Diego, Cal.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Stockholm, Dec. 1.—Olive Craan, a Swede, formerly assessor of the High court, and Gram, a Norwegian, formerly minister of state, have been appointed members of the International court of arbitration at the Hague.

The department of agriculture, Ottawa, has received a report from the agent of Liverpool, announcing the arrival of a consignment of poultry from the government fattening stations, in splendid condition.

A message received at Hamilton announces the death of Hon. Donald MacLean, member of the Dominion Senate and formerly of Hamilton. Senator MacLean was 76 years of age and one of Hamilton's leading citizens. He was a Conservative and was called to the Senate in December, 1881.

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Departmental Vigilance

Prompt Measures Taken to Protect Victoria From the Bubonic Scourge.

The Only Station in Canada Where Plague Toxine is Manufactured.

The announcement that Dr. Chas. Higgins, assistant pathologist of the department of agriculture, has terminated his duties at William Head quarantine station and will return in a few days to his regular duties at the experiment station at Outremont, near Montreal, revives interest in the work performed for the government this summer at the station mentioned under the direction of Dr. Higgins.

The excellent work which has been performed at the station, under the superintendence of Dr. Watt, in guarding against the introduction of disease in the ordinary way is comparatively well known. During the past summer, however, extraordinary conditions arose which created a feeling of the greatest uneasiness in the Pacific Coast relations which are brought in such close relationship through the medium of their shipping with the very sources of endemic diseases in the Orient. Added to the ordinary terrors of smallpox, leprosy, etc., were those of a more dread disease, Bubonic plague, the scourge of the East, was rampant in Kobe and other Chinese and Japanese cities, where a steady stream of emigration was pouring to the new world. This danger was increased many fold by the alarming increase in Oriental immigration. The Japanese, hitherto an insignificant fraction of the total, suddenly became the chief adventurers, coming by the thousands and by the ship load to a country where they enjoyed only riding disabilities.

The authorities were almost appalled, but they set to work vigorously to prevent a visitation of the scourge, and in their great delight, they had the cooperation of the central government at OTTAWA, which detached Dr. Higgins from his duties at Montreal for the purpose of bringing his bacteriological knowledge to bear upon the situation as he found it in British Columbia.

This official was sent out primarily to establish a laboratory with sufficient appliances to enable him to speedily diagnose cases of suspected bubonic plague should that disease make its appearance at the station. He was also instructed to manufacture in limited quantities Haffkine's prophylactic, which is a preventive to plague.

The first-mentioned part of his duties were certainly not light, as at that particular time the Japanese were pouring into the port of Victoria at the rate of thousands in a month. Coming from infected ports in such numbers, it is certainly a striking commentary on the vigilance of all officials there, that while San Francisco, Fort Townsend and other cities were suffering from this visitation, the city of Victoria escaped, without contamination.

The work involved in the preparation of Haffkine's prophylactic is not only interesting, but novel as well, as the only other government institution which carries it on is situated at Washington, D. C. The manufacture is sufficiently novel perhaps to bear elucidation. It is as follows: Having secured the germ of the bubonic plague, this germ is strengthened by passing through rats and guinea pigs until a germ is obtained which is sufficiently strong to kill one of these animals in two or three days. The germ is then taken from the animal and introduced into large flasks containing a nutritious liquid like beef-tea, upon which the germ thrives well. These flasks are then set in an oven where a temperature similar to that of the blood is maintained automatically, and allowed to remain for a period of four or five weeks. At the end of that time the flasks are removed from the oven and their entire contents sterilized by means of heat; it is then bottled and ready for use after the degree of strength is obtained by a complicated process, using guinea pigs to determine the dosage and the degree of immunity produced.

Haffkine's prophylactic is a toxicising balm, the toxic or poisonous product produced by this particular germ. It is injected subcutaneously, preferably in the flank region. Its introduction produces in the subject an immunity lasting from three to four months, the theory arising that its entrance to the system arouses in the blood cells such an active opposition that for several months subsequently they are enabled to overcome the living germ should it be accidentally introduced into the system. Having had a previous vaccination the blood cells are stimulated to increased activity in the presence of a certain living germ, and have the power of neutralizing its effects.

From the station at William Head, therefore, this preparation has been going out steadily to the central authorities at Ottawa ever since the arrival of Dr. Higgins here. But his work has not been confined to this alone. A biochemical laboratory, equipped with an acetyleine gas plant has been installed, and a limited, but in every sense a modern plant and stock secured to render more efficient the work of the station.

The prompt action taken by the department to meet the danger of the introduction of the plague can only be appreciated by those who are brought into touch with the shipping from the Orient and who know the grave risks which are run even under the most efficient system of quarantining. The city of San Francisco had an experience during the summer which cost that corporation an immense sum of money, and which acted as the strongest possible kind of trade deterrent during the time in which it obtained there. Fortunately indeed were those cities in which the vigilance of the officials was backed up by the active sympathy of the government.

It is reassuring to know also that although Dr. Higgins, to whom was assigned this special work, is returning to



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for her the admiration of all. The Bard, however, was a disappointment, and though looking in prime condition did not do what was expected of him in the way of speed. He came in second with Wallawa third and Karabel fourth. The last mentioned was running well and for a time looked as if she would capture one of the prizes at least when she lost the course.

His Eastern duties the plant will remain at the station, where it can be called on again at short notice should a recurrence of the epidemic occur next year.

MOVEMENTS OF WARSHIPS.

Condor Will Be an Acquisition to Fleet of This Station—Leander Still at Panama.

H. M. S. Phaeton which received orders a week or two ago to hold herself in readiness to proceed on short notice to Panama where a revolution is in progress, has not yet stirred from her moorings. She may at any time receive instructions to go to sea at short notice, as these have not come, the ship is not expected to sail before next month, when, according to pre-arranged plans, she was to go south; not, however, in connection with the revolution, although Panama would, under ordinary circumstances, be a point of call. The progress of the revolution there going on and being wage, it is said, between the citizens and soldiery, has not been learned, but it is understood that until that the Phaeton, which left Esquimal nine or ten days ago, reaches the scene of trouble, the Leander will not proceed on her homeward trip. The flagship will probably go south for a cruise in March.

Admiral Bickford, who succeeded Rear-Admiral Beaumont on the flagship, and whose picture appeared in Saturday's Times, is expected to arrive here sometime this week.

In reference to the Pheasant's relief the Naval and Military Record says:

"The Condor, having carried out her commissioned steam trials and also her turning trials without hitch, is now on her way to the Pacific. She will be an acquisition to the fleet on that station, as the Pheasant, her reliever, is

smaller and less heavily armed than the Condor. There is every reason to believe that the Condor will be as successful as her sister sloop Rosario, which is now serving on the China station."

The Rosario and Condor were the first sloops fitted with water-tube boilers, and neither has steam any trouble. Both are fitted with the Belleville type."

On her voyage here the Condor was to call at Portsmouth November 11th; Madras, November 20th; La Palmas, November 24th and St. Vincent December 2nd. She will also call at Pernambuco, December 18th; Montevideo, January 4th; Sandy Point, January 20th; Paraiso, February 2nd; Coquimbo, February 9th, leaving the last-named port four days later, for Esquimal, via Acapulco.

THE CEMENT WORKS.

Quite a Boom Expected in Real Estate in Consequence of Their Establishment.

The announcement made in Saturday's Times that a big American company were making arrangements to erect intensive cement works at Sidney, the terminus of the V. & S. railway, has naturally aroused a great deal of interest. Many were unaware that the alluvial clay necessary primarily for the manufacture of Portland cement was to be found in the vicinity. Inquiry, however, elicited the information that the presence of the necessary chalk or clay there has been known for a long time, and that a few years ago an attempt was made to organize a company to develop the deposit. The scheme fell through at that time, owing to the inability of the company to raise sufficient funds for the purpose.

Residents of the little peninsula town are quite optimistic regarding the future of the place. It is stated that the entire Brethour farm has been bonded by local real estate dealers, who saw in the fact that this was to be the landing place of the Great Northern ferry promise of enhanced values in property there.

Nothing further could be learned regarding this project of the cement works beyond the fact that the promoter, A. G. Wrigley's big g. Lightfoot, W. F. Burton's ch.m. Minovid, H. Hardy Simpson's k.t. Estella, F. B. Ward's b.m. Lady Douglass and H. H. Sperling's Pharoah.

The bunch took the first hurdle in magnificent procession, but from the second on accidents were the order of the race.

Jessica, one of the favorites and an animal which has considerable of a reputation for speed, threw its rider and was out of the fun early in the chase.

Disappointment's rider also went off, farther around Thunder's jockey seat.

Lightfoot's jockey also left the saddle, but mounting quickly fought out the race, coming home second. Minovid was splendidly ridden and came in a strong first and with a big lead, Estella being third.

The second race was more exciting, there being a field of nine competing, and no less than three of four tumblers, but fortunately no one was injured. All nine started in a bunch as follows: T. P. Pooley's Apollo and J. D. Pemberton's Starlight.

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THE CONTEST IN BURRARD.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser has in a measure shaken off its ponderosity and is putting up a vigorous fight of the characteristic Tory style for Mayor Gordon. The usual hypocritical pia is advanced that the race cry started by Mr. Tait must be put down, while Sir Hibbert has been shrieking anthems at the French-Canadians until he is almost black in the face because they rejected the advances of his father and himself when they offered to coerce Manitoba in return for the votes of the electors of Quebec. The race cry was raised by the Tories in 1896 when they introduced the Remodial Bill, which was intended to force Manitoba to restore separate schools. At the ensuing elections almost every bishop and priest in Quebec and Manitoba took the stump in the Conservative cause. But the name of Laurier carried greater weight with the simple habitant than the church with all its prestige and more force than the Tory party with all its wealth of patronage and its unprecedentedly large corruption fund. And so the race cry has assumed new form. Since it seems to be out of the question to secure an almost solid French vote for the Tory party as in the olden time, an effort must be made to consolidate the vote in other parts of Canada against Quebec. That is the only policy the Conservatives have had since the influence of the Toppers and the Wallaces has dominated the party. That is the policy that is being pursued in Burrard, and the Toppers and Mr. Clarke Wallace are responsible for the raising of the race and religion cry for the first time in the political history of British Columbia. Men who by reason of length of years and experience, men who have studied the history of the nations that have passed away forever, have with uplifted voice and inspired the torch of incendiarism that their course if persisted in would mean the undoing of Canada; they have pointed out that without perfect unity and confidence between the peoples of different origin in this country its future of great promise may be blighted and ruined. Writers of world-wide reputation like Gilbert Parker and many other men of less renown have spoken of the beautiful simplicity of character and attractive personality of the average French-Canadian. Many of these writers have expressed the pain they feel at the exhibitions which have recently been made of bigotry and intolerance towards this attractive race for no other reason than because the Conservative leaders think it may be used as a lever to lift themselves into power. The probable effects and the ultimate consequences they care nothing for. Power is the goal, and it does not matter what may be the cost to the country of its attainment. But some Conservatives are in revolt against the present policy of the leaders of the party—probably a great many more than even the chiefs are aware of, perhaps sufficient to convince them of the error of their ways if the leaders were of sufficiently large calibre to perceive the condition to which their incapacity and unscrupulousness have reduced the faction which was once a

great party. The most timely rebuke we have yet seen of the course of the Conservative leaders, as well as one of the finest tributes to the character of the French-Canadians and vindications of their loyalty not only to Canada but to Britain, is contained in the following letter of a Minister of an Anglican church in the city of Quebec to the Toronto Globe:

"Will you permit me as one who puts Canada before party to implore both sides of our electorate at this time to stop all racial appeals, and all needless and prolonged discussion of some of the unfair methods used in the late political campaign? It is doing an immense amount of harm and stirring up bad feeling between the component nationalities of the Dominion. There could now be a greater calamity for our country than the identifying of political divisions with race divisions. Every one who writes or says anything which tends to do this is a traitor. He is drawing on the capital and future interests of Canada to secure party or personal ends at the present. There are only two great national issues before our people at the present time. The one is the unification of Canada, and the other is the unification of our Empire. They are really two aspects of the same principle—the unity which gives us strength to secure lasting peace. All other questions are side issues. We may dispute about them, if we please, but not about matters which imperil the well-being of our national life. I have lived for fourteen years in the midst of French-Canadians, in country and town, and I may say that I have never received at their hands anything but kindness and the courtesy that French people know so well how to give. I have never once been persecuted or hindered in the public or private performance of my ministerial duties. There are no people who respond more generously to kind treatment than our French-Canadians, and it is a cause of grief to those who know them, when scheming or ignorant men in other provinces say words respecting them which they should not."

"That the new Imperialism is misunderstood and suspected by many of them, I allow. Nor is it to be wondered at. We must give them time. Their suspicions, however, are not likely to be set at rest by inflammatory appeals to race prejudice and accusations of disloyalty. When they come to find that Imperialism means not the costly expansion of territories, but the federation of independent British states, they will gladly throw in their lot with all of us who are working for what we feel in its ultimate issue is the good of the whole world. Numbers of them have done, as ready, most heartily, and loyally. Permit me in conclusion to narrate the little incident which occurred to me yesterday, and which goes to prove that among simple French-Canadian peasants we may find a lot of patriotism that is apparent in the political utterances of many of our public men. A young farmer was showing me over an old house in the parish of St. Jérôme, below Ste. Anne de Beaupré. It was the only house (in fact the only building, for the church itself was burnt down) which was spared by Wolfe's soldiers in their devastation of that district. I said to my guide that when he saw what Wolfe had wrought in the country it must make him very bitter against the English. 'Oh, no,' he replied with a smile, 'we have forgotten all that.' Then he added: 'We are all Canadians now.' 'Yes,' I said, shaking hands with him, 'we are all Canadians now.' I never passed that young man on the road again without his giving me a kindly smile, and I am sure the hearts of both of us felt the thrill of enthusiasm of a common brotherhood.

"Thank you, sir, for allowing me so much space in your valuable columns. I appeal to Canadians of all parties to weigh well their words at this time, and not to undo the grand heart-union of our people, which has resulted from our French and English soldiers fighting and dying together under our common flag in South Africa.

"I am a Conservative myself, but I write to all who are big enough to look over their political fences and survey the interests of our country as a whole. Let every man retain his own party preferences, if he will, but let him always put Canada first."

FREDERICK GEO. SCOTT.
St. Matthew's Rector, Quebec, November 17th.

IS IT A CRISIS?

We have set our Dominion House in order and the municipal seals are all set to catch the breeze of prosperity which is undeniably heading this way, and now that people have a little time to devote to the consideration of other matters, it is not surprising that some are wondering what is to be done to get together a strong provincial administration, possessing the confidence of the whole of British Columbia. That there are elements of weakness in the present cabinet very few will dispute. That the Premier possesses the confidence of the House and of the country generally there seems to be no doubt. That the government as at present constituted is merely a makeshift is beyond question. Some of the members who supported the present administration last session maintain that there was a distinct pledge given that a stronger and more popular government would confront the House when it met again. There is no difference of opinion in regard to one thing—that there was an understanding that there would speedily be a change in the personnel of the cabinet. But the ministers seem to be perfectly satisfied with the present state of affairs. There is no evidence that they are in any hurry to fulfil their pledges. The men whom the people do not want are the most eager to continue in their service. The

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Individuals alluded to are well known. They did their best to set one section of the province against another in order that they might profit by such antagonism. They were cast out by the electors, and it was hoped that we should no longer be afflicted by their presence in the seats of the rulers of the country. But in the state of chaos which ensued after the defeat of the Martin administration they managed to secure another hold upon power. It is understood that they have announced their determination to stay there, and that, with the possible exception of one, who will be endowed with a soft billet at a good salary, there will be no change in the cabinet of British Columbia. If such is the case the public may look for some interesting developments when the Legislature meets for the dispatch of business. Mr. Turner is personally one of the most characters in public life in the province. He is a respected, we believe esteemed, by all, and for that reason many who are opposed to principle to the establishment of an agency-general on the scale maintained during the incumbency of Mr. Vernon will submit to the appointment of the Finance Minister to that position because they consider that after his long services on behalf of the province he is entitled to some consideration. The Times has always been opposed to the creation of such an institution in London. It is something that the other provinces do not find to be at all necessary, and it is a very costly luxury to maintain. It cannot possibly confer any benefits upon us which cannot be secured through the office of the Canadian High Commissioner, whose establishment is maintained for the good of the whole Dominion. Even if it be turned into a real estate office on a modified scale, as has been suggested, we are quite sure it will confer no benefits on the province at all commensurate with the cost of its maintenance. It is necessary to person men who have served the public well, to place them in positions where they shall have a good time and little or nothing to do, we advise that some clever scheme be resorted to than maintaining them in luxury in London. The objections to Mr. Eberts are well known, and as for Mr. McBride's business of the province does not appear to have suffered to any extent during the months he has devoted to the service of the Conservative party so very little result, and we see no reason why such a talented gentleman should be hampered in his efforts to get his party into power by being compelled to devote his distinguished legal abilities to the administration of the department of mines.

SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Things may be said to be in a state of transition at the seat of war. Lord Roberts is on his way home to a reward commensurate, we trust, with the value of the services he has rendered to his country. At any rate, he is sure of a reception such as has never been accorded to any man in the history of the United Kingdom. He has succeeded by a younger man and one who is reported to be an altogether stamp of character. Judging from the portraits of Lord Kitchener these reports are reliable. Firmness and determination are stamped upon every line of his countenance, without the kindly twinkle which is ever present in the eye of the elder man. But that the new commander will do justly by all with whom he is brought in contact, whether friend or foe, is far beyond the shadow of doubt. A difficult situation confronts him. The conditions are quite different to those upon which Roberts brought his military talents to bear. Yet Great Britain has the fullest confidence that the new commander-in-chief will not be found wanting in time of trial. Probably because his promotion has been rapid Lord Kitchener has made many enemies at home, and some hard things have been said of the thoroughness with which he has completed the work which has been given him to do. But he possesses the confidence of the British people to an extent not shared by other men save his predecessor in his present command. He has no regard for tradition and the bedecked and humiliated warriors of the drawing-room he regards with contempt. We regard the present flare-up of the Boers as the last expiring attempt in conjunction with the mission of President Kruger, to secure European intervention. The refusal of Emperor William to even receive Oom Paul must convince all parties beyond peradventure that such hopes are vain. This should render the task of Kitchener easier, despite the assurances of the ex-President that the belligerent Boers will oppose the British to the last man, woman and child.

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The President's message seems to be an instrument after the type of the speech from the throne. We do not see what useful purpose it serves, as it has no effect upon legislation and is too ponderous to be read by a great many people.

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One Paul will probably now settle down and husband his resources. The fortune which he acquired by means so mysterious as to mystify the most intimate of his followers, we may depend upon it, will not be frittered away in useless sight-seeing or in vain frivolities.

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The Conservative party never occupied such an enviable position as it does to-day. So Sir Charles Tupper says, and if you don't believe him consider the number of Liberals who have been elected in Quebec by acclamation.

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If Mayor Gordon's political career survives the ponderous, unwieldy and clumsy attempts of the Vancouver News-Advertiser to raise the race and religion cry it is possessed of more vitality than is generally supposed.

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To the Editor:—The Colonist editor once, under the influence of patriotic fire, wrote a little editorial full of what the London papers now call the "Mafeking Spirit,"

and running along, in this fiery article the editor announced: "Women are not in close touch with the public life of the community."

But the good man didn't mean to be egomaniacal; he wasn't (as Joe Garvey would say) "that bad in his heart." He was simply ignorant; and he has learned.

A reference to the editorial column of the Colonist upon the passing of the ferry bridge will show that, in Victoria at least, Women are very closely in touch with the public life of the community, and that the editor knows it. Let us all rejoice. There should surely be more joy over one editor that repented than over 27 raters and business men who warn the electorate against the sophistry of "WEAK WOMEN."

PNEUMONIA PREVENTED.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and a gripe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thus Whittfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for grippe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of a gripe to result in pneumonia." For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria. Dec. 3 - 5 a.m. Rain has fallen during the last 24 hours over British Columbia, Oregon and Washington, a fall of 1.10 inches being reported from the mouth of the Columbia river. An area of low barometer covers the northern portion of the province and the Northwest Territories. Temperatures on the west of the Rockies are unusually mild. Present weather conditions are unsettled.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday, Victoria and vicinity—light to moderate winds, unsettled and mild, with rain. Lower Mainland—Light winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 46; minimum, 45; wind, calm; rain, .49; weather, rain.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .32; weather, cloudy.

Nanaimo—Wind, E.; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 34; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, foggy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 14 miles N.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

You will find it in the B.C. Guide. 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B.C.

Str. Rosalie runs daily to Seattle. \$1.00 round trip. For 30 days.

The Companions of the Forest will hold their social dance in Sir William Wallace hall on Thursday next.

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A service of song will be given in the First Congregational church on Sunday evening next. The choir will render special music and some well known vocalists will take part.

An enclosure has been constructed in the police station to serve the purpose of a telephone tower. Formerly the jailers and others on duty were under no little inconvenience when telephoning, a passing wagon, or the noise of conversation in the immediate vicinity, making it difficult to hear. With the newly inaugurated improvement the person telephoning or answering needs only to step gracefully into the enclosure, the glass door swings behind him, and his chances of hearing distinctly over the wires are greatly magnified. The structure is 7 feet 7 inches in height, and 3 feet 6 inches square. It was constructed this morning, under the supervision of the building inspector.

Dr. Chas. Higgins who has been in charge of the special plague-fighting plant at William Head during the past summer, left on Saturday evening for the East to resume his work in connection with the Ostromont experimental station at Montreal. Prior to his departure he was made the recipient of a very handsome silver souvenir cup from the quarantine staff. The presentation was rendered: Piano duet, Misses Lovell and Bennett; vocal solo, Miss Bernice Scowcroft; solo, Miss Field; solo, Mr. Flirth; piano solo, Miss Copwell; duet, Mr. Brown and Flirth; piano duet, Misses Nicholas and McEwen; vocal solo, the Misses Horton; recitation, Mr. Twigg; and solos by Messrs. Brown and Nicholas.

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Holiday Toy Books, Christmas Cards, from 5c per dozen, at Johnston's, Douglas street.

Meetings of the boards of license commissioners for the North and South Victoria and Esquimalt districts will be held on the 15th at Sidney, Victoria and Esquimalt.

The committee appointed to canvass the different proposals for the memorial to the Victorians who fell in South Africa will hold a meeting to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The contract for the erection of a two-story brick building on Government street to Moi Chung has been awarded to George Snider. The building is expected to cost about \$5,000. Thus Hooper is the architect.

The Naval and Military Record announced the approaching marriage of Capt. H. G. Joly de Lotbiniere, R.E., son of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, to Mildred, eldest daughter of Mr. Seymour Grenfell, of Eltham, Taplow.

A concert will be held this evening in the Odd Fellows' hall, Spring Ridge, under the auspices of the young people of Knox Presbyterian church. No pains have been spared in arranging the entertainment. J. G. Brown and W. D. Kinnaird will take part. The following fares will also be given: "Topsy Turvy," "Quaker Proposal" and "A. Tennyson Scene."

The city library issued during the month of November, 1970 books, of these ladies took 981; gentlemen 980. The highest number of books issued in last Saturday afternoon from the family residence, No. 39 Simcoe street, at 2.30 p.m. and at 5 o'clock from the St. James church, James Bay. The following acted as pallbearers: Col. Woffinden, J. R. McKittrick, J. H. McMillan, H. Young and E. Mallardine.

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The number of householders who applied to have their names placed on the municipal voters' list this year, was just \$2 less than last year. The period for qualifying expired on Saturday night, the last applicant registering between 8 and 9 o'clock. The city assessors' office was open until 8.30 o'clock, and when it was closed 516 names were registered. Last year 508 householders qualified.

Str. "Sennome," fare to Seattle 50c. \$1.90 return for 30 days. Berths, 25c.

There was quite a large attendance at the concert in the Temperance hall on Saturday night, it being the second of the series to be given there during the winter months. Dr. Lewis Hall was chairman, and the following programme was rendered: Piano duet, Misses Lovell and Bennett; vocal solo, Miss Bernice Scowcroft; solo, Miss Field; solo, Mr. Flirth; piano solo, Miss Copwell; duet, Mr. Brown and Flirth; piano duet, Misses Nicholas and McEwen; vocal solo, the Misses Horton; recitation, Mr. Twigg; and solos by Messrs. Brown and Nicholas.

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"The Sleeping Beauty," a very pretty cantata to be rendered on Monday, December 10th, by the Ladies' Choral Society at the Philharmonic hall, will certainly draw a large audience. The Ladies' Choral Society is composed of some of the best voices in Victoria, consequently a very pleasing effect may be anticipated. The piano accompaniments will be played by Miss Gertrude Loewen and the organ by Mrs. Frank Barnard. The cantata will be conducted by W. H. Barton, Miss Cecile Russell, A.R.C.M., the talented pianist, who has lately arrived from London, will be heard in piano solos. Mrs. Green, Miss Hartman, Mrs. Harvey, A. T. Goward, Dr. Ward and Herbert Kent will all contribute towards the evening's enjoyment.

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As announced in these columns on Saturday afternoon, the members of the Maliby family were removed to the isolation hospital, the other children being ill with diphtheria. Two of them were in a serious condition, and immediate treatment was necessary on Saturday morning, when the health officer visited the house. The mother, however, still strong in her adherence to the Divine healing doctrine, objected, and refused to allow the doctor to treat them. After a consultation with the master and city bacteriologist, the health officer and sanitary inspector in the afternoon forcibly removed the family to the isolation hospital. Immediately upon their arrival the five children were treated with antitoxine, but one of them, a girl, was in danger of suffocation, and an operation of tracheotomy was at once performed on her by the health officer, assisted by another physician. All the children are now progressing most favorably.

A meeting of the federated board of fraternal societies was held in their rooms on Saturday evening, for the purpose of discussing the question of hospital attendance. Dr. Ernest Hall was present, and the following societies George; Pride of the Island Lodge, Sons of St. George; Victoria Daughters of



NEW ROUTE DISCOVERED

Connecting White Horse and Big Salmon—Seven Cases of Smallpox Reported in Yukon District.

Mr. C. Racine returned on Sunday night from his cruise across country for the purpose of locating a road to directly connect White Horse with the Big Salmon mining district, says the Bennett Sun of November 21st. He made a thorough examination of the high range of mountains east of White Horse for a distance of twenty miles along the summit but could find no way to cross at a lower elevation than 4,000 feet, which he considered impracticable. Mr. Racine says, however, that the Indians told him that by going down the river to within five or six miles of La Barre and then starting across country, he would find a low gap in the mountains which the Indians use for their annual hunting trips into the Big Salmon country, over which a road could be constructed to the mine. The saving in distance by this route, instead of going by way of the Hootalinqua, would be considerable, amounting probably to 60 or 70 miles.

Mr. Racine's report, although it does away with the expectations of an almost all-lake road to the Big Salmon mining district from White Horse, shows that there is still a way of reaching it in a comparatively short distance overland from the river this side of La Barre.

The same paper says a man named Murphy, who lived in a tent north of town, was removed Wednesday night to a building across the river suffering with what was pronounced by Dr. Parce, the attending physician, to be a well developed case of smallpox. Two other men who lived alongside Murphy, and who had attended him before the arrival of the doctor, were also placed in quarantine, but so far have developed no alarming symptoms.

Mr. Carmichael, of the Canadian customs at Bennett, has been appointed postmaster in place of Mr. G. C. Pemberton, and the office removed to the customs house.

Dr. S. M. Fraser, who has charge of the N.W.M.P., on the Dalton trail, says the N.W.M.P., the Alaskan, believes the future of the Porcupine mining district will not be excelled by that of any district in the North, not excepting the Klondike. He regards Porcupine creek itself as rich as Eldorado in the Klondike, and says the creek on the Canadian side of the line is possibly as rich as Porcupine. "No one, except the few who have been privy to see themselfes, realize the immense wealth of the Porcupine country," said Dr. Fraser. "That is because the few claims which were actually worked last summer demonstrated that richer dirt was never discovered, any place than on Porcupine creek. Thousands of dollars have been taken out of pieces of ground only a yard or two square in bed rock. Smith & Biglow never employed more than ten men and day after day they worked in a hole not over 15 feet square at the top and only 3' or 4' feet square at bed rock, and took out from 40 to 400 ounces per day. Glacier creek, on the Canadian side of the temporary boundary line, is also very rich. It has not been worked because the claims are owned by those who are operating on Porcupine. Those who have done their assessment work all found good pay. Quite number of Porcupine miners last fall to test the creek not in a little steam gun, and worked down on Jack Dalton's Glacier creek claim. They had just got into wonderfully rich ground when there are so many fellow miners for whom defeat is a most salutary experience."

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cases all told now in the Klondike district. The Yukon council is taking vigorous measures to stamp the disease out. A special ordinance was to-day passed by the council requiring everyone to be vaccinated. The operation will be at the expense of the government and vaccine for that purpose has been ordered.

Captain Scarff, of the Northwest Mounted Police, has returned from Creek in the Stewart river district. He says there is already quite a settlement, and that more than six hundred claims have been located and recorded. The average pay so far has been about 25 cents to the pan, which is regarded as very rich for surface prospecting. There are three branches which promise great results.

A tremendous sensation was stirring at Dawson on the 17th of last month by the arrest of several prominent merchants for offering impure foods for sale. Many tons of spoiled and condemned provisions were seized by the police officers, which merchants were offering as food for horses.

The sedges include thirty-five tons of bacon, thirty tons of butter and ten tons of ham. The stuff seized had been condemned and sold to the Alaska Commercial Company some time ago for dog feed.

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GOLF AND "BOGY."

The chief glory of the new golf is "bogy"; an abstraction who always holes out in a fixed number of strokes—never, never more. He is a shadow, yet a powerful reality; his name is a jest, yet he is an object of respect. There have been discussions as to who invented him. We decline to believe he was invented. He simply came when wanted—showed himself, and, so far, was discovered. As the pay-off moment approached he burst on England in all his avowances. His voice became universal, his victories came. But in Scotland, as the matter went home, he was a bore. As a matter of fact, the great increase of players and clubs in Great Britain, which epitomizes the reaction from English enthusiasm, is mostly composed of foreign worshippers. They are pining to have him for a playfellow, dying for his monthly pots. They look with longing eyes on the heavy sweepstakes and the holiday bogy competition; but it is their misfortune to live in a land where he is a very fast god indeed. Their first "fealty," as ever, is to their nationality, and they solemnly declare, when put to it, "We do not recognize the golf bogy. He is a bastard English invention. We really have the same idea ourselves, and call it par score, but we never play with it. Why should we play against abstractions, when there are so many fellow mortals for whom defeat is a most salutary experience?"—Blackywood.

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CONVICTS AT WORK.

In the Pall Mall Magazine Major Arthur Griffith describes a visit he made to Dartmoor, England.

We are now more than a mile and a half from home; yet here in this seemingly isolated spot, far from help in case of sudden insurrection, with no safeguard against some equally sudden rush for freedom but the power to shoot straight, a couple of warders are working some five and twenty convicts. I can see from my point of vantage other similar parties far away, stationed like these on the outskirts of the prison lands at considerable intervals apart. What keeps all in check, safe within these wide limits? The strong arm of systematic discipline, the complete if not too willing obedience of the many to the few in authority who wield their power effectively yet not too obtrusively. The distant prison, standing grey and grim upon a central hill, is really in touch with and has its hold upon every point with an admirable system of signalling. A cordon of armed sentries, the civil guard, surrounds the outermost boundary within it each detached officer constantly controls his men, counts them over continually for the number he takes out he must bring back alive or dead—keeps a watchful eye on their temper, industry, and general demeanor. It is this ceaseless supervision, this sense that every movement, every thought almost, is closely observed, that the best guarantee against outbreak.

We are told that the authorities know the exact location of every criminal, and how to express it that there is no safety among convicts, combinations being the most dangerous combinations, the most dastardly, the most punishable of all prison offences—any converted felon, is all but impossible for some one in the lot to certain to play false and betray his friend.

PARLIAMENTARY NOTICE.

An interesting fight is promised for the Winnipeg mayoralty. Up to date there are three candidates in the field: Messrs. Arbuthnot, Wilson and Ross.

J. A. Schosman, hardware merchant and one of the newest known citizens of Virden and Dr. Young, the pioneer doctor of the place, died suddenly on Friday night, both from heart failure.

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Collector's List of Lands or Improvements on Real Property Within the Corporation of the City of Victoria

To be Sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs on the TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1900, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B.C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale by Law, 1890," contained in the meaning—the areas of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid. It sold the said Lands and Improvements will be chargeable with a proportion of the Legal Costs of and incidental to the obtaining of the Judge's Order confirming such Sale.

Lot.	Block	Section	Lands and Improvements		Assessed Owner	Registered Owner	Total Amount of Tax, Interest and Costs Due on the 29th Day of December, 1900, on the Lot, Block and Section, and the Date of Sale
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16	12		1. John Fraser		John Fraser		\$ 65.60
10	12		1. & John Mortimer		John Mortimer		25.70
9	12		1. & Mrs. Francesco		N. H. Van Buren		35.00
E. to 287	15		1. & S. Anderson		Henry Nathan		40.00
E. to 603-3	15		1. Henry Nathan		Henry Nathan		21.60
M.	15		1. & I. Henry Nathan		Henry Nathan		30.40
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10 to 118-19	16		1. & I. Henry Nathan		Henry Nathan		15.30
W. to 16 E. 578	16		1. Mr. & Mrs. K. Case		Louis Leibault		2.10
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SHIPPING NEWS *

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG
THE WATERFRONT.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.6 feet above the zero of the Equamulon dry dock.

Tuesday, Dec. 4. Wednesday, Dec. 5.

Time...	Height above zero.	Time...	Height above zero.
2:30 a.m.	8.0 feet.	3:30 a.m.	8.5 feet.
6:10 a.m.	7.0 feet.	7:00 a.m.	7.4 feet.
12:45 p.m.	6.0 feet.	12:30 p.m.	9.0 feet.
7:45 p.m.	6.0 feet.	8:00 p.m.	0.2 feet.

After a remarkable passage, considering the condition of the convoyed vessel, the *Nome*, steamship Centennial and Santa Ana arrived at Seattle on Saturday. The trip from Dutch Harbor, with the Santa Ana in a semi-disabled condition was made in the time of nine and one-half days. It was first intended that the McCullach should convoy the disabled steamer south, but he limited coal carrying capacity preceeded after the government cutter had waited three weeks for the Santa Ana. The Centennial happened along and both vessels, belonging to the same company, the latter was pressed into service to bring the Santa Ana south. The Centennial brought 237 passengers, among whom were twenty-two federal prisoners, bound for McNeill's Island to serve various sentences.

Steamer Queen City, which arrived from the West Coast this afternoon, brought 2,300 cases of salmon from Clayoquot, which will complete the cargo of the ship Naiad, now at the outer wharf. The Naiad has 43,000 cases of salmon aboard, of which R. P. Rithet & Co., Finley Durham & Brodie, W. A. Ward and Johnson, Burnett & Co., are the shippers.

After discharging most of her salmon cargo at Vancouver and on the Fraser, the steamer Tees arrived from the North on Saturday evening, having landed all her passengers, several days ago. She will now be laid up for a general overhaul, and will be replaced in service by the Wilpuna, which will be sent North this evening.

The Nome steamer Charles D. Lane has been chartered to run on the Puget Sound and South American route, and will leave Seattle in less than ten days with a cargo of 3,200 tons of cedar ties, bridge timbers and other materials for a new building from Guayaquil to some rich silver mines 300 miles in the interior.

The Tree, which was recently added to the B. C. Lighterage Company's fleet of this port, has gone to Saturna Island for a scow load of wood. The company, of which Hugh Logan & Co. are the managing agents, have now the tugs Louis, Cleve and Tree belonging to its fleet.

Ship Dunvegan has arrived from the sound to undergo extensive repairs on the Esquimalt marshals. The Dunvegan is an iron vessel and the repairs to be made on her will be executed by the Albion Iron Works.

Steamer Energi is again at the outer wharf loading salted salmon, of which she will have in all from this port about 2,400 tons. She will probably get away for the Orient this afternoon.

Tug Lorne has returned from the North with the bark Colorado in tow, loaded with concentrates for Tacoma. The latter will be taken on to her destination to-day.

Bark Oaklands, which has been undergoing extensive repairs on the Esquimalt marine ways, will proceed to Everett to-day in tow of an American tug.

Ship St. Mary's finishes discharging her coal cargo to-day. She will be towed from here to Tacoma, where she receives grain cargo.

Bark Carlton goes in the dry dock to-day for a cleaning and painting.

Steamer Yosemite left Vancouver at 1:20 p.m. and connected with the train.

DECISION DAY.

Interesting Services Held Yesterday at the Centennial Methodist Church.

Decision Day was observed in the Centennial Methodist church yesterday, when a very impressive sermon was delivered by Pastor W. H. Barracough. A large number of children were present, and the pastor preached more especially for their benefit. In order to make his remarks more attractive to the children he introduced the blackboard to illustrate his remarks.

The usual Sunday school service was held in the afternoon, after which some special singing took place, and a solo was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Holt, Rev. Mr. Barracough then took charge of the meeting and delivered an address on "Deciding for Christ." He then invited those young people who had well-considered the matter and had made up their minds to become Christians to move into the church. The result was that 60 out of the Sunday school decided to lead a Christian life.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

(Continued from page 1.)

Presentatives presented a brilliant spectacle to-day when Speaker Henderson called the second session of the fifty-sixth congress to order at noon to-day. When the Senate convened to-day it was within the shadow of the death of two of its distinguished members. Aside from the sadness caused by the passing away of dear friends, personal as well as official, the opening of the session was notably brilliant and in a measure joyous.

THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ

A Book Which Promises Hours of Rare Delight for Children.

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, by L. Frank Baum, with pictures by W. W. Denslow (the creators of Father Goose; His Book), was published September 2nd by the George M. Hill Company, of Chicago and New York. The book is in every way novel and unique. In size it is about 9x7 inches with 275 pages. The binding is of cloth of a peculiar light green, stamped with a grotesque design in dark green and red. The pictures surpass anything of the kind hitherto attempted. There are twenty-four full-page illustrations, inserts on enameled paper in many colors, and 150 text illustrations printed in six different colors, in accordance with a color plan set forth in the story. Mr. Denslow has shown surprising fertility of invention and his pictures and decorations "set a pace" which will embarrass other artists to follow. Some of the effects are decidedly original and the color-scheme adds greatly to the book.

The principal character in the Wonderful Wizard is a little girl named Dorothy, who with her dog, Toto, is carried by a cyclone from Kansas to the strange and beautiful Land of Oz. Here she decides to visit the Emerald City to ask its ruler, the Wonder Wizard, to send her back home again. On the way she meets a Scarecrow, who is in search of brains, a Tin Woodman, who wishes a heart, and a Cowardly Lion, whose one desire is to possess courage.

The little party encounters many dangers and marvelous adventures on the way, but reaches the Emerald City in safety, their success being due to the straightforwardness of the Scarecrow, the tenderness of the Tin Woodman and the fearlessness of the Cowardly Lion.

The following extracts from the book illustrate the delightful humor and rare philosophy which render every page of this charming work a fascination to old and young alike:

"Oh, gracious!" cried Dorothy, "are you a real witch?" "Yes, indeed," answered the little woman. "But I am a good witch, and the neplus love me."

"But I thought all witches were wicked," said the girl, who was half frightened at facing a real witch.

"Oh, no, that is a great mistake. Some are very good. I know this is true, for I am one of them myself."

"But," said Dorothy, after a moment's thought, "Aunt Em has told me that the witches were all dead—years and years ago."

"Who is Aunt Em?" enquired the little woman.

"She is my aunt who lives in Kansas, where I came from."

The Witch of the North seemed to think for a time, with her head bowed and her eyes upon the ground. Then she looked up and said:

"I do not know what Kansas is, for I have never heard of it, but tell me, is it a civilized country?"

"Oh, yes," replied Dorothy, "and there are no savages or savants for it. It is a civilized country. I believe there are no witches left, nor wizards, nor sorcerers nor magicians. But, you see, the Land of Oz has never been civilized, for we are not far from all the rest of the world. Therefore we still have witches and wizards amongst us."

T. N. Hibben & Co. have this book for sale.

IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. A. B. Winchester Conducts Special Services With Reference to the Death of Mr. Flett.

As Rev. Dr. Campbell was unable to leave his house yesterday, Rev. A. B. Winchester conducted both services at the First Presbyterian church. In the evening the church was crowded, when a memorial service, having special reference to the late Alfred Flett, deputy minister of finance, was held. Appropriate selections were sung by the congregation, and an eloquent, practical and impressive sermon was preached by Mr. Winchester, to which the audience listened with strict attention.

As Mr. Winchester is about to return to Toronto to take up regular pastoral work there, Victoria loses a man who has been here nearly nine years, and has always been interested in everything which had for its end the elevation of character and the betterment of society. His removal will be a great loss, especially to the Presbyterian part of the community, not only in this city, but throughout the province, for while he was missionary to the Chinese, he was always ready to help in every good work.

Walter S. Fraser & Co., Ltd.

DEALERS IN

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A bright young girl, about 14 years, to come to Victoria, April 1st. Apply to Mrs. Keefer, 55 Douglas Street.

MRS. AND MRS. CHARLES HAWKINS will entertain their friends at their home, No. 27 Third street, to-morrow evening, being their wedding anniversary.

WANTED—At once, a respectable boy. Apply to Douglas Street.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—Sainte-Croix pup, intercrossed, afternoon, from Victoria, house, Captain Bay, near junction. Person returning same to McDonald's grocery, Cox Bay Junction, will be rewarded. M. C. Austin.

STRAVED—From Market street, 1 white cow, about 3 years old. Finder kindly return to V. & S. Station, Hillside Ave.

THE COMPANIONS OF THE FOREST will be given at the Victoria Auditorium on Thursday, Dec. 6th, at 8 p.m. important business to be transacted. By order, E. J. Cave, Chief Companion.

WANTED—Position in studio or machine shop, by all around photographer and mechanical draughtsman. —Address

RECRUIT—"The Christmas Carol," by Arthur Lamb, will be given at the Victoria Auditorium on Saturday evening, December 4th, at 8 p.m. Collection.

LOST—Between Kingston street and St. Andrews church, Sunday evening, pair of gold ring-shaped pieces. Reward if returned to Times Office.

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Doors open 8; commences 8:30.

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LACROSSE.

INVITED TO ENGLAND.

(Associated Press)

Toronto, Dec. 3.—An invitation has been received by the Toronto Lacrosse Club from the South of England Association to visit England this summer. The matter is under consideration.

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