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ATTEMPT TO SALVE THE SANTA CLARA

TUGS FAIL TO DRAW HER FROM HER PLACE

Diver McHardy Makes an Examination of the Hull of the Vessel—The Crew's Experience.

THE SUFFERINGS OF AN ALLEGED MURDERER

Tied to a Stake During Storm, He Died From Exposure After Reaching New Westminster.

New Westminster, Dec. 27.—The latest development in the Japanese murder, which occurred at McNair's logging camp on Christmas night, is the death of one of the men accused of the crime, from exposure. All that night, when the wind raged in the greatest fury ever known in the history of the coast, two of the Japanese remained tied to a stake in the open weather, with the result that one has died and the other is in a precarious condition.

The four men, alleged to be implicated in the murder, were brought in yesterday afternoon from the camp, which is situated near Lake Beautiful, by Provincial Constables Campbell and Thompson, and were lodged in the provincial jail. Two of them were in a pitiable condition, as a result of having been tied to a stake during the whole of Christmas night, and Ikada Saburo, who is supposed to have struck the fatal blow, died in great agony.

When brought to the jail he was a very sick man, and Dr. Walker was at once called. He did all in his power to alleviate the sufferings of the Japanese, but he moaned with pain till 11:30 last night, when he died. The unfortunate man was tied with his hands behind his back from 6 o'clock in the evening until 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the constables arrived on the scene. He was suffering intensely from cramps, and was with great difficulty got down to the landing, an examination of the body was made, the coroner returned the inquest until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, at which time it is expected that some important evidence will be given as Constables Campbell and Thompson, with several Japanese from the camp, will be witnesses.

The body of the murdered Japanese, Banji Karaburo, better known as "Jim the Jap," was brought into the city last evening from the scene of the tragedy at McNair's camp, which is pitched on the summit of the big hill about two and a half miles from the bay.

The three remaining men, accused of the murder, are all strongly guarded in the inner cells, adjoining that of the condemned Chinaman, and used only in cases where the prisoners are indicted for capital crimes. They are to all appearances sane, and do not seem to be agitated over the awful fate which threatens them.

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The appearance of the wreck of the Santa Clara as she lies on Trial Island is very picturesque. Looking at the big three-masted vessel as she lies stranded in the troubled waters which surround that spot, an idea is conveyed of the terrible experience through which the occupants of the ship went, when drifting down the Straits to what they thought would be their doom. As one of the crew of the ship in question put it, the night's adventure was one through which he hoped never to pass again.

The Santa Clara is lying in such a position that she is sheltered from all winds with the exception of a strong southwester, such as blew on Christmas night. The island is shaped like a crescent, and it is in the light that the ship is lying securely held by a hidden rock.

Yesterday at noon the tug Mystery left Spratt's wharf for the wreck. She had on board H. P. Bullen, Capt. J. G. Cox, Lloyd's surveyor, and several others who went to watch the wrecking proceedings, including a Times man. Diver McHardy was also aboard with his assistant, and all necessary apparatus for examining the ship's bottom.

The Santa Clara was reached shortly before 1 o'clock, a stop having been made at the ship Ben Packard, another of the sailing vessels which had a narrow escape from destruction on Christmas night, for the purpose of delivering papers. On arriving at Trial Island an examination was made of the big ship. She is lying with a heavy list to the port side, and from her movements caused by the heavy swell it would seem that she is held securely amidships. No damage other than that caused by the striking is evident. She has about two feet of water in her hold.

The examination completed, a boat was lowered and Diver McHardy made ready to dive for the purpose of making a careful examination of her injuries. After some delay he descended and interested spectators followed his movements under water as he walked from place to place, by the bubbles caused by the air escaping from his helmet.

While this operation was in progress the Pioneer, one of the tug boats of the Port Sound Tugboat Company, arrived. The pumps of the Santa Clara were then put in operation, and as much of the water as possible pumped from her. A hawser was attached to the ship, and the Pioneer made an attempt to haul her from her rocky bed. The first try was unsuccessful, the hawser breaking. A new one was, however, quickly secured, and a second attempt made. It was now full tide, and the Pioneer put on full steam and did her best to move the stranded vessel. The tug was kept up for some time, the engine straining and pulling, but without any visible effect. As it was now beginning to get dark the effort was given up, another try to be made at high tide this morning.

The report of Diver McHardy, although no definite information was given, is understood, is very favorable. Mr. McHardy says that she is evidently a sound ship, and should be saved from the rocks. It occurs to many more voyages over the bring deep. That she is more or less damaged by the rocks there can be no doubt, and the next move made will probably be to disburden her of some of the ballast with which she is loaded, and when thus lightened to pump her dry, after which another attempt will be made to drag her clear of the rocks. It is thought that should the weather hold clear until this can be accomplished the ship can be saved, but should another heavy southwester spring up there is a great probability, in fact it is almost a certainty, that the ship will be piled further up on the island, and become a total wreck.

About one hundred yards from where the Santa Clara is lying is the spot where many years before the Velos met disaster, and where many of the crew of the same ship were drowned. One of the crew of the Santa Clara, speaking of the storm yesterday, stated that should the ship have struck on the rocks a little nearer shore, where the full benefit of the tide as well as wind would have been received, he would never have expected to live through the night. The tide, combined with the wind, forms one of the most dangerous seas on the coast.

As an illustration of the rate at which the ship went through the water on the night of the storm, he stated that just about the time the Santa Clara was driven from her moorings a sailing vessel passed down the Straits in tow of a tug. Instead, however, of the tug pulling the ship the hawser between the two was quite loose, and the sailing ship, which had not a strip of sail on her spars, was gradually catching up. He did not see any more as his attention was then taken by his own vessel, which was then in great danger. The crew of the Santa Clara still make their quarters on board the vessel, and they were yesterday busy taking down the yards and making everything ship shape afloat. They consider their position on the rocks perfectly safe, and one stated even if the wind did commence to blow

from the southwest it would be an easy matter to reach the shore in safety. Although the sea was rather heavy yesterday morning, towards evening the wind subsided, giving the wreckers an opportunity to pursue their work without any disadvantages occasioned by adverse weather. The Pioneer thus had every opportunity, had she been able, to remove the ship from her bed on the rocks.

In this connection mention might be made of the fact that this morning at high tide the Pioneer made another attempt, which was also unsuccessful, to pull the ship from the rocks. All thought of pulling her off without taking out some of the ballast has now been abandoned, and work has already commenced in lightening her before making another trial.

NANAIMO LIBERALS.
 Officers Elected and Delegates to Convention Chosen—Action of Minority.

(Special to the Times.)
 Nanaimo, Dec. 28.—A meeting of the Liberals of the city was held last evening for the purpose of electing officers of the association and appointing delegates to the provincial convention to be held at Vancouver.

A little misunderstanding took place early in the meeting owing to the question of the standing of the members of the Liberal party, who belonged to the Labor party, being brought up. It reached a crucial point early in the meeting upon the proposal to elect Dr. McKechnie chairman of the meeting. A vote was taken upon a motion that inasmuch as the meeting was called by the Liberal party that no Conservative or member of any independent or other political party should have a vote in the meeting.

This was clearly intended to hit the members of the Labor party present, and was voted down by a vote of 20 to 18.

Several members, including W. W. B. McInnes, M. P. F. W. Sloan, Tully Boyce, John Johnston and J. Mercer, withdrew.

The newly elected president, C. H. Barker, in a conciliatory tone, hoped that the two branches, if such did exist, would soon be united.

Dr. McKechnie took occasion during the meeting to declare that he was not a Liberal as he had ever been, if he had associated himself with the Labor party in any way it was because he agreed with the principles and objects of that party. He did not alienate himself from the Liberal party.

Officers were elected as follows: President, C. H. Barker; vice-president, Jas. Young; secretary, Angus McKenzie; treasurer, W. H. Kelly.

Delegates to the provincial convention, Messrs. Barker, F. McE. Young and Woodman.

The question of pledging the delegates to a position regarding the matter of the introduction of railway lines in connection with provincial politics was decided against, and the delegates were left free to take such course as they should decide upon.

The minority met last night after the disruption, and elected officers, claiming themselves as true Liberals. W. W. B. McInnes was elected president and W. Sloan, honorary president of their branch. The delegates to the convention at Vancouver are Messrs. T. O'Connell, H. McArdie and Tully Boyce.

SKULL FROM MASSET.
 Magistrate of Queen Charlotte Island Sends Down a Gruesome Relic to Police.

Last spring a couple of hunters on Queen Charlotte Island came upon the remains of a man, covered with charred sticks, which gave the impression that he had been cremated. The men thought they had a case of murder and of subsequent cremation of the body for the purposes of concealing the crime. The news was brought down on one of the same steamers and some of the newspapers on the mainland circulated the story with sensational deductions therefrom.

The sequel of the crime, accident, suicide, or whatever it may have been, was seen this morning when the skull was brought down to the provincial police here. It came in charge of Alex. Noble, of 22 San Juan avenue, of this city, into whose charge the gruesome package was given by A. Harris, the only stipendiary magistrate on the island, for conveyance to Victoria.

The police authorities attach no importance to the discovery, the more so as on Queen Charlotte, as well as on most of the islands which Indians inhabit or visit, skeletons are frequently found. No information has been received since the discovery, which warrants the belief that foul play has been committed.

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE DOMINION

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN SAVINGS BANKS

The Revenue For the Yukon—Cost of South African Contingent and Halifax Garrison.

(Special to the Times.)
 Ottawa, Dec. 27.—(Delayed in transmission)—The public accounts of the Dominion were issued to-day. The net surplus on ordinary revenue was \$5,048,335, and net receipts—\$52,564,701. The capital account was \$11,116,488. When the surplus sinking funds and refunds are deducted from this account a balance of \$2,986,196 has to be added to the public debt for the year, which is now \$208,400,000. There was \$538,810 paid for the South African contingent and \$349,870 for the Halifax garrison.

The balance at the credit of the depositors in post office and government savings banks on June 30th amounted to \$56,048,957, an increase of \$2,800,234 over the balance held on the same day the year previous. The demand for \$1 and \$2 Dominion notes continues, being nearly a quarter of a million for October in excess of October, 1900. The total revenue for the Yukon since 1885 was \$6,700,192, and expenditure \$5,945,216, leaving a surplus of \$754,977.

The revenue from the Intercolonial was \$4,972,235, compared with \$4,532,071 of last year, an increase of \$440,164. The expenditure was \$5,460,422, an increase of \$1,029,017 over 1900. The difference between the revenue and expenditure for the year show a deficit of \$488,186. The increased cost on the road was principally on new locomotives, cars and maintenance of way.

Unfounded Report.
 There is no truth in the report from Buffalo that Canada is asking for a meeting of the joint high commission.

Canadian Dead.
 Hon. Joseph Chamberlain cables to Lord Minto as follows:
 "I regret to inform you that Albert Edmonds was dangerously wounded and N. W. Glass was severely wounded, both at Zontapan, on 12th December. The fathers respectively are Harry Edmonds, of Balgonie, Assiniboia, and William Glass, of Wilmoughby, Saskatchewan. Also Sergt. W. H. Rea died of dysentery December 19th at Bloemfontein. Wife, Mrs. Rea, 55 Dalhousie street, Ottawa. (Signed) Chamberlain."

A cable from the casualty department, also at Capetown, announces the death of Herbert Rea, of the South African Constabulary. Rea was at one time in the Mounted Police. His father is Wm. Rea, secretary of public school board in Ottawa. He was a brother-in-law of Fred Cook, the well known Ottawa correspondent.

WILL NOT PLAY.
 Vancouver Association Football Team Defaults Match Arranged For New Year's Day.

The Vancouver Association football club has defaulted the provincial league match scheduled to be played here with the Victoria on New Year's day. The only reason given is that their players would be unable to get away on that day.

Perhaps they are troubled with the same classic indisposition discerned by the "Province" sporting man in the Victoria Rugby aggregation—"cold feet."

The reproaches hurled by the Vancouver daily at the Capital City Rugby exporters were painful to contemplate, the explosion having been caused by the local club defaulting a match to the Terminal City players.

Surely the Vancouver Association club should be able to get some kind of a team together to avert the reproach incurred by defaulting an engagement. The action of the Victoria Rugby team is not fulfilling its scheduled date was held by the Vancouver Province to be wholly inexcusable, and an infallible symptom of "cold feet." If such be the case it is altogether apparent that a similar diagnosis of the Terminal City Association organization's indisposition would be quite accurate. The Victoria Association team has hitherto proved itself invincible, both in wet and dry weather, and doubtless the Terminal City team, basking in the glory of its recent victory over the Garrison players, feels that discretion is the better part of valor, and a default not so creditable as defeat.

The Nanaimo football team, which was to play the Columbia this afternoon, did not arrive on the noon train to-day, thereby defaulting the match. It's a case of default all round.

WILL BUY SCHOONER.
 New Vessel to Be Used by the Finnish Settlers for Fishing.

(Special to the Times.)
 Nanaimo, Dec. 28.—The Kalevan Kanu Company has purchased the schooner which is to be built in Victoria by Capt. Jobson. It will be 65 feet long, especially adapted for weather of Behring Sea, and will be used by the Finnish Co. for fishing purposes, and may also be used for carrying supplies, etc. It will be fitted with steam.

CUMBERLAND NOTES.
 On the evening of Christmas day both the Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday schools had their annual Christmas trees. At each the entertainment given was a sacred cantata, and the young folks acquitted themselves splendidly. Santa Claus appeared punctually and distributed gifts with a prodigious hand.

The English church Sunday school celebrated on Thursday evening. The entertainment was given at the church, and then the young people repaired to Mr. Peacey's house, where the tree was unloaded. After this ceremony Rev. Mr. Cleland was presented with a purse, and Mrs. Anderson, the organist, received a fine silver watch which was three out of glass pieces.

On Christmas morning Mrs. Wilkinson was presented with a fine tea set by the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church.

At the Cumberland hall Christmas evening was celebrated by a social dance, and a very pleasant time was spent. Messrs. Barrett, E. Wayne and Charlie Macdonald were responsible for the entertainment.

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NEWS NOTES FROM EASTERN CANADA

FOUR BOYS DROWNED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Marconi Favors Cape Breton as Permanent Telegraphy Station—Smallpox Epidemic.

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—When the C. P. R. train arrived from the East yesterday the trainmen were horrified to find traces of blood and human flesh on the mail, express and baggage cars, the wheels of which were splashed with blood and spotted with human flesh and hair.

New Branch Open.

The first regular train on the Canadian Northern from Dauphin to come in over the new Beaver-Gladstone line reached Winnipeg this evening.

George Elliott's store at Cranall, Man., was robbed of \$1,000 Christmas night.

Beet Sugar Factory.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—The Ontario Beet Sugar Company let contracts to-day for a factory at Berlin to cost over \$500,000.

The Smallpox Epidemic.

There are now 433 cases of smallpox in Ontario, according to the latest advice received by Dr. Bryce, secretary of the provincial board of health.

Suicide at Edmonton.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 26.—A. R. MacDonald, manager of D. R. Maser's sawmill, who committed suicide on Christmas Eve, was to have been married on Christmas Day to Miss Wade, daughter of D. Wade, of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Drowned.

Brigwater, N. S., Dec. 26.—A very sad drowning accident shocked the entire community here yesterday. Four boys who were skating on LaHave, where Cook's falls, fell through the ice and were drowned.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 26.—The steamer Bruce, with Signor Marconi on board, arrived at North Sydney to-day.

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DEWEET TOOK GUNS.

Boys Surprised British Camp at Zeefontein—The Field Hospital Forces.

London, Dec. 23.—The following dispatch has been received from Lord Kitchener, dated Johannesburg: "Gen. Rundle reports that on the night of December 24th, Col. Firman's camp at Zeefontein, consisting of three companies of yeomanry and two guns, was successfully rushed by a strong command of Dewet. It is feared the casualties were heavy. The men refused to fight as they were pursuing the Boers. Boer resistance has always been very strong in that part of the Orange River Colony, which was the scene of Gen. Dewet's Christmas coup. A great quadrangle of blockhouses are being built there, the points of which are Vrengien, Volkmars, Harrismith and Kroonstad. At the southeast corner of this quadrangle is an open space from Bethlehem to Lindley, where the square of blockhouses is still incomplete, and here Dewet made his attack. Col. Firman's force probably amounted to four hundred men, and the disaster especially the loss of the guns, the possession of which may enable Dewet successfully to attack the blockhouses, creates a disturbing impression.

The Beaver Company.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Col. Nelson, director-general of the Canadian Army Medical Service, who was here yesterday, consulting with Lieut.-Col. Roberts in connection with the field hospital force for South Africa, expressed himself as being satisfied that the force would compare favorably with any in the service in South Africa, both in its personnel and its equipment.

En Route to Halifax.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—All of the Ontario and Montreal recruits to make up the additional 300 of the Second Canadian Mounted Rifles, left here at noon to-day for Halifax.

HOW DAY WAS CELEBRATED.

Thousands Visited Bethlehem on Christmas Day—Service in Church of the Nativity.

New York, Dec. 26.—The World prints a cablegram from Bethlehem showing the manner in which Christmas eve and Christmas day were this year celebrated in the Holy Land.

According to the dispatch from Bethlehem the sky was clear and the air chill on the day before Christmas. At an early hour crowds commenced to stream in from Jerusalem and other towns.

Many travelled from Europe, some even mingled with the bright Oriental dresses made the scene various and vivid with colors, while in the throngs were seen many fair-faced Bethlehem women.

At the Church of the Nativity, at Bethlehem, the Latins, the Greeks and the Armenians each have a place of worship, but the ceremonies which attracted the thousands were those at the Catholic church. There the morning crowds flocked to the church of the Nativity, including the cave believed by many scholars to be the actual birthplace of Christ. It was brilliantly illuminated.

During the afternoon a multitude of people crowded the square fronting the church, covering the hosangas on every side. The procession then appeared, the Patriarchs escorted by Turkish soldiers preceded by the Kawasses, the official guard of the Patriarchs and convent, advancing to the church. Following the sacred procession came that of the French consul and his staff, in uniform, with an escort of mounted guards, in taking precedence as representing France, the recognized guardian of Catholic interests in the Holy Land.

Following his entry into the church came the beautiful service of vespers, and the benediction.

In the evening the church was never without its crowd of worshippers. At 11 o'clock matins were sung and a few minutes before midnight all was hushed. Then on the stroke of the hour the "Gloria" arose, all kneeling in profound adoration, to usher in Christmas morning.

Immediately afterward the Patriarchs ascended the high altar and commenced to celebrate high mass. Thereafter throughout Christmas day every altar in the sacred edifice was occupied by priests saying masses. Many devotees who took their places at 10 o'clock on Christmas evening kept their vigil until 11 o'clock on Christmas day, anxious not to miss one moment of the ceremony on the site of the birthplace of Christ.

CONFESION OF FAITH.

Revision Will Be Considered at Next General Assembly—Methodist Episcopal Church.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 26.—The Presbyterian creed revision committee has issued the following statement through its secretary, Rev. Dr. Henry Roberts: "For the information of the church I am authorized to say that the committee on creedal revision met at Washington, December 4th, and remained in session until December 14th. The work accomplished at the meeting consists of a brief statement of the reform faith in technical terms and also a declaratory statement. The statement of the reform faith is contained in 10 articles, and the declaratory statement covers chapter 3, chapter 10, section 3; chapter 25, section 6 of the Confession of Faith, as specified in the assembly's instructions to the committee, and also additional statements as to the 'Gospel' and 'Holy Spirit.' The work thus far done is altogether tentative, is not for publication and is to be considered at another meeting of the committee to be held in Philadelphia, February 5th, 1902. The committee also appointed a sub-committee, consisting of F. W. C. Humphrey, Drs. McKibbin, Fisher, Nichols and Moffat, to prepare a tentative revision of the Confession of Faith, of the several points contained in the instructions of the committee; above named, the same to be considered at the February meeting, along with the declaratory statement."

It is generally understood by the Presbyterian ministers in this city that the plan of the committee is to report the declaratory statement to the next general assembly and sidetrack the revision movement until the assembly of 1903.

The new creed men on the committee are aggressive and believe the plan of compromise will best promote their desires and give relief at once to the church.

New Constitution. Chicago, Dec. 26.—Announcement was made here to-day that the new constitution of the Methodist Episcopal church which was adopted at the last general conference of that denomination, held at the Auditorium in 1900, and referred to the various conferences throughout the country, has finally been approved by the three-quarters vote required. The vote is as follows: Ayes, 8,908; nays, 2,221.

The element which opposed the new organic law of the church because it provided for the admission of women as delegates to the general conference, made war on the constitution all along, but met with defeat.

One hundred and twenty-one annual conferences voted on the question, a total of 10,709 ballots being cast by delegates. The principal changes provided for in the new constitution are: It gives women the right to sit as delegates in the general conference. It gives laymen's electoral meetings authority to vote on constitutional questions. It changes the vote necessary in the general conference to amend the constitution from three-fourths to two-thirds.

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RAVAGES OF STORM ON PACIFIC COAST

ITS EFFECTS FELT IN NEIGHBORING PORTS

Wreckage, Evidently From the North, Found in the Gulf—House Overturned in Seattle

Although the telegraph wires of both the local systems are still down, sufficient has been gleaned from the passengers and officers of inbound ships to indicate that the "breakage" bill will be very heavy. The storm was not a local one, extending as far east as Helena and Salt Lake City, and down the coast almost to California. While the farthest ravages extended to the northward will not be known until some of the ships from Skagway or from Northern British Columbia ports reach this place. It is altogether likely that the zone of the tempest was sufficiently wide to embrace northern waters, and if so the story of the damage wrought will not be complete for many days.

The restoration of the lines to Carmanah is anxiously awaited in order that the effects of the storm there may be learned. The southwest which probably would have a tendency to carry boats on to that coast, and the wires and the Queen City should bring intelligence of the news.

At Vancouver, Vancouver, Dec. 27.—On the Mainland there was a repetition of the scenes in Victoria. About the waterfront damage of varying proportions was done, the most serious being that to the cable, inflected by the Abundant. It will cost over \$1,000 to repair the damage to Stanley Park and remove falling trees and limbs. The bridge leading to Deadman's Island was blown down. The cable station was wrecked by the storm and logs piled against it. The barque Elizabeth Nicholson dragged her anchor across the harbor and went broadside against Hasting's mill wharf. She broke her copper sheathing over the bows, but no holes were stove in her. The bow of the steamer Active was carried right into the wharf and the vessel badly damaged. Fifteen small steamers went adrift and were all more or less damaged. Several cases of Alaska salmon, together with a small amount of wreckage which may be from a steamer on her way down from the Klondike, have been washed ashore. The salmon may, however, have had a different origin, and so far there is no absolute evidence that a marine disaster has occurred.

Wreckage has been picked up in the gulf, including cases of the Alaska Packers' Company salmon, marked "Toed, Icy Pass." These are thought to be from a southbound Alaska steamer. Frank Burnett's yacht Laurel, which was anchored in Coal Harbor, was nearly damaged. She dragged her anchor and yesterday morning was very close to the coal bulk Robert Kerr, which is also anchored in the inlet. As it was the Laurel was but a short distance from colliding with the barge. The Laurel is the boat in which Frank Burnett will leave next month with a party of friends for a cruise in the Southern Pacific. In Seattle, Seattle, Dec. 26.—The tug Stimson, of Ballard, arrived in Seattle this afternoon

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

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with tidings of a thrilling shipping disaster which occurred behind West Point light during the heavy gale last night. It is possible that a loss of life resulted. A big four-masted German barque, empty, which was headed up the Sound, lost her port anchor and then began to drift. She was buffeted about by the angry waves and finally struck the schooner Mildred from San Francisco, carrying away the latter's bowsprit and tearing away part of her rigging. The big merchantman then drifted along, fouling the schooner Stimson, also carrying away her bowsprit, and making a gap in that vessel's side. Both ships drifted along toward Richmond beach at a furious pace, where the big barque was wrecked. The schooner Stimson was stranded. The seas in the meanwhile rolled over the vessel, seriously jeopardizing the lives of those on board.

At last accounts it is not known whether any lives were lost, but it is feared that there may be. The tug Tree and several other Sound vessels are now trying to pull the vessels off.

The terrific wind storm completely wrecked one house and drove its contents into the gale, clad only in their night garments. It was the little cottage of Edgar L. Neal, at 2,017 North Broadway. Earlier in the evening, before the wind had reached its fearful velocity, a cracking noise was heard in the joists and rafters of the house, but the occupants thought little of it, and retired shortly after 10 o'clock, as usual, and were soon fast asleep. A few minutes after 11 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Neal were rudely awakened and found themselves clashing at the head to retain their equilibrium. A gust of wind that sounded like a bomb almost swept over the house, tearing the latter in two as if tissue, and carrying the upper half story about 20 feet from the balance of the wreck. Just as the terrified couple were preparing to flee a big heavy timber came thundering down, crashing through the bed at their backs, their escape from death was nothing short of the miraculous. They jumped madly their way outside, clad only in their night robes, to the house of a neighbor. At Townsend, Townsend, Dec. 26.—On Thursday morning, when the storm over that section of Puget Sound was at its height, the Shimano Maru, bound out for Seattle, came into Port Townsend Bay and made signals of distress. She dropped anchor and kept signaling the shore for assistance, but as the gale kept up it was deemed unsafe to attempt to reach the great liner, notwithstanding her appeals.

Finally, as the day wore on, the British vice-consul, Oskar Klocker, of Port Townsend, chartered the little steamer Wildwood and dispatched her to the Shimano. The Wildwood's officers, according to their report to those of the North Pacific, were told by the Shimano's crew that a fire had broken out in the hold of the Oriental liner. When, where or under what circumstances the fire started was not stated.

F. M. Studley, local manager of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, received a report to the effect that the Shimano had returned to Port Townsend in distress. He says that he could hardly believe the Shimano's cargo to be on fire. At Salt Lake, Salt Lake, Dec. 26.—The storm which has been raging throughout the northern intermountain country to-day struck Salt Lake at 4:30 this afternoon with a suddenness and fury that startled the residents. From a dead calm the wind increased with remarkable rapidity, and within a few moments had attained a velocity of fully 50 miles an hour, bringing with it a blinding snowstorm, which raged with the fury of a blizzard for over two hours. The storm came from the northwest, and although of comparatively short duration, was one of the severest felt in this section for years.

The telegraph and telephone companies, whose systems were badly deranged as a result of the storm, to-night report their wires again in working order. The railroad companies report but little delay in their services. At Ballard, Ballard, Dec. 26.—The storm last night played havoc with the vessels anchored outside the city near Ballard. The schooner Stimson and Mildred collided in the gale, tearing their rigging badly and breaking a mast on the former. By the time the storm had subsided they had drifted to Richmond beach, a distance of about ten miles.

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TELEGRAPHIC TIKES. The civil ceremony of the marriage of Miss Delmer is today in the United States consulate, Nice. The bride being a Catholic there will be two religious ceremonies to-day. The violence of the snow storms which have prevailed in Norway during the past week is almost unprecedented. A number of railway trains are subsided in the snow in the southeastern districts of Norway, and most of the telegraph wires are down. It has been definitely learned that King Edward shall personally open parliament. It is said that the czar has accepted an invitation to attend the coronation of King Edward, provided the Casarina is in good health at the time the ceremony occurs. Dispatches from Salonica report that W. W. Peet, treasurer of the Missionary Society in Constantinople, has established communication with the brigands who held Miss Ellen M. Stone captive, and hopes that the release of Miss Stone will be accomplished within a fortnight.

The Zionist congress opened at Basle, Switzerland, on Thursday, under the presidency of Dr. Theodor Herzl, of Vienna, the founder of the Zionist movement in Palestine. The congress is attended by over 1,000 delegates, representing every important country of the world with the exception of Australia.

Health Officer Carroll, of Cedar, on Thursday found a man wandering about the streets suffering from smallpox. He took him in charge and later had him removed to the pest-house. Dr. Carroll states that there was little smallpox in the city, and with a very few exceptions the patients now at the pest house are outside cases.

Rudolph Grossman, 34 years old, editor of the Austro-Hungarian paper, was arrested at New York yesterday, charged with assaulting his wife with a knife. Mrs. Grossman declared her husband to be an anarchist, and that he repeatedly told her he would consider himself highly honored if he could be do to President Roosevelt, what Czaroid did to President McKinley.

J. A. Blahon, general western traffic manager of the Great Northern, is to become vice-president January 11th, succeeding Darius Miller, made vice-president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. John C. Eden, traffic manager of the Eastern railway of Minnesota, a proprietary owner, becomes general traffic manager of the Great Northern, and W. W. Broughton, assistant general freight agent of the Northern Pacific, goes to the Eastern Minnesota in Mr. Eden's place.

OVERPOWERED BY GOLD. Old Man Found on Trail in a Precarious Condition. The first serious incident to occur on the northern trails this winter reported in recent advices from Skagway, Louis Lindeman, an old man about sixty years of age, was found frozen on the ice and snow near Tepee and was taken to that place for medical treatment. A report reached Skagway to the effect that he was lying in a precarious condition and the chances were that he would not survive.

Lindeman left Log Cabin three weeks ago for Atlin. When near Tepee his snow shoes broke and after struggling around awhile in the snow his limbs became frozen. When found he was unconscious and extremely near to death. Very meager particulars had been received of the case when the last boat left Skagway. It was known, however, that the man's partner was the first one to find him, and it is evident by that that the two became separated. Several residents of Tepee helped carry the poor man to that place for medical aid. The trail on which Mr. Lindeman met with the accident connects Atlin with the rest of the Yukon camps during the winter time. It is known as the "cut off" and joins the Skagway trail at Log Cabin. Tepee is about twelve miles distant from Log Cabin towards Atlin. The country is low, swampy and barren.

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ANOTHER RAILWAY LINE TO THE WEST

Company Seeking Incorporation Asks for Power to Build Road on Vancouver Island.

Notice is given in to-day's issue of the Times of an application to the parliament of Canada at its next session for the incorporation of the Canada Central railway company to construct and operate a line of railway from a point at the mouth of French river on Lake Huron to Lake Winnipeg, to the headquarters of the Montreal river thence to some point on or near Lake Winnipeg, and from there to the British Columbia, thence southerly in the vicinity of the North Thompson river, by way of Kamloops, to a point at or near Princeton, thence to New Westminster and Vancouver, with power to construct and operate a line of railway from some point on the South or East Coast of Vancouver Island to Victoria. Power is asked to build branch lines to Port Arthur, Port Essington and Port Simpson, on the Pacific coast, or from some point between Kamloops and Princeton to Grand Forks, and also from the North Thompson river to Ashcroft and Anderson lake. Thos. H. Johnson, of Winnipeg, is solicitor for applicants.

NOTICES IN GAZETTE. The Week's Batch of Announcements—Three Appointments and Other Items.

The Provincial Gazette, published last evening, contains the following appointments: Thomas John Cuminsky, of the city of Vernon, to be a license commissioner for the Northeast Yale license district, vice W. M. Cochrane, deceased. Frank W. Hardy, of Ymir, to perform the duties of a deputy mining recorder, at Ymir, for the Nelson mining division, during the absence upon leave of A. B. Buckworth, J. P.

John Ervin Hoosen, of the city of Rossland, to be mining recorder for the Trail Creek mining division. The Gazette contains particulars of the application to be made by the C. P. R. to the Dominion parliament, seeking certain privileges in connection with holding and operation of property outside the Dominion, reference to which appeared in these columns a week ago.

The Canadian General Electric Company, Ltd., has been licensed an extra dividend in stock of \$2,000,000, divided into 20,000 shares. The head office of the company is situated at Toronto, and the provincial head office is at Vancouver.

Courts of revisions under the Assessment Act will be held as follows: Nelson, on Saturday, January 11th, at 10 a.m., at the court-house, South Nanaimo, January 11th, and Slokan at the court-house, Kelso, on Friday, January 10th.

The small rocky islet off Merry Island, Welcome Pass, has been reserved for business purposes. The tract of land at the junction of the Babine and Haggwilet trails has been reserved for government purposes. Victor Monier, wholesale liquor dealer, of Phoenix, has assigned.

E. Bell, Indian agent, will apply on behalf of the Lillooet and of Indians to the commissioner of the Lillooet district for permission to record 100 inches of water from three small springs about four miles north of the town of Lillooet, for agricultural and domestic purposes.

Application will be made to change the name of the Esquamet-Wilson Company, Limited, to the B. Wilson Company, Limited.

J. D. Scott and G. W. Kennedy, carrying on business as dry goods merchants at Vancouver, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Kennedy will continue the business.

James G. Shields will apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to remove obstructions from Cellister creek, making it navigable for logs. The toll proposed to be charged is \$2 per thousand feet, based measurement.

THE APPROACHING MUNICIPAL RACE

A Letter From Lord Aberdeen

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Large Number Will Contest Elections

The first gun will soon be fired in what promises to be one of the liveliest election campaigns ever conducted in this city. Last year the mayor and aldermen were returned unopposed, which was in many quarters considered a tribute to their invincibility. This year there will necessarily be a spirited fight, as there is a field of candidates large and strong enough to satisfy the most discriminating elector.

Some Strong Aldermanic Material Among the Aspirants—Campaign Will Be Opened Shortly.

It is altogether probable that no candidate will enter the mayoralty lists against the present chief magistrate—at least so he has announced his determination to do so. The name of Lieut.-Col. Prior has been mentioned and a requisition asking him to resign contest the election, but the colonel has repeatedly denied that he has had the slightest intention of becoming a candidate.

Of the present aldermanic board only one member has thus far come out with a flat-footed refusal to again contest the elections. This is Ald. Stewart, who has represented Central ward in the council for four terms, three of them consecutively. To a Times reporter yesterday he stated that he had had enough of municipal legislation for the present, and under no circumstances would he enter the field for the approaching struggle.

None of the other aldermen has expressed intention of following in the footsteps of the Central ward city father just quoted, so doubtless the election day will see them at the scratch, as keen for the race as in previous years. In this event there will be five candidates for North ward, the present triumvirate, Alds. Kinman, Brydon and Beckwith, and Messrs. H. M. Graham and Geo. Jeeves. There are prophets who predict that the present trio will not resume their seats next year, but the municipal horoscope can show nothing further from present indications as there is lots of time for more candidates to enter the list, and there is always the possibility of a dark horse making his appearance at the last minute.

In Central ward, Ald. Stewart's retirement creates a vacuum, and here also it is predicted in some quarters that there will be more than one change in the aldermanic semi-circle. Alds. Williams and Yates will be on deck, and they will have as adversaries A. P. Luxton, Thos. I. Worthington and ex-Ald. William Humphrey.

So far, however, South ward has the largest number of candidates. Last year's aldermen, Messrs. Cameron, Cooley and Hall will enter the arena, and the new aspirants will be Messrs. F. W. Vincent, G. H. Barnard and Thornton Fell. The municipal seer who is blessed or troubled with second sight also anticipates a break in the trio from James Bay.

Some of the candidates have been diligently canvassing their respective wards for some time, while others while incidentally doing so, are more disposed to await the inauguration of the campaign in earnest, when they can present their views to the electors from the platform and through the press.

It is quite probable that the Point Ellice bridge question may prove a feature in the coming struggle, and doubtless the present council will endeavor to make some progress or at least satisfactorily dispose of the preliminaries before their term expires. At present it stands in statu quo. The only progress made being its reference to a committee of the whole council for full consideration with certain instructions. These were in effect to acquire necessary information from an expert, to call for tenders in the usual way, and to consider the advisability of having the structure done by day labor, and report generally to the council on the most expeditious course to adopt.

Thus far the committee of the whole has not met, and therefore they cannot report to the council, or give the necessary directions to the city engineer. If the council disposes of all the preliminary details, it will greatly facilitate progress in the matter, and enable the

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PROOF WANTED. The Colonist denies that the leader of the opposition has intrigued to thwart the purposes of the representatives of the people.

SCHOOL MATTERS. The letter from Mayor Hayward, published in another column, will no doubt be read with interest by every ratepayer.

AD. Hall is again a candidate for representative of South Ward in the City Council. The alderman thinks his special attention to the park and his later attitude on the bridge question should inspire the ratepayers with confidence in him.

A letter published in another column suggesting that if the outlying sections of the city desire sewers they should build them under the local improvement system, does not, we hope, reflect the spirit generally of those who are opposed to the by-law.

The Colonist says there is no truth in the rumor published in and sent out from Vancouver to the effect that Mr. Carter-Cotton was to become editor of the morning paper at the beginning of the year.

THE VANCOUVER MYSTERY. Has Mrs. Powell Been Murdered? Blood-Stained Hat and Sickle Found Yesterday.

EXPENDITURE ON SCHOOLS. To the Editor—Let us hope that before nomination day more interest than is now manifest will be taken in the approaching school trustees' election.

PERSONAL. Rev. W. H. Barracough, E. A. Mrs. Barracough and Master Barracough returned last evening from the Mainland, where the first snow has been for over a week on conference work.

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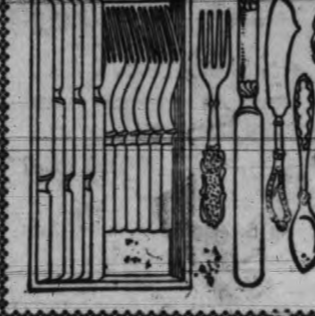
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Voluntary—Pastorale Symphony... Handel. Hymn... 206. Voluntary—The Night of the Trill... Dr. Lewis.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST. Rev. W. H. Barracough, B. A., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 2:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S. To-morrow there will be morning prayer and litany at 11 and evening at 7.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN. Morning and evening, Rev. W. Leslie Gray, B. A., Sunday school, 2:30 and Bible class, 3.

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VICTORIA, B. C. Nov., 16, 1901.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 28—5 a. m.—The barometer remains abnormally high in this vicinity, and the weather is likely to be generally fair and the winds moderate along the coast and throughout the Pacific slope, extending to California.

Forecasts.
For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday, Victoria and vicinity—Moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.53; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 8 miles E. E.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Clam chowder and oyster cocktails at the Senate.

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Have you tried our soft shell walnuts, 20 cents per pound? Mowat & Wallace, grocers, corner Yates and Douglas streets.

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Commencing on January 3rd the dances given by the Garrison Dance Club will be resumed.

Do you want shares in Similkameen Valley Coal Company, Ltd.? Tuesday is the last day you can buy at 50c.

Far West lodge, K. of P., met as usual Friday, and preparations were completed for the installation of the officers for the ensuing term.

Victoria Camp, No. 52, will install the officers elect next Friday evening in A. O. U. W. hall, when a social will be given by the choppers. All Woodmen are requested to be in attendance, as a first class programme will be presented, and a thoroughly enjoyable time is anticipated.

Sportsmen get your shotgun cartridges from Henry Short & Sons, and be sure of the best. All kinds on hand at lowest prices.

The Sunday school of the James Bay Methodist church will have their Christmas tree on Monday night. Persons not belonging to the school will be charged an admission fee of 10 cents for young people, and 25 cents for adults. The children of the school have prepared a good programme. The meeting opens at 8 p. m.

Victoria lodge, K. of P., held its regular weekly meeting on Thursday evening, when considerable business of importance was transacted. A committee was appointed to complete arrangements for a concert and smoker to be held on the night of installation, which will take place on January 9th, 1902. Invitations have been issued to members and friends in the city.

On Thursday evening last the regular weekly meeting of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., was held. There was a good attendance, and considerable business was transacted. It was decided that on Thursday, 9th of January, a debate will be held. The discussion will be conducted by the Rev. E. G. Miller and ex-Ald. Bragg. All members are requested to attend on the evening in question.

New by-laws have been adopted by Victoria lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., and will soon be ready for distribution among the members. The installation of officers will take place during next week. The committee in charge of the coming ball report progress, and it is expected that tickets will be issued shortly. The affair will no doubt be the event of the season, as the order is strong and very popular.

The remains of the late John Young were laid to rest yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from the family residence, Hill street, at 2:30 p. m., and later at Ross Bay cemetery, services appropriate to the occasion being conducted by Rev. Elliott S. Howe. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends and many floral designs were presented. The following acted as pall bearers: J. Develin, E. Develin, W. Craig and Victor Williams.

The Canadian Socialist League has decided to open their hall, No. 28 Broad street, to the public for citizens' meetings, similar to those held at Spring Ridge, free of charge, to give candidates and advocates of measures for the public welfare, an opportunity to present their views. The Socialists have no candidates in the field, but desire to afford the public an opportunity for free discussion. The hall will be open Mondays and Saturdays, commencing Monday next.

A fire in Phillips' clothing store, Government street, occupied the attention of the fire department shortly after 9 o'clock last night. The brigade was soon on the scene and the blaze was extinguished by the chemical with little damage. The fire was caused by live wires in a corner of the store. The promptitude of the department evidently prevented a large blaze, as a quantity of goods were smouldering when they arrived. Unfortunately, just as one of the engines was leaving the hall, Driver Mounat was thrown from his seat by the hub of the vehicle striking the side of the doorway. He was quickly picked up by Sergeant Redgrave and Fireman Thomas Hodge, who thus saved him from being run over by the following teams. He was struck on the head, when he was thrown, and received a cut on the side of his face. The department were certainly very prompt in dealing with the fire, water being turned on two minutes after the alarm sounded, while three minutes later the firemen were ready to return to headquarters.

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Large Number of Friends Last Night Enjoyed Hospitality of Chief and Mrs. Watson.

A large number of friends were royally entertained by the chief of the Victoria fire department and Mrs. Watson, in their commodious apartments at the fire hall last night. The hosts had omitted no arrangement which could provide pleasure for their guests, and everybody had a most enjoyable time. Mayor Hayward and Alds. Beckwith and Yates were among those present. His Worship unfortunately being compelled to leave early owing to other engagements.

A very pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to the chief by his firemen, of a handsome silver fruit stand, accompanied by an address. The presentation was made by Ald. Beckwith, on behalf of the department, and suitably acknowledged by the chief. The address was as follows:

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27, 1901.

Mr. Thos. Watson, Chief V. F. D.:

Sir:—It is with feelings of pleasure that we are called upon to accept your hospitality this evening, and feel that it is but one of the many instances in which you have endeavored to unite the members of the V. F. D. socially, and to foster the good will which should ever exist between the chief and his men.

You may rest assured that the call to duty will be keen on every member of your kind attitude towards us. Hoping that there will be no false alarms to disturb the serenity of our social gathering. We would ask you to accept the accompanying gift as a slight token of the esteem in which yourself and Mrs. Watson are held by the department.

During the evening an excellent programme was provided, every number being loudly applauded. Songs were rendered by Mrs. Collis Blain, Frank Leroy, banjo, guitar and violin selections by Messrs. McDowell, North and Hapton-stall; Chinese character songs, Chas. Palmer; songs, Chief Watson, etc.

One of the spacious rooms in the building had been converted into a dancing hall and here a number of couples danced to the excellent music provided by Mrs. Davis, until an early hour this morning.

Early in the evening the loud clang of the alarm interrupted the festivities, and the brigade turned out to the fire at Phillip's clothing store on Government street. The blaze was quickly extinguished, and the firemen were able to return

to the scene of the evening's pleasure in a very short time.

Throughout the evening the chief and Mrs. Watson were assisted in their pleasant capacities by Mrs. Coffin, Miss Ethel Sinclair, Miss Helen Baker, Miss Roach, Miss M. Lang, and Miss J. Lang.

The brigantine Blakeley, which was to have left to-day for Cocos Island in search of treasure, will not get away until next week. The brig is not yet quite ready for her voyage. Some necessary repairs to her rigging are going forward and 50 tons of ballast are being taken aboard. It is on account of the unexpected delay of the delivery of the latter that the treasure hunters are detained. The crew has not yet been shipped, although the officers have been appointed.

An especially inviting programme has been prepared by Bandmaster Finn for this evening's promenade concert at the drill hall. The musical numbers are varied and interesting, and include many first time numbers. Arthur Salvini is to be the extra attraction. Mr. Salvini will sing this evening with military band accompaniment.

The adjourned meeting of the board of school trustees in the city superintendent's office will commence to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

I. O. O. F. ball committee will hold a meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the library, at which all members are requested to be present.

Misleading Statements About Breakfast Foods

Ordinary cracked wheat and wheat granules are sold by some manufacturers as health foods. This is untrue and misleading to the masses who use grain foods at breakfast. This wheat food (it matters not by what name it is called) contains too much starch which gives rise to thousands of cases of stomach trouble.

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There is nothing more acceptable to a lady than the gift of a few pairs of gloves—for no matter how many pairs she has, she is always glad to get more.

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Prices from \$3.75

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A couple of drunks were disposed of in the police court this morning. One was fined \$2.50 and the other \$5, with the usual alternative.

The children of St. Columba Presbyterian church, Oak Bay, held their annual Christmas treat last night; a large number were in attendance and an excellent programme was provided. A couple of Christmas trees, laden with a great variety of presents for the children, had been arranged and presented a beautiful appearance, both being brilliantly illuminated with numerous electric lights.

And no NEW YEAR CALLING CARDS ordered either.

January 1st, 1902

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MANY LIVES LOST ON INLAND LAKE

HUNDRED AND SEVENTY LABORERS DROWNED

Catholic Demands for Reparation Cause Trouble in Southern Part of the Province of Honan.

Oriental advice just to hand tell of shipwreck and big loss of life on Lake Baikal. A correspondent writing to the Press from Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal, reports that on October 28th, during a violent storm on the lake, three barges in tow of the steamer Yakov broke the tow line and were carried away. One was cast on shore without loss of life to its occupants, while another was smashed into splinters on rocks and 170 laborers who were on board were all drowned. It is also reported that a violent storm on the Chinese Eastern railway wrecked a passenger train near Omon station, killing two passengers and injuring fourteen passengers and two postal clerks. A correspondent writes to the North China Daily News: "Advice from Honan report the attempted formation of the Linchuang Hui in the southern part of the province. Exorbitant demands for reparation, having been put forth by members of the Roman Catholic church, the official there decided that the people should pay as demanded. Many did so, some 200, some 300 taels, and so on per family, but some families utterly refused to pay for what all considered most unfair. A theatre play, a common practice in China, was arranged, at which all the people being present willing to unite to resist these iniquitous demands were to be enrolled in the United Villages association. The official, fearing trouble, wisely forbade the theatre and allowed those who had not paid their amounts to reckon as if paid or to pay smaller amounts, and tried to make some other way to raise the needed money. The Christians of the Protestant churches have not altogether been free from blame in their demands, but their claims, through the oversight of the missionaries, have all been reduced to a very much fairer, and consequently smaller amount, in some cases more than one-half and in other cases two-thirds of their claim being taken off, while the foreign missionaries are refusing all compensation for themselves and their missions."

Correspondence from Peking under date of November 9th says: "To-day, being the third day after the death of Li Hung Chang, is the special day for the mourning family to receive condolence from Chinese friends here come throughout the day. In the afternoon an interesting spectacle was that of the visit of the diplomatic body, some of the legation secretaries, and a few other sympathizing friends. The hour appointed was 3 o'clock. A strange coincidence was the absence from Peking of five out of eleven ministers. A charge d'affaires represented each one absent. Chinese soldiers were drawn up in a line at the door and along the street where the residence of the viceroys family is situated. The foreign guests passed into one of the courts, which was covered over with matting. Tables with refreshments were arranged in the court. After the full delegation had arrived and a little conversation, they all passed through a building where the viceroys had received guests, into the next court, likewise covered with matting. Directly in front was a tablet to the deceased, while the coffin with remains surrounded with offerings and incense was in the room beyond. The two sons of the deceased, dressed in mourning of white, stood at one side of the tablet. Other offerings were spread near the altar. Taoist and Buddhist priests with many Chinese officials in mandarin robes stood around the side. The dayen, Baron Czikann de Kakhorn, approached at the head of the delegation, and spoke a few words of fitting appreciation and condolence. The oldest son replied in Chinese, and the next son translated it into English. Most of the guests bowed to the tablet, and retired to the front court. After partaking of refreshments, they departed in stately order to the beating of the foreign drum. Thus was honored the one Chinese man who has had the widest acquaintance with foreigners."

The pioneer motor-cycle in China is noted in recent Hongkong newspapers, one of which says: "A great deal of surprise and no little amusement was caused among the Wanchai Chinese community by the spectacle of a well-dressed Chinaman careering along the Praya on a motor-cycle. The machine was of the saddle type with seats for two behind, and these were occupied by two Chinese ladies, who appeared to relish very much the novelty of the situation. The Chinese are not prone to Western innovations, yet the use by them of the motor-cycle is increasing in the colony, and no doubt this pioneer motor will bring others in its train."

A Kailong dispatch to Shanghai, dated November 10th, states that on the day before Prince Ching had a very long audience of the emperor's dowager, who made detailed inquiries as to the conduct of foreigners towards Chinese in Peking. At the conclusion of the audience Prince Ching strongly urged the empress dowager to issue a special edict announcing the date of the court's departure from Kailong for Peking. Her Majesty is alleged to have nodded pleasantly when Prince Ching made the request, hence it is thought that the court may start for Peking by the middle of December.

The Hongkong Daily Press's Canton correspondent reports the loss of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's steamship Fushun, 2,364 tons, Captain W. H. Lunt, on November 22nd, at Canton. The steamer was completely gutted by fire, which originated from the upsetting of an oil lamp. The officers escaped, but one fireman and several Chinese passengers lost their lives. The Fushun was lying at her buoy when the fire broke out at 1:30 o'clock in the morning. She had on board about twenty Chinese passengers. An oil lamp was upset in a cabin near the captain's room and the flames spread with great rapidity. Within half an hour the steamer was in flames from end to end, the flames lighting up the harbor for a great distance. Efforts to stay the progress of the fire proved futile and in four hours the decks fell in, leaving the steamer a mere hollow shell with sides glowing with a red heat which made approach to within effective working distance an impossibility. The Fushun had a part cargo aboard. She was built at Glasgow in 1883.

SHIPMENTS FROM LIVERPOOL DIRECT

ARE BROUGHT BY THE STEAMER PING SUEY

Tees Returns from the North-City of Nanaimo Touches in Canal Pass - Accident to Coleman.

Shipment from Liverpool direct for merchants in London are aboard the steamer Ping Suey, the large liner of the China Mutual fleet which arrived from the Orient last night, and is today at the outer wharf. The consignments are the first which have been landed here by the steamer, although shipments have been made on other vessels. In fact, the Ping Suey in latitude 48.50 north, 173.34 west. The barometer fell to 28.60, and a tremendous wind blew. The fury of the gale increased, but the steamer held its pretty well astern and came along unretarded. The steamer brought for Victoria 120 tons of general Orient cargo for this city, and a very large freight for the Sound. The Opack, another of the China Mutual lines, will arrive on Monday on her way to the Sound to load 800 tons of salted salmon for Japan at the outer wharf.

MASTERS' UNION MEETING.
The second meeting of the certificated masters and mates will be held in the Marine Engineers' rooms, Five Sisters block, this evening to complete the work of organizing a union. The first meeting held a couple of weeks ago at the association has had an energetic committee working on the framing of a constitution, and at the meeting to-night this committee will make its report. A great deal of interest is being taken in the association, for with such an existence, local mariners see their way clear to settling many abuses of navigators' rights. Those attending are requested to bring their certificates.

TOUCH THE ROCKS.
In coming down to Victoria yesterday on the final leg of her coast run, the steamer City of Nanaimo had a very narrow escape from being hung up on the rocks. When going through Canon Pass the wind caught her and swung her stern around dangerously close to the rocks. Her masters thought it was believed that this is only the portion of the ship which came in contact with the rocks. One of two of the propeller blades were knocked off, and in consequence the steamer had to be docked today in order to receive a new wheel. She was placed on Bullen's ways.

ANOTHER RAMONA.
The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's new passenger steamer Ramona, being built for the run between San Francisco and San Pedro, has just been launched. Little Helen Goodall, a pretty daughter of Captain Charles Minor Goodall, christened the vessel. The Ramona is the largest steamer ever launched on the Oakland side of the bay and is to cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000. She will have staterooms for 150 passengers. The machinery throughout will be of the most modern type and the steamship will be able to make about thirteen knots per hour.

BROKE HER SHAFT.
When towing the brigantine Irwin to Port Townsend yesterday, the American tug J. K. Colman broke her shaft, and was obliged to drop the vessel. She drifted from Discovery Island to Ross Bay, where she dropped anchor and awaited the return of the chief engineer. He had come ashore last night and proceeded to the boat to see what the trouble was. The shaft was found to be broken, which crossed the Straits the morning to take the steamer back to the Sound.

MARINE NOTES.
R. M. S. Empress of Japan was scheduled to leave Yokohama for Victoria yesterday. The Empress of India, now at Vancouver, will sail on Monday. Steamer Athenian is due to-day from the Orient. She left Yokohama this day after the Ping Suey sailed from that port.

DIVIDING LEGACY

Edna Wallace Hopper's Brother Relinquishes His Claim to the Fortune for Monthly Allowance.

Thomas Wallace, the only brother of Edna Wallace Hopper, the actress, and a joint heir with her to a fortune of over \$200,000, today relinquished claim to the estate for \$500 cash, and a promise of \$100 a month during his life, says a Chicago dispatch of the 24th. The negotiations were carried on secretly at the Auditorium annex, and as soon as the agreement was signed, Miss Hopper, with her attorney, returned to New York, just twenty-four hours after they arrived in Chicago.

Thomas Wallace has lived in Chicago for years, and is engaged in the salmon business. Mrs. Wallace, the mother, after being a widow for many years, married Alexander Dunsen, the marriage taking place after Edna Wallace was divorced from Dr. Wolf Hopper. A few weeks after the marriage Mr. Dunsen died, leaving his widow Mrs. Wallace, the mother, after being a widow for many years, married Alexander Dunsen, the marriage taking place after Edna Wallace was divorced from Dr. Wolf Hopper. A few weeks after the marriage Mr. Dunsen died, leaving his widow Mrs. Wallace, the mother, after being a widow for many years, married Alexander Dunsen, the marriage taking place after Edna Wallace was divorced from Dr. Wolf Hopper.

Nasal Catarrh Cured

By Powley's Liquefied Ozone--W. H. Gould of London Makes Strong Statement.

Nasal catarrh nine times out of ten is one of nature's evidences of a weakened system. It's the red flag that warns of lung trouble, wasting and consumption. Powley's Liquefied Ozone will quickly rid you of catarrh and system weakness. It will make you healthy and give you the healthy man's immunity to the germs of disease.

Gentlemen: For some time I have been troubled with catarrh in the nose, and general run down condition. I decided to try your remedy, Powley's Liquefied Ozone, and after taking two bottles it has completely cured me. You are at liberty to use this testimonial in any way you desire for the benefit of other sufferers.
(Signed) W. H. GOULD, JR., 217 Hamilton Rd., London, Ont.

It doesn't take very long for Powley's Liquefied Ozone to make its beneficial action felt. It will build the system in a remarkably short time. Local applications for nasal catarrh are best applied by atomizer or as a douche. They consist of 1/2 teaspoonful Ozone, 1/2 teaspoonful glycerine to eight parts of water. Internal doses should be taken three times a day and at bed time.

50c. and \$1.00 at all druggists,
THE OZONE CO., OF TORONTO, LIMITED,
Toronto and Chicago.



FOR PROTECTORATE.

Donation for the Little Ones on Christmas Day.

The little inmates of St. Aloysius Protectorate had a most enjoyable time on Christmas day, and wish to thank their many friends for so kindly remembering them during the festive season. The following donations are most gratefully acknowledged: Mr. Nolte, \$5; A. Friend, \$2; Mrs. Fee, \$1; Mrs. McDierson, \$1; Mrs. Bridges and three of her pupils; Myrtle Holmes, Miss Stephens and George Babbington—very generous gift of provisions; Erskine & Wall sack of flour; Dixie H. Ross & Co., sack of potatoes; Mr. Porter, sack of beef; B. C. Market, roast of beef; Mrs. Alex. Davie, roast of beef; Mr. Sere, box of apples; Mr. Baines, box of candy; Mrs. Parent, provisions; Mrs. Patton, groceries; Mrs. L. McOmada, turkey; Mrs. Cant, Barr, goose; Miss Steiner, turkey; Mrs. Lubbe and Mrs. Patton, 1 doz. pairs of mittens for the boys; Mrs. Goosie, fruit-cakes; Mr. Russell, toys; also other generous donations who did not wish to have their names mentioned.

A MAN OF POWER

You Can Regain Your Vigor from Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt. NO CURE, NO PAY.



There are honor and happiness in vigorous manhood and womanhood. Don't you want to feel the glow of new-born life in your blood and nerves, to feel the bubbling spirit of youth again? Don't you want to have a strong heart, courage, nerves of steel, self-confidence, strength in every organ, ambition, energy, grit and endurance? Don't you want to be rid of the "come-and-go" pains, the Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Varicocele, Weak Back and General Debility?

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Any man or woman who will secure me can have my appliance and pay when cured. I ask no pay in advance.

If you are tired of useless drugging and have spent all your time and money without benefit, call or write to-day. I have made over 50,000 people strong and vigorous, and which describes my treatment and gives full information.

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DYING OF CANCER.

Doctors Had Given Up All Hope, But the New Constitutional Remedy Effectuated a Complete Cure.

Some people are inclined to say when they hear of Cancer being cured, "Oh, it likely wasn't Cancer at all!" Here is a case that should settle the matter at once and for all, as far as the new remedy is concerned. A lady living in the Province of Quebec, writes that her husband was very ill, one doctor thought it bilious fever. As the man was getting worse two doctors were called in consultation and they pronounced it a case of tumor of the stomach of a cancerous nature, and that the patient could not live.

Our Constitutional remedy for Cancer was sent for, and the result of using it was marvellous. Pain disappeared, the patient gradually gained strength and in a few months time he was perfectly well and able to do farm work.

The full report of this case is given on page 31 of our new book, "Cancer, Its Cause and Cure," sent to any address on receipt of two stamps. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville.

GARBNER AND CHARACTER OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

An address by Joseph Choate, Ambassador to Great Britain, on the career and character of Abraham Lincoln—his early life—his early struggles with the world's character as developed in the later years of his life and his administration, which placed his name so high on the world's roll of honor and fame, has been published by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R.R. Co. in postage to P. A. 20c. Six (6) cents in postage to P. A. 20c. It may be had by sending General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

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Your skirt will never need rebinding, and DUXBAK will not chafe the shoes. It is waterproof, and does not hold the dust and dirt.

The genuine has the letters S. H. & M. stamped on the back of every yard.

It's one of the S. H. & M. make.

FOR EXTINGUISHING FIRE.

A gas that will put out fire has been experimented with recently with some very striking results. The name of this useful anti-fire agent is sulphur-dioxide gas.

A lighted torch was thrust into a chamber containing some of this gas and it was instantly extinguished. A long lighted torch was slowly inserted in the chamber, and as it entered the fire was extinguished at the same rate of progression.

A broad red-hot bar of iron was inserted in the chamber and a torch composed of straw dipped in naphtha was then placed upon the iron, but neither the naphtha nor the straw ignited.

A broad red-hot bar of iron was inserted in the chamber and thrust into a bucket of naphtha, the result being similar to that of placing a red-hot iron in a bucket of water.

The chamber, which at the commencement of the experiments had contained about 6 per cent. of sulphur-dioxide gas, was now opened, and after the gas had been dispersed a bonfire consisting of wood, straw and other inflammable articles, over which a bucketful of naphtha had been thrown, was lit and allowed to burn freely, the door was closed and the generator was started. In a very short time the fire was extinguished.

These facts were put forward at the Royal United Service Institution recently by Commander W. F. Caborn, R.N.R., in the course of a lecture upon "The Spontaneous Combustion of Coal on Board Ship." Sometimes the big black store of coal on board ship suddenly blazes up without any visible cause, and this, indeed, is one of the most awful of the terrors of the sea. It was expected that coal always absorbs oxygen from air, and always gen-

HOLIDAY PERFUMES

Cut Glass Bottles in Fancy Packages... Prices Range From 50c. to \$5.00

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LIFE BUOY FOUND AT CADBORO BAY

RELIC OF THE STORM BROUGHT TO CITY

Bankburn Safe at San Juan Island—Storm Did Not Extend Beyond Queen Charlotte Sound.

With the wires still out of working order to the provincial mainland, to the Sound, and to points on the West Coast it is impossible to add anything much to the stories of shipwreck already told regarding the storm.

DYSPEPSIA OF WOMEN

Requires Treatment Which Acts in Harmony With the Female System.

Letter from Mrs. Wright, President of Brooklyn, N.Y., Round Table, Proves this Claim.

A great many women suffer with a form of indigestion or dyspepsia which does not seem to yield to ordinary medical treatment.



MRS. MAGGIE WRIGHT.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For two years I suffered more or less with dyspepsia which so degenerated my entire system that I was unfit to properly attend to my daily duties."

How a Serious Tumor Case Was Cured. "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Some time ago I wrote you that my regular physician had made an examination and told me I was afflicted with a tumor in my womb."

It would seem by these statements that women would save time and much sickness if they would write to Mrs. Pinkham for advice as soon as any incipient illness appears.

\$5000 REWARD.—We have deposited with the National City Bank of Lynn, \$5000, which will be paid to any person who can find the above testimonial letters...

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CAMPBELL'S New Year's Gifts. Our stock is well assorted in articles suitable for New Year's Gifts. UNBRELLAS—with Choice handles. KID GLOVES—in Tans, Modes and Black.

appearing on it. On all life buoys provided on board a British ship the name of the vessel as also the port from which she sails appears in big letters, but on the one just found "W. Ten, W." is all that is shown, with intervals between the syllables.

Victoria, B. C., December 24th, 1901. The B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Co., Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:—I have just received your cheque for the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450.00) in settlement of the withdrawal value of my ten shares of Class "C" accumulative stock, being a return of the full amount paid in during the last three and one-half years at the rate of ten dollars per month, also four per cent. interest for the average time of investment.

Progress and Success. Progress and success have been the business reward up to the present time. No need to enlarge on our dispensing facilities; this department is run on the most approved system; promptness and accuracy mark all our work.

Drill Hall Concert TO-NIGHT ARTHUR SALVINI, REGIMENTAL BAND

SALE OF FURS AT The White House Every one to be cleared out before New Year.

MASONIC INSTALLATION. Officers of Vancouver-Quadra Lodge Formally Installed in Positions.

Vancouver-Quadra lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., installed the officers for the ensuing year last evening, the ceremony being conducted by District Deputy Grand Master T. N. Woodgate, ably assisted by an efficient staff of grand lodge officials.

The officers for the year are as follows: W. M., A. W. Walker; S. W., W. F. C. Pope; J. W., J. J. Randolph; Secretary, A. M. Muir; Treas., B. H. Helsterman; S. D., A. W. Currie; J. D., H. M. Graham; I. G., L. Tate; Tyler, F. Stockham; S. S., H. J. Scott; J. S., A. McAfee; Dir. of Cere., K. V. Moore.

After installation the Craft adjourned to the banquet room, where a sumptuous dinner was served, which was under the supervision of Bro. Kee, and the usual Masonic toasts were drunk. A large gathering of visiting brethren were present and added considerably to the entertaining portion of the proceedings.

Victoria-Columbia will install officers next Thursday evening.

A good heavy oococ mat at the front door prevents the dirt being carried into the house, but be sure you get a good one as the common kind are useless. We keep the best. Weller Bros.

WINES, LIQUORS, ETC

G. H. Mumm's Extra Dry Champagne, Kilmarnock Scotch, Gooderham & Worts' 1884 Special Rye, Jesse Moore's Celebrated Bourbon, Lemps' Extra Pale St. Louis Beer, Prorer's Clarets and Sauternes, English, French and German Liqueurs, Playing Cards—"Bicycles," "Tigers," "Dougherty's," also the celebrated "Bee" Brand Squeezers.

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CAN'T YOU DECIDE? Gifts for Ladies, Gents, and the Household

Solator Cases, \$2.00 up. Shaving Sets, from \$2.50. Pair of Razors in Cases, from \$3.00. 25 styles Carver Cases, \$3.00 up. Beautiful Purse, from \$1.50. Gent's Pocket Books, \$1.00 up. Oak Butter Dishes and Bread Boards, from 75c. Table and Dessert Knives, from \$3.50. Military Brushes, per case, from \$2.00. All kinds of Pocket Knives (Sheffield), 25c. to \$7.00. Footballs, \$1.75 to \$4.50.

FOX'S, 78 Government Street.

REMEMBER Mackilligin's V. O. Scotch IS THE WHISKY OF THE DAY. W. A. WARD, LTD. Bank of Montreal Bld. Victoria, B.C.

New Goods Opened Since Christmas Calendars and New Year's Cards AT T. N. HIBBEN & CO. AUCTION, W. JONES, Auctioneer, Will Dispose by PUBLIC SALE 58 BROAD STREET, Monday and Tuesday, 2 P. M.

VICTORIA THEATRE. THURSDAY, JAN. 2. THE BUSY MAN OF TO-DAY

THE BUSY MAN OF TO-DAY. Couldn't accomplish half the work without the aid of the many labor-saving electric appliances. If you want your house, store or building wired for electric lighting, burglar alarm, call bells, telephones or any electrical device, we will do it in the most scientific manner at a reasonable price.

MONUMENTS BE SURE TO Get STEWART'S Prices

THE HINTON ELECTRIC CO. LD. 62 GOVERNMENT STREET. MARRIED. HARVEY BOYER—At Mission, on Dec. 25th, by Rev. Mr. Hicks, A. Harwell and Miss Jessie Boyer.

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VICTORIA, B. C., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1901.

Novelties in Mantles and Hats from Paris.

THE GAY SEASON IN PARIS.

ERMINE STOLE, WITH MUFF TO MATCH, THE LATEST FASHIONABLE CREATION.

Paris, Saturday.

Paris is not gay yet, but still the clothes are gay enough to attract one's attention from the fact that this is not the full time of the year from a social point of view. Such fascinating models for the house, for the street, for the day and for the evening were surely never designed before. It would seem as though each woman's individual style had been studied, so that none could have the excuse for being unbecomingly gowned.

For street wear there are three or four distinct styles. There are really short skirts—not rainy day skirts, either—but fascinatingly made and trimmed as any reception gown. These are of rough cloth, of velveteens and of corduroys, and are made with blouse and fancy coats of all kinds and also with three-quarter coats. The skirts are plaited, tucked and trimmed; made with several gores, or with attached flounce, with lines of braid or straps on every seam; with insertions of heavy lace and cut work; with narrow bands of velvet and with rows of machine stitching.

The blouse coat, double-breasted and made so that it can be worn open to show elaborate revers, braided or embroidered or faced with fur; the belted jacket, the Louis XV. coat, the jacket with jacket fronts and position backs trimmed with heavy lace, folds of satin brocade waistcoat, or rare fur, are worn with the short skirts as well as with the long. Velvet, satin and cloth are all used in the construction thereof.

The sleeves are larger than they were—quite full below the elbow and with fancy undersleeve. Puffed velvet is used for the cuffs and trimmings, and full fronts on the coat and in many different colorings, some to harmonize, others to contrast. With the velvet is used fancy braid of all descriptions, with a thread of gold, silver or tinsel and with the colored stones as well. But there is nothing like the Parisian display of the

gold, silver and so-called jeweled braid of last year.

The excessive use of fur is a marked characteristic of the season, and the extravagance consequent upon it is, of course, very great. A woman is not considered prodigal in these days when she owns two or three fur coats and wears them as casually as though they were ordinary cloth jackets.

There is one superb model of a coat of the Persian in moire weave, which is like a piece of silk, so soft and supple is the skin. The design is a long, loose sack coat, curved at the sides, with the straight fronts and wide sleeves. The entire coat is lined with ermine, and there is a wide, square collar, revers and cuffs of the ermine, which is dazzling against the black fur.

To make this coat becoming—which ermine so rarely is—a tie of rare old lace is worn, which makes the ermine take on quite a different shade, while the lace against the skin is most becoming.

The smartest stole of all this year is of ermine, with insertions of old lace and finished with ruffles of the same. This piece of fur is narrower around the shoulders and at the ends, which are quite broad and fan-shaped, and so long that they reach to the hem of the skirt.

There is a muff to match, with full, wide ruffles of the lace. There is also a little hat of the lace, trimmed with the ermine. The price asked for the entire set is sufficient to keep an ordinary healthy family in food for a year or two.

As to hats, so attractive are the models, so becoming the different shapes, that women think money is well invested in headgear. There are wide flat hats to be worn forward over the face, picture hats with the brim turned up at one side, hats covered with feathers and hats made of feathers. Those covered with feathers are of rough beaver or velvet, with long ostrich plumes; those of feathers entirely composed of ostrich feathers sewed on tulle, or with shaded

wings and breasts sewed together so that the entire hat is covered with them.

For evening wear the fashion of the moment is the white lace hat or the white tulle, with a decided preference in favor of the lace as being the most expensive. Irish point, old English point and Brussels point lace are all used, but the Irish point lace hats are rather the smartest.

In the white tulle the fad is to have platings of tulle sewed round and round upon a flat frame, the brim turned up all around, faced with a rough fuzzy material that looks like wool, and this embroidered with pearls or gold beads or with silver. It is very effective, and the hat is almost always becoming.

Then there are tulle hats—these last, though not the newest styles, made entirely of fluted tulle in pink or blue and

trimmed with ostrich tips. They are precisely the same style, shape and color hats that are worn by little children in midsummer, but now grace the heads of the same children's mammams and occasionally grandmammams in the guise of midwinter theatre bonnets.

The white fur hats are very smart, but are quite small and are worn with white tulle veils, with black spots. They are always on the fashion or to be ordered, and have no trimming excepting the fur itself. There are also some hats made entirely of sable and chinchilla, and these are trimmed with light blue and light pink silk wings.

LIFE OF THE BILLIARD BALL.

Few persons who wield a billiard cue are aware of the time, trouble and expense of making the ivory spheres. The billiard ball in its natural state is the principal means of defence for an elephant. In time the elephant falls a victim to the venturesome hunter and he parts with his tusks, which are the most valuable of all his possessions to commerce. Most of the tusks find their way to London, which is the greatest sales mart for ivory.

In the window of one of the large manufacturing billiard balls in this city lies a tusk about two feet long. It was purchased some years ago, and while being sawed in two the saw came in contact with an obstruction. It passed to be a rifle bullet, which had penetrated the elephant's tusks when quite young, for the whole inside had a decayed appearance.

There are different kinds of ivory, and only the finest kinds are suitable for making billiard balls. The best comes from the small tusks, which are from four to six inches in diameter at the thickest end. They are sawed into blocks, each section being large enough to allow of the turning of a single ball.

The factories devoted to the billiard ball industry in this country usually receive the ivory in this shape, the sections being marked so that the turner knows from what part of the tusk each piece comes, and in this way can calculate as to its grain and quality. It takes a long time to produce a perfect billiard ball, and only skilled labor is employed.

The exact centre of the ball is first discovered by means of measurement. The block is then placed in a socket, and one-half of the ball is turned by an instrument made of the finest and sharpest edged steel. The half-turned ball is hung up in a net for a while; then the second half is turned, and the ball hung up as before in a room the temperature of which is kept from 60 to 70 degrees.



SEA-GREEN CLOTH MANTLE WITH CAPUCHON TRIMMED WITH DARGUERIE AND COLLAR OF WHITE BEAR FUR.



MANTLE WORN IN 'LA POMPADOUR' BY MME. REJANE BY REDFERN.



MANTLE IN OPAL BLUE MUSLIN VELVET, TRIMMED WITH HAND-MADE COLORED LACE AND PERAN FUR.



THREE-QUARTER VELVET MANTLE TRIMMED WITH DARGUERIE AND PASTEL CLOTH DESIGNS IN PASSE MENTERIE.

The roughly turned ball is kept in this position about a year. Then comes the polishing, whitening, etc. A good deal of hard rubbing is also necessary, as the ball, before being used, should be as near a certain weight as possible and measure two and three-eighths inches in diameter. It has been found impossible to get two balls exactly the same weight. Very often they will be heavier on one side than on the other, and frequently they split right through the centre. This is due to decay.

The price of ivory for making billiard balls has greatly increased within the last few years, and the demand exceeds the supply. A prominent billiard company has offered \$10,000 for a perfect substitute for ivory, but nothing has thus far been invented that combines the elasticity and durability of ivory.

Not until after it has been placed on the table is the real life of the billiard ball shown. The pores of the ivory may close, and then, if the ball is kept in a hot room, it is likely to crack, or it may crack by reason of concussion with other balls. This is one of the greatest difficulties to contend against. To overcome this the balls should be kept in as even a temperature as possible.

When a billiard ball is first used it occupies the first rank. A crack may soon be exposed, and then it is returned to the factory. The nick is shaved off, and it comes back slightly smaller in size. It may then find its way into some second rate billiard room. After some more hard usage it is again returned to the factory, and comes forth again much reduced in size, and probably becomes a cue ball in pool.

After it is found to be practically useless for the purposes for which it was originally made, it is bought by dealers in bone and ivory, and the ball is then turned into buttons or turned and used in the making of ivory black.

COFFEE DRINKING IN AMERICA.

"That reminds me," said a grocer, while he tied up a pound of coffee for a customer, "that I have just been reading some interesting figures which impress me with the fact that coffee is our national beverage. Of course, we do drink tea, but not to the extent that the English do, and we drink whiskey as well as the Irish, beer as well as the Germans, and wine as well as the French; but we

best the whole lot of them together on coffee.

"We actually consume half of the world's coffee crop. Think of that!"

"We annually use over 800,000,000 pounds, or a little more than 10 pounds for each man, woman and child of the nation. Do you know that within 20 years we have spent \$875,000,000 for coffee."

"The amount is increasing every year, and last year—according to the figures—we spent a little more than \$32,000,000 for coffee."

"The agricultural department is my authority, and it says that we are rap-

idly increasing the quantity we use. It keeps the planters busy meeting our demand."

"The Hawaiian Islands, Porto Rico, Samoa, and the Philippines are busy in trying to meet the demand for coffee by adding to the production of other coffee raising countries."

PATHETIC.

"If I die, will you promise to visit my grave?"

"Yes, every Sunday afternoon I'll take the children out and show them your grave. They ought to have some amusement."



MODELS OF STYLISH HATS FOR THE WINTER SEASON.



PROFESSOR NUDLEKOPF'S DISCOVERY

By F. Strothmann.

The renowned Professor Nudlekopf was seated in his study one evening, busily engaged in writing the last chapter of his great book, which was to prove to everybody that there is no such thing as a brownie. He had never seen a brownie, and so, he reasoned, there wasn't any, never had been and never could be.

"Now, you must know that the Professor considered this book the effort of his life; indeed, the worthy gentleman was even at that moment picturing to himself how the whole world would soon be ringing with the musical name of Nudlekopf, and how its possessor would be hailed as a great and good man."

"He was much pleased with himself and his work, and his pen scratched merrily on till finally the last word was written. 'Faint coronat opus,' remarked the Professor to himself with a smile of satisfaction. 'The end crowns the work,' he might have said in plain English, but no professor was ever known to use plain English when it could possibly be avoided.

"Faint coronat opus." It sounded so well that he said it again, and then, dipping his pen in the ink, he was about to make the very last dot behind the very last word of his writing, when he was startled by a loud squeak that came from the dark corner across the room. He had set a trap there that very morning, baited with a tempting lump of cheese, to catch a tiny half-starved mouse that had of late been making its presence known by gnawing great holes right through some of the Professor's dearest books, which, by the way, must have been very dry eating, indeed.

"Ah! ha!" said he now, "the mouse, a small rodent quadruped of the genus mus, inhabiting houses and subsisting chiefly on precious manuscripts and cheese."

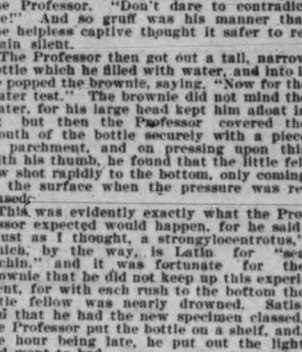
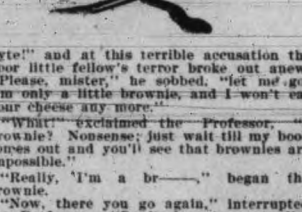
Thus soliloquizing, he laid down his pen and arose to bring the prisoner forth; but judge of his surprise to find covering in a corner of the little wire cage, no mouse at all, but the funniest creature he had ever laid eyes upon! It had a little head and legs, but from which peered two bright little eyes in wonder and terror at its surroundings.

"Of course either you or I would have known at a glance that the captured mammal was nothing more nor less than a veritable brownie, but, strange to say, the Professor, who I am sure knew everything in science, did not know it. He admitted to himself, however, that he had never seen just such a creature before, and came to the conclusion that he had discovered some new species."

Now, if there is anything in this world that can make a professor happy it is such a discovery, and our professor was no exception. In a moment the manuscript was pushed aside, the magnifying glass brought out, and the brownie was being examined all over. When the poor little fellow saw that awful, magnifying eye, staring at him through the glass he thought his time had come, and he kicked and squirmed frantically to escape. The more he kicked, however, the tighter those terrible fingers closed around his little body, and he soon saw the uselessness of his efforts.

When he found that he was not to be killed outright, however, he subsided into quiet, and the Professor was able to pursue his investigation undisturbed.

"H'm," said the old gentleman at last, "I guess you must be a stenoelcrotrotus drobachensis or at the very least a trog-



taining toads, lizards, snakes and other hideous reptiles, and the brownie shuddered when he thought how nearly he had met a similar fate. On the walls were cases filled with brilliant jewels, butterflies and moths, each preserved through and through with a pin, and suspended from the ceiling were many birds, with outstretched wings and eyes of glass. Books and papers and instruments were heaped up everywhere, till it was almost impossible to move about, even for a brownie.

The little fellow tried to smash some of the bottles, but they all withstood his efforts. Then he clambered up the leg of a chair to the seat, and thence he hopped to the table. The finished manuscript lay there just as the Professor had left it, and to the left stood the ink bottle, which the Professor had forgotten to cork before retiring.

A plan for revenge flashed through his mind, and, without waiting another moment, he proceeded to put it into execution.

Getting his tiny fingers under the edge of the ink bottle and exerting all the strength that was in his little body, he managed to tip the bottle up on edge, and then, with a pull and a tug and push, over it went, and out poured the ink as a gurgling black cascade, forming immediately into little rivers and lakes and seas, which flowed in all directions over the closely written pages.

"What!" exclaimed the Professor, "a brownie? Nonsense; just wait till my book is inked, and you'll see that brownies are impossible."

"Really, I'm a br—" began the brownie, but he was interrupted.

The Professor then got out a tall, narrow bottle which he filled with water, and into it he popped the brownie, saying, "Now for the water test. The brownie did not mind the water, for his large head kept him afloat in it; but then the Professor covered the mouth of his bottle with a piece of parchment, and on pressing upon this with his thumb, he found that the little fellow shot rapidly to the bottom, only coming to the surface when the pressure was released."

This was evidently exactly what the Professor expected would happen, for he said: "Just as I thought, a stenoelcrotrotus, which, by the way, is Latin for 'sea-urchin,' and it was fortunate for the brownie that he did not keep up this experiment, for with each rush to the bottom the little fellow was nearly drowned. Satisfied that he had the new specimen clasped, the Professor put the bottle on a shelf, and the hour being late, he put out the light and went to bed."

Thus left to his own devices, the poor chap kicked and struggled for a long time with all his might to get himself free, but to no purpose, till at last he began to give way to despair. What would his mother think when he did not come home that night, or the next, or any other night?

The thought of home made him desperate, and, with an effort that for a brownie was simply superhuman, he set the tall vessel tottering on its hanging base, and then, one mighty kick up set it on the shelf, and then, with a crash that shattered it in a thousand pieces.

The brownie was so shaken by his feat that he lay for a moment unable to comprehend what had happened. He soon saw that he was free, however, and in joy at his sudden deliverance was about to scamper off, but a great desire to be revenged upon his tormentor caused him to pause. The little mischief-maker stopped only long enough to assure himself that every word of the writing was blotted out, and then away he scampered to wherever it lay that the brownies go, and it is safe to presume that he nevermore nibbled at lumps

of cheese in funny wire cages, however tempting they might be.

Great was the consternation of the Professor when he entered his study next morning and surveyed the destruction of his work. At first he thought that some enemy had gained entrance to his study, and being a wise man, was able to put two and two together and understand all that had happened in the night. He pondered over the matter all that morning, and at last, when the dinner bell rang, he took up the ink leaves of his manuscript and threw them into the fire, musing after all.

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"You don't say so!" ejaculated the Candie.

"Yes, I do," retorted the Rabbit. "Now, if you had only been contented to stifle your little shine to the best of your ability and to make the best of things generally, you would have gotten a great deal more pleasure out of life."

"Well, I guess there is something in that," admitted the Candie.

"Of course there is. Why, man, that's the whole secret of happiness! And as for stifying your end, well, I'm compared to mine. You are in no danger of being eaten up—though, come to think of it, I have heard of Candies being eaten; but that was in Siberia or Greenland, or some such place. When your time comes you will simply melt away into nothing without

knowing it, and then, well, there will be lots of Candies after you, just as there will be Gingerbread Rabbits after me. But, as I said before, stifle your little shine, and make the best of things, and you will be happy."

The Candie was impressed with this, and after a little silence he brightened up and said: "Say, old fellow, I'm going to reform."

"I'm glad to hear it," replied the Rabbit. "Yes, I realize now," began the Candie, "but even as he spoke his end had overtaken him, and the rest of his words dwindled away in a feeble spatter, and the Rabbit was left alone in darkness."

"Well, well, poor little chap," mused the Rabbit, "he reform to late!"

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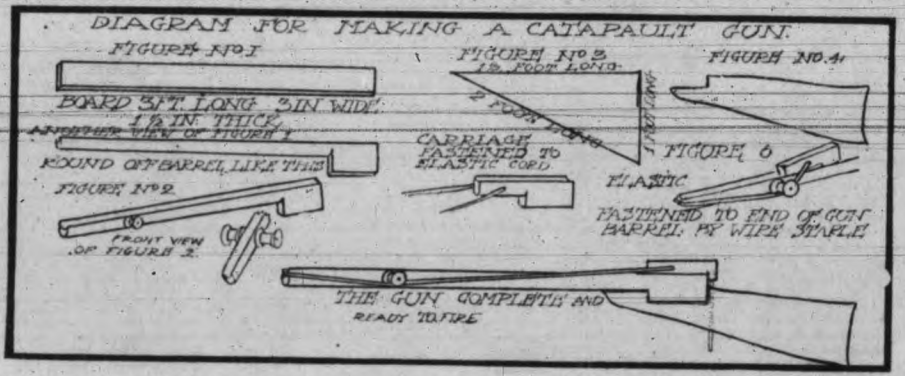
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HOW TO MAKE A CATAPULT GUN.



Perhaps a number of our readers who live in the country have guns that fire real powder and shot, but of course, guns of this kind are of no use to the 'city boys,' and to those of our country readers whose parents will not allow them to use firearms, so we will tell you how to make a gun which will shoot very well indeed, and with which you can make some very fair scores, whether you use it for sparrows or just for target shooting.

Take a piece of hard board about three feet long, three inches wide and one and a half inch thick. Commencing at one end of this, smooth one edge with your jack-knife until it is curved like the under side of a gun barrel to within four inches of the other end. Leave it square here. Now cut a groove half an inch deep the whole width of the upper surface, leaving a flat strip with the edge of a small piece of glass until

it is as smooth inside as you can get it this way. Now, take a piece of sandpaper and rub the inside of the groove until it is perfectly smooth, with no bumps or splinters whatever in it, as in figure 1.

Have a hole about the size of an ordinary lead pencil half way between the groove and the curved underside of the stick and one inch about the size of an ordinary pencil four inches long and smear it with glue. Now stick it through this hole, so that it extends an equal distance on each side. Take two empty spools and put one on each end of the piece of lead pencil, first pouring a little glue inside the spools. Now the barrel of your gun is complete, as in figure 2.

Take a triangular piece of wood one and one-half inches thick with its sides about two feet by one and one-half feet by one foot, as in figure 3, cut away the top of

this at the sharpest end for about two inches deep and four inches long. Now shape the one-foot long side with your knife until it is hollowed out like the butt of a gun. The shape of the sharp edges all around and the stock of your gun is complete, as in figure 4.

Now measure off four inches on the top of the front of the stock and then fasten it by three strong screws to the under part of the four-inch spare end of the barrel. Now drill a hole one-quarter of an inch in diameter through the stock from top to bottom just behind the barrel and as close to it as you can. Get a strong stick and smooth it perfectly—a cheap lead pencil will be just the thing. Fit it to the hole so that it will slide in and out easily. Three eighths of an inch in diameter is just the size for the hole so the top comes just below the top of the barrel, as in figure 5.

Get a strong piece of round elastic, about a quarter of an inch in diameter and three feet long. This you can buy at a dry goods store for about 15 cents. Take a block of wood three inches long and one inch square, and bore a hole a quarter of an inch in diameter through the center. Now shove the block with your knife until it is perfectly round, leaving a small square projection on each end, as shown in figure 6.

Pass your elastic cord through the hole and then fasten both ends of your gun securely to the end of your gun barrel by a strong staple, as shown in figure 6. Now your gun is complete. On each side of the elastic cord under the spools on the side of the gun, draw back the block, or carriage, as it is called, until the square projection on the rear end catches on the side of the hole in the barrel. Place a marble, marble, buckshot or bullet in the barrel, and the catapult gun is ready to use. When you have aimed at the object you want to hit, press upward on the lower end of the trigger. The top of the trigger will shove up the carriage until it is free, then it will fly forward and the gun is discharged.

The beauty of this gun is that you can shoot small round stone bullets, darts, arrows and many other things, and it is of use, and if you want to practice in the house you can shoot at a target, using little balls of putty as missiles.

According to The Bostoner, St. Nicholas is at home in Paris, as well as in Holland and America. In the Century for December, in an article illustrated by Boute de Monvel, she writes:

The Parisian Christmas has its studied effects, its refinements. Its splendors borrowed from all countries; for it makes the Christmas decorations—sing innuents and gaiety revived from the days of Louis XIV. They have also accented St. Nicholas, the American Santa Claus. He is in a show in the candy-shop windows, with a long beard and a pointed hood, sprinkled with frost and wearing a red cap. He is a little more introduced at the same time that he was, although we have not attained the luxury of wreaths and garlands that appear at the Christmas tree, brought from Northern regions and transplanted in France, or at least in the fashionable and official world, it is the centre of popular fetes given to school children at the Palais de l'Industrie, and the pretext for all sorts of so-called parties which have nothing in common with simple family reunions. The little folk, who used to be satisfied with a modest present slipped into their shoes, now expect a costly toy or some goodly Compostelian has crept into the Parisian Christmas as it has into everything else.

At a church social meeting the other evening an eloquent address was delivered by a gentleman from Edinburgh, who expatiated on the great advantages of such gatherings, winding up with, "My friends, they draw us closer to each other." In a little pause which followed, voice was heard in a back seat remarking, "Dye hear that, Mag?"

HE KNEW THE SEX.

"Timmons—'You remember that little book I wrote called 'How to Become More Beautiful'?' I thought it would go well, but only two copies have been sold in eight months."

"Timmons—'That's because you've understood business. Call them in from the bookstallers, and change the title to 'How to Become More Beautiful'?' and the women will make a regular bargain-counter rush for them."

The sunflower bears 4,000 seeds, the poppy 32,000, and the tobacco plant 70,000.

Novel silk and opera hats.

A pouch of black silk attached to the lining, is the latest fad in opera hats for women. It serves as a receptacle for gloves, which are folded and tucked away safely. A new wrinkle in silk hats consists of a beaverless brim, both sides of which are covered with merino or cashmere. The probability of the hat slipping is thus lessened, and danger marks on the brim are in consequence of this innovation conspicuous by their absence. The idea originated in 'dear old Lunnon,' and, therefore, there exists no doubt about its being adopted here.

MEN'S FOOTWEAR FIGURES.

A man who wears sizes five shoe requires size nine half hose; he who wears size five and a half shoes needs nine and a half hose; six and a half to seven calls for ten; seven and a half to eight goes with ten and a half; eight and a half to nine harmonizes with eleven, and nine and a half to ten shoes strike a fit with eleven and a half hose.

THE MAN AND HIS SNEEZE!

Once upon a time a man afflicted with annual attacks of hay fever was walking in the city with friends, who were saying, "This is about the time when my trouble should begin," he said, "A whisp of hay or the down of a peach would now start me and send me to the mountains for relief."

Just then a grass widow passed them, and the man sneezed most vigorously.

"You are, indeed, sensitive," said his friend.

"Moral—There are things that should be sneezed at."

OXFORD SHOES FOR WINTER.

The current autumn shows more low-cut shoes in evidence on fashionably attired men than ever before. The mode stands for this departure both for business and shabbiness use. Near mixtures in hand knit Scotch half hose are favored by the Vogue to be worn with oxfords. This comfort is afforded in foot wear.

NONSENSE VERSE





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In the Green Room

Summary of Events in the Theatrical and Musical Realm. Dec. 20.—Fredk. Ward in "The Mountebank." Dec. 21.—Fredk. Ward in "Julius Caesar."

The above is a list of the approaching attractions at the Victoria theatre extending into the summer months. It is subject to alteration, as it is obviously impossible to arrange dates so far ahead.

Theatre-goers will have their surfeit of shows next week, there being a performance for five nights out of the six.

Of Frederick Ward and Company, who appear at the Victoria theatre in "The Mountebank" on Monday night, in New Orleans exchange says as follows:

As far as could be judged from last night's performance, Mr. Ward appears to be supported this season by the best company he has ever brought to New Orleans.

MANICURING.

Directions for Keeping the Finger Nails in Good Condition, and What to Use.

When the nails are fragile a little wax and cream rubbed upon them will strengthen them. It is better to use almond oil or cold cream will be found beneficial.

There is a true story in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly which clears up a misunderstanding about sharks. The hero, a professional diver, has this to say in defence of the often maligned creature.

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THE DISCOVERY AND USE OF TOBACCO

ITS INTRODUCTION STRONGLY OPPOSED

Information Regarding "The Sovereign Herbe"—Adulteration of Totacco Said to Have Ceased.

The present is essentially a smoking age. Indeed, much more of the weed is consumed now than was ever the case before, and a book, entitled "The Sovereign Herbe: All About Tobacco," newly published by Mr. Frank Richards, deals with its discovery, history, use in various countries, statistics, and so on.

It would be difficult to point out where tobacco is not now in use. In our own country its use has increased enormously, especially during the past quarter of a century, but it seems that the citizens of the United States smoke more largely, and certainly more cheaply, than any other people.

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This week witnesses the appearance of the 16th great book in this unprecedented series, and the time is quite short before this colossal book distribution will come to an end.

THE TIMES.

when obtained, what can beat it? Unlike the meerschaum, one need not handle and smokes it gingerly in fear of breaking the fragile bowl.

CONCERNING CIGARS.

Whether the cigar or the pipe was the original form of "drinking" tobacco seems to be a vexed question. Cigars nowadays at all events vary very considerably in both price and quality.

WHEN PLANTS WANT WATER.

Many amateurs, to judge by the frequency with which one is asked the question, never appear able to ascertain when a plant requires water.

Burdock Blood Bitters.

condition and suffered a great deal from scrofulous sores. My husband bought a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters for him and gave it to him, and by the time he had finished the second bottle there was not a sore to be seen.

Advertisement for Burdock Blood Bitters, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing the product's benefits for various ailments.

RUSSIA'S RELATIONS WITH GREAT BRITAIN

A LITTLE PROPHECY BY HENRY NORMAN, M.P. Says Russia Will Give Evidence—She Harbors No Designs Against the British Empire.

There remains the last and greatest of Russia's foreign relations—England—what of this long-existent and traditional rivalry? Is not mutual enmity rooted in the hearts of both peoples? Do not their statesmen take this nightmare of predestined war to bed with them every night, and wake every morning to find widespread upon their pillows? Has not a library of books been written in both languages to show to demonstration that Britain and Muscovy must inevitably come to the dagger? In fact, are not England and Russia, by the eternal nature of things—like rival thunders from opposed poles, rushing toward the shock that splits the world?

Well, a few people do not think so, and I am one of them. Moreover, these few are growing in number every day, in spite of the fact that the last two or three books on the subject are violently anti-Russian. If our statesmen were like those of other countries, we should care little for the road to an understanding of Russia.

As ever, and Russia is equally disgusted without shilly-shally, invertebrate, hand-to-mouth conduct of our relations with her. Therefore she goes calmly ahead, doing what she pleases, taking what she wants, knowing perfectly well that when England alone desires or opposes anything, a few acid dispatches and a little calling of names in parliament will be the worst she has to fear.

When the time came for proposing Lord George's health, the customary speech was made, and then, before the eyes of the members for a sense of humor, one member went to the piano and struck up the "Longshoreman's Song," the refrain of which "For I ain't no sailor bold, And I never was on the sea," by the whole company.

Lord George laughed as heartily as anybody, but he was indignant enough to mention the matter afterwards at the Carlton, where a wag promptly applied to him the name of "Longshoreman George."

knows to a month or two when he will get his marching orders for Kabul—the base is generally closed in hand; in St. Petersburg the very few men who really influence the course of Russian affairs will not waste their scanty leisure in discussing the question with you—they sincerely regard you as quite an outsider, diplomatically speaking, if you do not care to be so.

"LONGSHOREMAN GEORGE." The announcement that Lord George Hamilton is to preside at a dinner of the Chelsea Club in London, the world's mecca for a London correspondent, of an incident which occurred at a similar entertainment in the same constituency shortly before the election.

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There are only three parts of the world where serious obstacles are thought to exist—China, Persia, and India. As regards Persia, Russia has virtually got what she wants—namely, Manchuria and her free railroads—the sea-ports, and the Persian Gulf, and the Persian Gulf, and the Persian Gulf.

There is a much more difficult problem, as her territory contains no natural resources, and here very delicate and determined diplomacy would be necessary. What Korea is between Russia and Japan, that Persia is between Russia and England. But I do not see that British interests under all conditions would necessarily extend to a Russian railway to the Persian Gulf, and it must be remembered that the alternative is a German railway thither and a German naval base.

Most people, however, believe that the Real Strain and Danger between the Russian and British Empires lie in India. The intention of Russia to invade India has been for generations an accepted commonplace, due probably in most of the world to the remark of Sir Henry Rawlinson's remark that "anyone who traces the movements of Russia toward India on the map of Asia cannot fail to be struck with the resemblance which these movements bear to the operations of an army opening parallels against a beleaguered fortress. This is very true, but it must be remembered, first, that some of these movements date back a considerable time, when the situation of Russia in world politics was very different from what it is to-day; and second, that in many of these movements commercial development was beyond question the chief, if not the sole, aim—an aim which, he added, results are abundantly justifying. This question of Russia's views with regard to India has been present to my mind in every conversation I have ever held with a Russian whose opinion was worth hearing, and after long consideration I have come to the conclusion that the invasion of India is not seriously contemplated by either Russian statesmen or Russian soldiers of high rank.

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Notice to Contractors. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Directors of the company held on November 22nd, 1901, an assessment of (1) one-fourth of one cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of said company, payable forthwith to the undersigned.

Re John Poole, Deceased. Pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," notice is hereby given that all creditors or claimants of the estate of John Poole, who died on the 21st day of April, 1901, and of whose personal estate and effects letters of administration were issued on the 15th day of December, 1901, granted to Henri Siebenbaum, of Victoria, British Columbia, an attorney for the said John Poole, respectively, and of the securities (if any) held by them respectively to the undersigned, who is the administrator of the estate of the said John Poole, shall have had notice, and for the assets or any part thereof, so administered and distributed, he will not be liable to any person of whose debts, claim or demand, he shall not then have had notice, and all persons indebted to the estate of the said deceased are required forthwith to pay the amount of their debts respectively to the said administrator.

Notice to Contractors. Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria for the transfer of a license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the premises known as the "delight Saloon," situate on the south-western corner of Yates and Government streets, in the City of Victoria.

Extension of Time for Receiving Tenders. The time for receiving tenders for the above bridge has been extended to Saturday, inclusive, the 25th January, 1902.

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Canadian Pacific Navigation Co. Ltd.

Time Table—Effective October 15th, 1901, ALASKA ROUTE. For Skagway direct, steamship "Amur" will leave Victoria Dec. 28th, and the following day from Vancouver.

NEW WESTMINSTER-STEVENSON ROUTE. Leave New Westminster Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 8 a.m. Leave Stevenson Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 7 a.m., calling at Fraser river landings between New Westminster and Chilliwack.

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VICTORIA & SYDNEY RAILWAY. Effective Oct. 26th. NORTH BOUND. Daily. Sat. & Sun. Victoria, leave 9:00 A.M. 9:00 P.M. Goldstream 9:28 3:28 Shawanigan Lake 10:29 4:29 Duncan 11:00 5:00 Chemalusa 11:52 5:50 Nanaimo 12:45 6:41 Wellington, arrive 1:00 6:50

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