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## RUSSIAN SOLDIERS NOW OCCUPY TABRIZ

### Troops Enter City After Bombarding Official Quarters—Russian Casualties Total Nearly 200—Persia Has Apologized to Great Britain.

Tabriz, Dec. 29.—The Russian occupation of this city is now complete and practically all the members of the constitutional party have disappeared. The banks and European merchants will resume business to-morrow after passing nine days in a state of siege. There have been no casualties among the resident foreign population, although many have suffered from a lack of provisions while they have been boxed up in their houses during the prolonged street fighting.

The Stars and Stripes flying over the United States consulate was cut down by a Russian shell during the fighting, but no further damage was done to the consulate.

No precise figures as to the casualties sustained by the Russians and Persians are available, but it is estimated that the Russian loss amounted to from 100 to 200 men.

The mortality among the native non-combatants has not been large and the reported atrocities by the troops on both sides are unfounded. The operations of the Persians were directed solely against the Russians. They showed no resentment whatever against any other foreigners.

The disturbance started during the night of December 20 by collision between a patrol of Russian troops and the Persian constitutionalists in the streets. Two Persians were shot in this affray and fighting throughout the city became general on the following morning. The principal engagements occurred in the neighborhood of the Russian consulate around the citadel known as the Ark and at the Russian camp at Baghah Shemal.

Troops Enter City.  
St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—Dispatches from Tabriz to-day say that after a two-days bombardment of the official quarters of that city, the Fifth Regiment of the rifle brigade effected their entrance into the town. Tranquility has been practically restored.

The Russian government does not contemplate the dispatch of any further troops to Persia. The brigade of sharpshooters, consisting of four regiments and comprising about 4,000 men, with four squadrons of Cossacks and a battery of artillery, are considered sufficient to maintain order in the city of Tabriz. The force of Russian troops at present encamped at Kasbin totals 4,000 men of all arms.

The attack on the Russians, which was recently made by the Persians at Rehsht is considered by the military authorities as of minor importance. The Russian military commanders have been ordered by headquarters to co-operate with the Persian authorities in the punishment of the disorderly elements responsible for the attacks on the Russian troops at various places.

Persia's Apology.  
London, Dec. 29.—The foreign office declares to-day without warrant the statement circulated in the United States that the British government had sent an ultimatum to Russia demanding the immediate cessation of the ravages of the Cossacks in Persia. The attitude of the British government has not changed since foreign secretary Sir Edward Grey spoke in the House of Commons on foreign affairs in November last and recognized the action of Russia in Northern Persia was justified from the Russian point of view. On that occasion he also testified to Russian loyalty to the Anglo-Russian agreement in regard to Persia. The foreign office is not in the least likely to take any step that will embarrass Russia at the present time.

The Persian government has apologized for the outrage against Consul Smart, whose safety is assured, and has taken measures to stave off a British punitive expedition.

Consul Smart is suffering from only a slight flesh wound in the thigh. In Calcutta the opinion is held that an expedition will be sent to occupy Shiraz.

A Teheran dispatch to the Times says that Russian and Russian legations are definitely supporting Mr. Mornard, the Belgian director of customs in Persia, for treasurer-general.

## SAWMILL SPOILS GREEN BOWLING

Vancouver, Dec. 29.—The application made by L. G. McPhillips, K. C., acting on behalf of J. W. McFarland, to restrain the British-Canadian Lumber Company from operating its mill on Coal Harbor to the annoyance of Mr. McFarland and other west end residents, was dismissed by Mr. Justice Murphy yesterday on the ground that as Mr. McFarland had been for several months in the Old Country he could not be subject to the annoyance complained of at this time, and further that counsel on the opposite side had no opportunity to cross-examine him. A. E. Hall opposed the application on behalf of the British-Canadian Lumber Company.

Mr. McPhillips produced several painted boards coated with soot and half-burned sawdust, and also a sealer filled with charred rubbish that had been taken out of the waterspouts. He read an affidavit made by Mr. McFarland stating that the soot and rubbish from the mill was blown over his place by the east wind, that it blocked up his waterspouts and sifted in through the doors and windows, soiling and destroying the curtains. It also fell over the grass on his lawn and spoiled his bowling green, since the bowls became so soiled with it that it got all over the hands and clothing. When he had flying pieces of a man to paint sawdust and bits of wood had stuck to the boards like flies to molasses and it was impossible to make a satisfactory job.

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### EXTENDING OPERATIONS.

#### Canadian Trust Secures Large Crockery and Glassware Business

Vancouver, Dec. 29.—Announcement was made here yesterday of the sale of the F. Buscombe & Company, Limited, the largest crockery and glassware house in the west, to Cassidy, Ltd., of Montreal. The sale was arranged by W. D. Birchell a few days ago. The transfer is effective January 1st. This means the passing of the last important independent crockery house into the hands of the Canadian crockery trust. Frederick Buscombe, senior member, steps out entirely, but George Buscombe, who also sold out his holdings, remains as general manager. The firm's name remains unchanged.

### BRITISH OFFICIAL DEAD.

London, Dec. 29.—Sir Francis Alexander Campbell, who had been assistant under-secretary of the foreign office since 1902, died yesterday. He was born on May 2, 1852, and was the son of the late Colonel Geo. Campbell of the Grenadier Guards. He was married to Dora Edith Hamersley.

## TWO MINISTERS AT DAGGERS DRAWN

### DOHERTY AND MONK DO NOT SPEAK NOW

Lively Altercation, in Which Personal Encounter is Narrowly Averted

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Commenting on the fact Hon. Mr. Doherty failed to put in an appearance at the banquet in honor of Hon. F. D. Monk here, Le Canada says:

"There has been a coolness between Mr. Monk and Mr. Doherty for over a week, and during that time they have not spoken to each other. The rupture between these two colleagues of Mr. Borden is the result of a lively altercation, which took place in the office of their other colleague, Mr. Hazen, at Ottawa recently."

"Mr. Monk was in Hon. Mr. Hazen's office," declares the article, "demanding the heads of the harbor commission of Montreal. Mr. Hazen refused to make any change, saying the board of trade and the other financial interests of the city want the three commissioners named by the Laurier government to continue their splendid work."

"Mr. Monk," it is said, persisted, and Mr. Hazen finally suggested that Mr. Doherty be asked to give an opinion on the question. "If you can convince him, we will give you the heads of the commissioners, and replace them by your men," said Mr. Hazen. Mr. Doherty was sent for, and he stood firmly by his stand that the commission should not be changed."

Le Canada declares there was a heated fight between the French and the Irish representatives of the metropolis in the Borden cabinet, and that the minister of marine had to intervene to prevent them pummeling each other.

"And since that incident," Le Canada concludes, "Mr. Doherty and Mr. Monk, who did not love each other very fondly before, have maintained the attitude of a pair of Chinese dogs."

## DEVELOPMENT OF COURTENAY BAY

Liberal Government Plans for Work at Transcontinental Terminals Adopted

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The plans of the Liberal government for the development of Courtenay Bay, the site of the National Transcontinental terminals at St. John, are to be carried out. After thorough investigation the new government have found that the plans which were prepared under the direction of Hon. Dr. Pugsley, were the best that could be devised, and that the tenders which were received from eight of the leading construction firms of England gave an ample amount of sound competition to warrant the government in taking action and awarding the contract to the lowest. This is the Norton-Griffiths Company, which put in a bid to do the work for \$7,700,000.

### BARRED FROM RUSSIA.

Salvation Army Not Permitted to Carry on Work in That Country.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—The council of ministers has decided not to allow the Salvation Army to carry on its work in Russia. General William Booth, commander-in-chief of the army, went to St. Petersburg in 1893 for permission to establish a branch in Russia. He was strongly opposed by the Holy Synod.

## INVESTIGATING STREET CAR WRECK

### CORONER'S INQUIRY OPENED AT TORONTO

Hearing Adjourned After Six Witnesses Had Given Their Evidence

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The investigation of the overturning of a King street car at the St. Lawrence street switch, the killing of two passengers and the injuring of a number of others, was begun before Coroner Graham yesterday afternoon. It took the form of an inquest on Mrs. Jessie Deacon, wife of Capt. Alfred Deacon, R.N.

Six of the two-score witnesses who have been subpoenaed were examined in the crowded court room. Several swore that the car in charge of Motor-man William J. Moore ran at a high rate of speed past the stopping place in front of the King street barn, struck the open switch at St. Lawrence street and was overturned.

Alexander McDonald, superintendent of all the cars running out of the King street barn, said men were distracted that the white post in front of the barn and west of the new Don bridge was a "positive stop"—that cars were to be stopped at intersections and that switches were to be approached with caution at a low rate of speed.

County Crown Attorney Richard Greer pointed out that in order to make the run of from three and a quarter to three and a half miles between the Scarborough beach "Y" and the King street barn in the specified 18 minutes and to stop at the 22 indicated stops, a motorman would have to drive his car at an average rate of fifteen and a half miles an hour.

The inquest was adjourned until Friday, January 5.

## TRYING TO END TURCO-ITALIAN WAR

### Austro-Hungarian Minister Hopes Efforts Will Prove Successful

Vienna, Dec. 29.—Count von Aehrenthal, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, received the Hungarian delegation yesterday and explained to the members of it the foreign situation. In referring to the war between Italy and Turkey, the foreign minister said that efforts were being made to stop the conflict which he hoped in due time would be successful. The Turkish government, he stated, was striving in the face of great difficulties to maintain order in her empire, and it was desirable that such efforts should continue until the conclusion of peace between Turkey and Italy.

Count von Aehrenthal added that he hoped the force and authority of Turkey would be maintained intact, which would constitute a fresh guarantee of peaceful relations between Turkey and the Balkan states.

### INVESTIGATING CHARGES.

Quebec, Que., Dec. 29.—The council is investigating a charge that \$10,000 was paid to City Engineer Forester to influence him in awarding a contract for the new forty-inch water main pipes. Forester denies the charge under oath, and alleged that the tenders were in conspiracy and raised the price of pipe \$5 a ton.

### DRINKS POISON.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Frederick Brooks Hill, a law clerk in the employ of Louis M. Singer, a barrister, committed suicide last night by taking carbolic acid. Deceased was an Englishman.

## MANITOBA IN GRIP OF COLD SNAP

Outdoor Work Suspended at Brandon—Forty-Two Below at Prince Albert

Brandon, Man., Dec. 29.—Western Manitoba is to-day in the grip of the coldest spell of the winter. Thirty below was recorded last night at the experimental farm and a northwest gale aggravates conditions. All outside work is discontinued.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—Bitter cold continues. With the thermometer around thirty below this forenoon. Prince Albert recorded 42 below last night. Such cold spells are rare before January.

### QUEBEC PAPER CHANGES HANDS

Quebec, Dec. 29.—La Libre Parole, which was a Nationalist organ under the management of Rene Leduc, of Quebec, east fame, has changed hands and has made its appearance as a straight Liberal paper. In the first issue since the change it is announced that the paper will be Independent-Liberal.

It is understood that the paper is controlled by Senator Chénette and that it will play a lively interest in the coming municipal fight.

### TARIFF REVISION.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—Revision of the iron and steel schedule will be the first thing on the tariff legislative programme of the House after Congress convenes next week. Representative Underwood, chairman of the committee, made it known to-day that the committee would postpone consideration of the wool schedule until every feature of the tariff board's report on the subject had been thoroughly studied.

## SUPPORT CAUSE OF DR. SINGH

### TORONTO BUSINESS MEN PROMISE ASSISTANCE

Further Efforts Will Be Made to Secure Change in Immigration Laws

Toronto, Dec. 29.—That the leading business men of Toronto, representative of almost every religious institution, are in sympathy with Dr. Sundar Singh, the Sikh, in his mission for better immigration laws for his people here and in India, was manifested to-day at a meeting of business men here. They will assist the doctor in all ways possible.

"The Sikhs coming to Canada must come by one direct steamer," stated Rev. John Wilkie, of Toronto, a returned missionary, "and this is impossible, which makes it very difficult for the Sikhs here to bring out their wives and families. I think the law should be remedied."

Dr. Singh will interview the government, asking that the clause be withdrawn from the law, which means the admission to Canada of the Sikhs' wives and children. Sikhs entering Canada must have \$200 in their possession, but the real sticking point is a direct voyage.

### SMALLPOX IN QUEBEC.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Notwithstanding the denial of Mayor Drouin that an epidemic of smallpox threatens Quebec, the provincial board of health yesterday declared that their information was reliable and that the statement given out Wednesday night that smallpox was prevalent in the provincial capital was correct. The local authorities were not taking the necessary steps to cope with the disease was correct.

The provincial officials are following up the statement by sending Chief Inspector Beaudry of Quebec to assist the local authorities to investigate the conditions.

## HAS NO ULTERIOR AIMS IN MONGOLIA

### Russian Commander Admits Russia Needs Buffer State in That Region

Tien Tain, Dec. 29.—It is asserted by members of the suite of the Amban (governor) of Mongolia that Russian complicity at Urga, capital of Mongolia, is responsible for the virtual domination of Manchuria by the Japanese. The charge is made in the same quarters that the Russian military consul at Urga has been pursuing the purpose of making a buffer state and preventing the Japanese from expanding beyond Mukden in Manchuria.

General Horvath, in command of the Russian troops at Harbin, has repeatedly denied that Russia has ulterior aims in Mongolia, but admits Russia needs a buffer state in that region in the same way as Afghanistan serves as a buffer state on the north-western frontier of India.

### SEEKING DISALLOWANCE.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The Minister of Justice has fixed January 4 for hearing the parties concerned in the application for disallowance of the act of the Alberta legislature taking over the deposit in connection with the Alberta & Great Waterways railway project.

## SUN YAT SEN ACCEPTS PRESIDENCY OF REPUBLIC

### Eighteen Provinces Represented at Convention— New President Says Policy Will Be to Secure Peace and Stable Government for China.

Shanghai, Dec. 29.—Immediately following the receipt of word from Nanking that he had been elected president of the republic of China, Dr. Sun Yat Sen handed the following statement to the Associated Press with the request that it be transmitted to his friends in the United States:

"I consider it my duty to accept the presidency. My policy will be to secure peace and a stable government by the promptest methods possible. My single aim is to insure the peace and contentment of the millions of my fellow-countrymen."

The news of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's election to the presidency by the delegates of the 18 provinces of China proper at their conference at Nanking, spread with extraordinary rapidity among the population. Dr. Sen made their way to the house in the French concession in which he has resided since his arrival here. When he appeared he was greeted with enthusiastic ovation.

The city shows evidences of great activity. Members of the provisional cabinet which was formed by Dr. Wu Tingfang on November 5, and the delegates who were sent by both the imperialists and revolutionaries to the peace conference, which is now recommended as having lapsed, pass frequently along the streets on their way to President Sen's headquarters.

It is believed that President Sen will immediately demand the withdrawal of the so-called imperial troops from their strategic position in order to avoid the possibility of conflicts with the rebels. As soon as this has been effected, the armistice now existing will be extended and the Manchurian troops will be ordered to lay down their arms and to enter the service of the republic. As soon as military arrangements have been completed negotiations will be opened on the subject of pensions to be offered to the former princes and Manchu governors.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has made preparations to leave for Canton. He is believed the first ministry will be strong, and may include some of Yuan Shi Kai's delegates, who accompanied Tang Shao Yi, the premier's representative, at the peace congress.

An imperial edict will not be accepted by the revolutionaries except in the most liberal form under which a republic can be established without delay, or unless it provides for the restoration of the provisional government, of which Dr. Sun Yat Sen has been elected president.

Reports that American bankers represented at Peking are willing to lend money to the imperialists are regarded here with much apprehension. If the Southern revolutionaries were once convinced that Americans were supporting the imperialists, either financially or diplomatically, the result, they say, would be disastrous to American trade and influence and endanger all Americans residing in the interior.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who has been elected by the delegates of the 18 provinces of China proper as the first president of the Chinese republic, is a native of Canton. He was educated at Canton where his father was in business and later studied medicine at Canton. Afterwards he engaged in practice there. He has been connected with the revolutionary movement for a considerable time and took a most radical point of view. He was one of the promoters of a plot to seize the city of Canton in 1895. The plans of the conspirators were discovered and several of them were put to death. Dr. Sun escaped and reached the British colony of Hongkong where he became a British subject. He was heard from next in England and the United States where he lived for a short time and delivered a series of lectures in order to convert the Chinese students to his revolutionary principles. While he was on a lecture tour in England in 1900, he was sentenced to the Chinese legation, where he was told that he was on Chinese territory and would be deported to Peking. This, however, was prevented, as he claimed British citizenship and was set free. At a later period he visited Japan and stirred up the Chinese there to revolutionary ideas. He also resided for some time at Singapore, where he was surrounded by a bodyguard of fellow-revolutionists. He visited New York in April of this year and spoke there against the Manchu dynasty.

Premier's Resignation Refused.  
Peking, Dec. 29.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai offered his resignation yesterday, but the offer was refused.

The incident occurred at a meeting in the palace to discuss a settlement of the revolution. The dowager empress, the premier and the princes were present and the debate waxed so warm that finally Yuan Shi Kai offered to resign.

Premier Yuan explained to the princes that he could continue the government and retain the country north of the Yangtze river only by having funds placed at his disposal. He asked the princes to empower him to obtain the money. He explained that \$10,000,000 would meet the payment for the soldiers for five months, after which the south would become disaffected, and the provinces would return to their allegiance.

But the princes were unmoved. They pleaded lack of money, although most of them are wealthy. None has given any substantial amount to aid the government, with the exception of Prince Ching, who has handed over more than \$100,000. The dowager empress wept, and Yuan Shi Kai showed signs of distress. Then he declared he could not desert her and the child Emperor, and decided to continue.

Yuan Shi Kai, it is stated, intends to make another attempt to obtain a loan of \$10,000,000 from the "four nations group," of which three of the countries signified their willingness to furnish a loan three weeks ago. The premier says he will not use the money for a campaign against, but will leave the republican provinces to consummate their own destruction, only defending the north bank of the Yangtze river. He insists that the rebels have small reserves, and that their troops already are engaged in plundering.

Attitude of United States.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—The United States will not recognize the new Chinese republic formally at this moment, nor until it becomes clearly apparent that the imperialists are no longer capable of maintaining themselves in power. But this attitude will

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## AFTER IMMIGRANT TRAFFIC. WILL PRACTICE IN QUEBEC.

New York, Dec. 23.—Application has been made by the Grand Trunk railway for permission to put its immigrant tickets on sale at Ellis Island.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Hon. William Pugsley, ex-minister of public works, will take the examination in law so as to be able to practice in Quebec, and will locate in Montreal.

## WILL ACQUIRE NEW RAILWAYS

### MACKENZIE & MANN PLAN BIG DEAL Report That \$80,000,000 Loan Will Be Floated in Old Country

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 29.—On the last authority it is announced that early in the new year the Mackenzie & Mann interests will take over the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, including the Hamilton street railway, the Brantford and Hamilton railway, the Hamilton and Beamsville company, the Hamilton and Dundas railway, and the Hamilton, Burlington and Oakville road.

An official announcement may be expected as soon as Sir William Mackenzie returns from the Old Country. It is said he and Vice-President Hanna, of the Canadian Northern have gone to float a loan of eighty million dollars.

Details of the amount that Mackenzie & Mann will pay for the Dominion Power and Transmission Company's stock are not available. In fact, the officials and directors of the local company to-day would neither deny nor affirm the story.

MUST PAY DAMAGES.  
Montreal, Que., Dec. 29.—Judge Bruneau adjudged \$200 damages against the Montreal Standard for printing an interview in which it was stated that Mrs. Dr. Cote was a believer in spiritualism and consequently an unbeliever. "She is a Roman Catholic," declared the judge, "and I am confident from the proof that she does not believe in spiritualism or anything of the kind, and in this province where the belief in the Roman Catholic faith is so strong, it must obviously be damaging for a paper to state that she was an infidel."

TRIES TO END LIFE.  
Vancouver, Dec. 29.—Sun Yuan, a Chinese canneryman, cut his throat with a knife last evening at the Steveston cannery, then fired three bullets from a rifle into his neck. Taken to a hospital he showed favorable progress and will probably recover.

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- BERTON'S BRANDY, per bottle, \$1.00
- GOLD LION COCKTAILS, per bottle, \$1.25
- NATIVE PORT, 35c, or 3 bottles for, \$1.00
- ROYAL CROWN PORT, per bottle, \$1.00
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### KANSAS WHEAT KING GAMBLES ON RAIN

If It Comes Between March 1 and May 1 "Jim" Fike Will Clear \$200,000

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 29.—A Kansas man has bet \$20,000 that rain will fall in Thomas county, Kansas, between March 1 and May 1 of next year. If the good rain comes, "Jim" Fike will clear up \$200,000 next summer. A year ago Fike bet \$50,000 that it would rain in his county between those dates and he lost. If rain had come on any one of the sixty days he would have cleared up more than \$500,000.

"Jim" Fike is the wheat king of Kansas. He has lived in Western Kansas many years, and in spite of the failures of rain to appear at just the proper time he sticks. Gambling on the weather has been the "Jim" Fike method of chasing the festive ducat for ten years. He made a "killing" in 1903, and is waiting patiently for another big year, and then he says he will quit gambling on rain. Since 1903 he has bet \$175,000 that it would rain at the proper time. He never lost entirely until last year, when the weather soaked up \$40,000. Each year he got his wager back, and three years he was able to show small winnings, but he has not "busted" the bank yet and wants to keep on trying until he does smash it good and hard.

Two years ago Fike sowed 13,000 acres of wheat and cleaned up \$20,000. A year ago he sowed 47,000 acres and lost \$40,000, the only complete loss he has ever sustained. This year he sowed 9,000, and if rain only comes during March and April, a single inch of rainfall in any one of sixty days, Fike will make a mint of money.

Fike doesn't do his weather gambling on a hit-or-miss proposition. He puts everything favorable in the weather. He ploughs well, uses his steam engine and gasoline engines that tear up the ground five inches deep, and harrows it at the same time, at the rate of 100 acres a day. Then he sows the best seed obtainable. In 1910 he sold his wheat at \$1.07 a bushel in Kansas City, when the usual price range was from 90 cents to \$1. Now a pound of his wheat that year was used for flour. It was bought by farmers who wanted first-class seed.

"It's all a gamble," he said the other day. "We have had five bad years in the last eight. In a bad year we get five to eight bushels an acre, and we just pull through. In a good year we can easily get thirty or more bushels of every acre. When the rain comes right it's like shooting fish in a barrel."

### QUEEN OF SMUGGLERS INDICTED.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 28.—Three indictments have been returned by the United States grand jury against alleged smugglers, one of them being Mrs. Ethel Hall, frequently referred to by federal immigration officials as the "Queen of the Smuggling Ring." The two other indictments were directed against Reynold Scott and Antoine Zella, the latter said to have been at one time governor of Lower California.

Scott was arrested with the reputed husband of Mrs. Hall on board a launch that was overtaken by government men off Monterey about a month ago. Twenty-three contraband Chinese were on board the boat at the time. Mrs. Hall was arrested in a hotel here. She is said to have lived at San Diego on frequent trips to Ensenada, Lower California, was closely watched by the immigration authorities.

### RUSSIA AND UNITED STATES.

Two New Treaties Will Probably Be Arranged.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—That two treaties with Russia will take the place of the Treaty of 1872, just abrogated by President Taft, is probable, in the personal views expressed by officials of the state department. One treaty would deal entirely with matters of trade and commerce and the operation of its favored nation clause, if one were embodied, would be confined to these subjects. The other treaty would relate purely to matters of citizenship and naturalization, which, of course, would involve some treatment of the Jewish citizen. The adoption of this course may be suggested by the Russian government.

The introduction in the Douma of the bill attacking the American export trade with Russia is not regarded with much concern in official circles here. Even if the measure should be adopted it would require the approval of the imperial council and of the Em-

peror himself to become law, and could not take effect before January 1, 1912, because of the continuance until that date of the present treaty with its favored nation clause.

Negotiations for a new treaty probably will not be undertaken seriously before September. Meanwhile the Russian general elections will have been held, as will the great American quadrennial political conventions. Relieved from all likelihood of political influence in either country, it is felt that negotiations then can be conducted in a calm and judicial manner.

### RUSSIAN PROTESTS PROVED FUTILE

Chinese Promised Reforms in Mongolia, but Failed to Take Action

Peking, Dec. 29.—The only action the Chinese government is able to take regarding Mongolia's independence, of which has been proclaimed, is the appointment of commissioners who have been ordered to proceed by way of the trans-Siberian railway to Urga, the chief city, to persuade the Mongolia authorities, if possible, to renew their allegiance to China. In view of the present crisis, however, it is probable that the commissioners will never leave Peking.

The dissatisfaction of the Mongolia people has been of long standing. The Russians say, because of Chinese incapacity and the annoyance. Furthermore, or governors, have always plundered the Mongols and enriched themselves, while at the same time carrying on an unjust administration. For several years the Chinese have been aggravating Russia, and have been treating her contemptuously since the Japanese war. China even began to organize modern troops and to take other military measures along the Russian frontier.

Russia has often protested against this, and the Chinese foreign board has promised reforms, but has not fulfilled its promises. Late in October the foreign board's written reply evaded Russia's demands.

The Russian legation has contended that the Chinese preparations necessitated the maintenance by Russia of large and extensive military forces on the Mongolian border. For the last month, since the departure of the Chinese Aban from Urga, the Russians say they have been subjected to various annoyances, including the interruption of the trans-Mongolian telegraph lines to Europe. Russian troops have been protecting lives and interests in Mongolia, but the Russian government does not desire the expense and the annoyance. Furthermore, outer Mongolia is adjacent to Russian territory and its interests are more closely related to Russia than to China, the latter being across the Gobi desert.

The attaches of Japan and Great Britain may be expected to watch events closely, but there is no cause for alarm until Russian troops cross the Gobi desert. The construction later of the Balkh-Kalgan railway might necessitate the employment of Russian troops for protection, as was the case along the trans-Siberian railway in Manchuria, but that is a consideration for the future. The present step is apparently only a diplomatic one in the Russian programme of expansion, which did not terminate with the treaty of Portsmouth.

Although the Russians declare their desire that Mongolia shall continue as a buffer state, the attitude of the Mongolian Princes who are established in Peking will decide. As they are not able to defend themselves, they probably will accept terms from Peking.

### SUSPECTED MURDER.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 29.—Local police believe they have discovered evidence that may uncover a murder committed in Denver. When a freight car containing a consignment of acid shipped by a Denver chemical company was opened here, the floor and contents of the car were found to be covered with blood. A .35-calibre revolver with one chamber discharged was found in the car beside a knitted cap with a bullet hole through it, and fifteen cents. The seals on the car were intact and local officers believe that the crime, if there was one, was committed after the car was loaded and before it was sealed. The car was shipped December 24 over the Denver & Rio Grande.

### CATTLE STARVING.

Dalhart, Texas, Dec. 29.—With sacks of cotton oil cake to their saddles, horsemen are riding over the ranges saving what cattle they can from starving by driving them to corrals. Reports from the range were that many cattle were being found dead owing to the severe storm which has raged for the past ten days.

Instead of hiding his light under a bushel nowadays, the average man mixes his little one candle flame for an arc light.

### MURDER AND SUICIDE IN MONTANA TOWN

Doctor Shoots Divorced Wife and Then Ends His Own Life

Livingstone, Mont., Dec. 28.—Creeping up behind his divorced wife, Mrs. Emily Button, prominent in musical circles in Billings and this city, as she walked along a crowded street, Dr. C. E. Button shot her four times, two of the bullets finding their mark. The woman staggered into a nearby telegraph office crying that she had been shot, and as she fell to the floor dying, her last words were: "I hope they get him; he's killed me."

Button, with a crowd at his heels, brandished his gun, threatening to shoot. Drinking, as he ran, he gulped down a quantity of poison, but as it evidently failed to work as quickly as he expected, he halted and placed the barrel of his automatic revolver to his head and committed suicide. A note in his pocket directed that his body be turned over to some medical college for dissection. The Buttons came to Billings four years ago from Chicago, where Mrs. Button had been connected with the music department of the University of Chicago. Button is believed to have been insane.

### POLICEMAN EXONERATED.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 29.—A coroner's jury exonerated Police Officer Charles E. Hewston, who shot and killed Frank Ryan, Saturday night last, believing Ryan to be a highwayman. After the customary finding as to the manner in which Ryan met death, the verdict read: "We find the said Hewston entirely free from any criminal intent and undoubtedly acted in the proper discharge of his duties."

### TRIBESMEN SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES

Routed by Spaniards Who Had 27 Killed and 150 Wounded

Madrid, Dec. 29.—Adriens, from Melilla, Morocco, say that the whole Spanish army advanced Wednesday and "repulsed and decimated" the Rif tribesmen. One Spanish general, named Ros was wounded. Special correspondents in their dispatches say that the Spanish casualties totalled 27 killed and 105 wounded. The Rifians lost 400.

The Franco-Spanish negotiations on the question of Morocco are not advancing so rapidly as had been expected. Spain is not willing to cede what France asks, and the situation between the two countries is becoming worse.

### INDIANS ON WARPATH.

Bar Way of Canadian Northern Railway Construction Ganga.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—A story bringing back memories of early Quebec days comes from Oka reservation. Some forty or fifty Indians, headed by Gabriel Kenna Tasse, who claims a chieftainship, but is not the real chief of the Oka tribe, barred the way of two gangs of Canadian Northern railway

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men who had planned to complete a gap of 400 yards across lands which Kenna Tasse and his men claim to own. The red men are armed with guns, pistols, clubs and weapons of all descriptions, and declare they will not see their "rights" trampled under foot by the paleface without putting up a struggle.

The railway gangs in the meantime are completing their work up to the gap, and when this is done they declare they will build across the unfinished section, Indians or no Indians.

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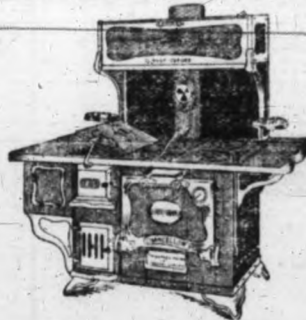
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TURKS AND ARABS

GATHER IN FORCE

Italians Await Attack—Ottoman Army Reported in Excellent Condition

Tripoli, Dec. 29.—According to information gathered by airmen attached to the Italian army and by scouting parties of cavalry, the Turks and Arabs are concentrating in great force to the south of Ain Sarad. The Italians sent out four small parties to make reconnaissances, but they did not proceed far away from the Italian camp, as on slaughters by the Turks were feared.

Join Ottoman Army. Marseilles, Dec. 29.—A special dispatch from a correspondent with the Ottoman army at Azizia, in the hinterland of Tripoli, says many volunteers are being enrolled daily. The army, he says, is in excellent condition and possesses ample arms and ammunition, most of which has been captured from the Italians.

The leading spirit in the Turkish and Arabian camp continues to be Al-Fethi-Bey, former Turkish military attaché in Paris, who was reported killed by the Italians.

PEACE BANQUET

PLANS CHANGED

Arbitration Treaties Will Not Be Officially Discussed at New York

New York, Dec. 29.—Although President Taft is to be the guest of honor and Andrew Carnegie is down on the programme as honorary president, the pending arbitration treaties with Great Britain and France, for which Mr. Taft has labored and which Mr. Carnegie has endorsed, are not officially to be brought before the citizens' peace banquet to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria Saturday night.

At least this is the plan of a majority of the executive committee, as now voiced by Millard B. Bloomer, the executive secretary. The committee had reached this decision, said Bloomer, after he had informed its members of a letter from Theodore Roosevelt declining, as an opponent of certain phases of the pending treaties, to attend the banquet.

Mr. Bloomer then laid the matter before the committee and it was decided, he said, that the sense of the body was that it was not the specific purpose of the dinner to endorse the agreements. With this revised understanding, Mr. Bloomer called on Col. Roosevelt again and again the colonel flatly declined to attend, but, as Mr. Bloomer said, this would not change the attitude of the promoters toward the scope of the gathering. In other words, it was for the purpose of promoting "world peace in general without reference to any treaty in particular."

Whether President Taft and Mr. Carnegie understood this when they accepted invitations to the banquet, Mr. Bloomer could not say. That issue, he explained, had not been raised at the time the invitations were sent out. At Mr. Carnegie's residence it was said he had accepted an invitation to the affair with the idea that the arbitration treaties were to be the paramount topics. Notwithstanding the change of the plans it was said later that Mr. Carnegie had no comment to make.

Mayor Gaynor has declined to serve on the reception committee at the dinner.

FLAG FOR BOY SCOUTS.

Presented by King George and Won by St. Catharines' Troop.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—General Sir R. Baden-Powell, organizer of the Boy Scout movement, is going to the United States for an official visit and will bring with him a British flag presented by King George to the St. Catharines' troop of Ontario. For having the most King's scouts. This troop had six scouts who have qualified in twenty-four different examinations which enables them to be King's scouts.

The Dominion secretary of the Boy Scouts will leave for New York about the middle of January to receive the flag from General Baden-Powell, and will bring it to Ottawa for the Dominion council to make the presentation to the St. Catharines' troop.

The first Winnipeg troop was one man short of getting the flag, they having five King's scouts.

General Baden-Powell will be unable to visit Canada at that occasion, but may do so next October.

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TEACHERS ADOPT

CODE OF ETHICS

Report Submitted at Washington Educational Association Convention

North Yakima, Wash., Dec. 29.—"That teachers at all times should be loyal to their profession," is the leading idea in a code of ethics adopted by the educational council of the Washington Educational Association convention here. The committee which prepared it was appointed last year. Following is the code:

"That teachers at all times remain loyal to the profession. (Many teachers attempt to conceal the fact that they are teachers, and make much of the fact that they succeed.)"

"That teachers at all times remain loyal to their co-workers in the profession."

"That teachers remain loyal to the school, institution or system, with which they may be connected as teachers."

"That the recommendations or testimonials of the work of any teacher be as honest as possible and that teachers refrain from asking for testimonials, but rather ask for the permission to use the names of the parties knowing their work."

"That the very best service of which a teacher is capable be given the community employing her or him."

"That the teacher, by conforming to the usual rules of right living, must be permitted to lead the natural life of any citizen, free from dictation."

"That it shall be beneath the dignity of any teacher and unprofessional for any teacher to underbid another, or attempt to secure a position which another holds or has a fair chance of securing or holding."

"That the daily transaction of business in the school room be as free from discussion outside the school room as the daily entries or balance sheets of a bank clerk. (Too often the teachers gossip with intimate friends at the boarding house, lady or with each other concerning transactions that should concern only the teacher herself, the child and the parent.)"

"That it is the duty of any teacher coming into a community to be willing to surrender or forget such of her pleasures as may conflict with the best influence of the community, even though she may be strongly of the opinion that such pleasures are harmless."

The first committee report submitted to the education council was that on the proposed introduction of normal training into the high schools. Although no action was taken, the sentiment of the council seemed to be that such a course would be beneficial, and a recommendation to the state board of education for the legislation needed will probably be made next year. Prof. E. J. Klemme, chairman of the committee, brought in the report. It was voted to appoint another committee, with Prof. Klemme as chairman, to continue the investigations until next year.

SEATTLE WITNESSES

TO BE EXAMINED

Members of Home Colony Will Appear Before Los Angeles Grand Jury

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 29.—Further evidence of the depth of the probe which the federal grand jury is making into the alleged dynamite conspiracy was given yesterday, when it called a woman, employed as a stenographer in the office of Olaf Tveitmog, of San Francisco, one of the union leaders of California. She passed considerable time in the inquisitorial chamber. When the stenographer was closeted with the grand jury, her employer ten days ago, waited to be called to testify. He and other labor leaders, including Anton Johannsen, Eric B. Morton and E. A. Clancy, of San Francisco, and L. W. Coyles and E. J. Hendricks, of Los Angeles, have been on hand whenever the grand jury convened, but have been forced to wait while seemingly other and less important witnesses have been called, examined and excused.

Only one labor unionist of prominence, J. E. Munsey, a leader of the Salt Lake City Iron workers, has so far appeared before the jurors. He was in the jury room only a few minutes last week and then was told he would be needed later.

It was announced yesterday that A. E. Yoell, of San Francisco, secretary of the Asiatic Exclusion League, of which Olaf Tveitmog is president, had arrived in answer to a subpoena. It was believed that the grand jurors were postponing the return of any possible indictments until they had questioned members of the Home Colony, the Seattle settlement where Schmidt and Caplan were said to have found a refuge. At least six residents of the settlement were said to have been subpoenaed and were thought to be on their way here.

Summoned to Los Angeles. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 29.—It was learned yesterday that George Eckman has been summoned to appear before the federal grand jury at Los Angeles. Eckman was a foreman in charge of the construction of the Federal building at Los Angeles at the time the dynamite was found near the Hall of Records. It was said that he was the man who first noticed the dynamite and told the police.

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DESPOUNDENT MAN'S DEED.

Farmer Hangs Himself After Murdering Whole Family. Benton, Ark., Dec. 29.—Because he was in "deep despair" and "believed he and his family would be better off in heaven," James Grant clubbed his wife, five children and a stepson to death and hanged himself. The bodies of the children were found in their beds, the skull of each being crushed. The body of Mrs. Grant was found in the hall half dressed. Evidently she

turned from a holiday celebration at a neighboring farm. He found a note signed by his father, which explained that "owing to deep despair and that I see nothing for me or my children, who, I believe, would be better off in heaven, I commit this act." Grant lived near here on a farm and was reputed to be well to do. He also conducted a mercantile business.

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THE PATH OF FANCY.

At the early morn of one autumn's loveliest days, When beauty on the leaf is born, And bounty boys its head in praise,

LINES ON A LOST LEADER.

Here lies our good leader, whose charm was so great, He could pacify "Tim" in an Irish debate; Who, born to resolve metaphysical kinks, To his party gave up what he spared from the links.

ALL SHE ASKED.

"The late Justice Harlan," said a Washington lawyer, "was an advocate of temperance in eating, in drinking, in the use of tobacco, in all things."

A HAMILTON BUCKEY.

U. S. Senator Kern defines "a drink" as two and a quarter inches. We know men who, if condemned to only one drink of two and a quarter inches, horizontal measurement, would take it out of a tub.

well. It is also fitting that Mr. Bryan Williams (don't forget the middle name) should be an officer in the Provincial government.

THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

The United States Congress, we are told, is now ready to "attack the tariff schedules." And the schedules, according to the evidence of experience, have marvellously fertile ways of resisting such attacks.

WHEN THEY WERE OUT OF OFFICE.

When they were out of office he and Mr. Monk could flout each other to their heart's content, and each just what he thought of persons and things.

OUR ESTEEMED MORNING CONTEMPORARY.

Our esteemed morning contemporary said this morning that one need not be surprised to wake up some morning and find the green covered with white.

THE SITUATION IN PERSIA AND MONGOLIA.

The situation in Persia and Mongolia indicates that the claws of the Russian bear, so artistically trimmed by the Japanese a few years ago, have grown again and are ready for business.

WAS WANDERING, CARELESS OF HIS COURSE.

Was wandering, careless of his course, Deep drinking draughts of keen delight, Deep drinking from its swelling source.

ABOVE WHO CAN NAME THAT MYSTIC TRAIL.

Above who can name that mystic trail, That visioned road the post trod? 'Tis fancy's pathway through the vale That leads to other worlds and God.

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CITY COUNCIL TO-NIGHT.

Esquimalt Waterworks Statement Will be Subject of Reply—Some Peculiar Figures.

The last meeting of the year 1911, which has been a stormy one in city council proceedings, will be held to-night, the piece de resistance being the building by-law, which should go through during the life of the present council. A committee has been sitting to get the statute into shape, and the result of their labors will be the measure will not provoke undue discussion, bulky and thoroughgoing as it is.

THE COUNCIL WILL RECEIVE A REPORT FROM WATER COMMISSIONER RAYMUR ON THE TWO ADVERTISEMENTS OF THE ESQUIMALT WATERWORKS COMPANY, WHICH HAVE APPEARED IN THE PRESS DURING THE PRESENT WEEK.

The council will receive a report from Water Commissioner Raymur on the two advertisements of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, which have appeared in the press during the present week, to the former of which reference has already been made. The second advertisement sets down the annual cost to the city of the Elk Lake waterworks at \$98,550 a year, though the commissioner finds some difficulty in analyzing the figures. Apart from the interest and sinking fund, amounting last year to \$73,137.50, the cost of the works are \$61,500 this year, which charges, with stopping of the pumping station at North Dairy Farm, would require for the greater part to be met even if Goldstream water was coming into the city, and therefore objection is taken that the figures of savings given in the published statement could not be maintained, as the Elk Lake waterworks would have to be continued, and paid for as at present. The statement says that the city is receiving three million gallons and no more from Elk Lake, whereas 3,750,000 gallons have passed through the pumping station daily, and 750,000 gallons from other services, or four and a half million gallons delivered in the city, although this is beyond the natural supply of the lakes which form the present municipal system. The time must inevitably come when the two lakes will be exhausted, and for this purpose the Sooke scheme is preparing.

**New Year Gifts**

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**LOCAL NEWS**

**"Nag" composition.** Waterproof and fire proof. See or phone Newton & Greer Co., 1326 Wharf street.

**Appointment of Auditor.** At the meeting of the city council this evening a formal resolution will be submitted appointing John L. Grimston auditor of the school board accounts for the present year.

**Hanna & Thomson, Pandora Ave.**—Leading funeral furnishing house. Connections, Vancouver, New Westminster and Winnipeg.

**Tenders Called.**—The provincial department of public works is calling for tenders for the erection of a freight shed on the government wharf at Prince Rupert. The tenders have to be in by noon on Thursday, January 11.

**S. P. C. A.**—Cases of cruelty, phone Inspector Russell, No. 1921.

**New Road Homologated.**—By a by-law finally passed a week ago the council of North Cowichan District has created a thirty-three foot road from Adelaide street, Crofton townsite, southeasterly through section 19, range 1, Complan district, for a distance of 317 yards until it strikes the Michel J. Smith road.

**McClary's famous stoves and ranges.** Clarke & Pearson, 1213 Wharf, near Johnson.

**Lands Surveyed.**—This week's issue of the B. C. Gazette gives notice that lot 119, in the Alberni district, which the Barley Sound Cedar Co., Ltd., has applied to lease, has been surveyed, and that parties considering their rights adversely affected by the survey must furnish a statement of their contention to the minister of lands within sixty days from date.

**Four Per Cent.**—You can deposit your money at 4 per cent interest with The B. C. Perishable Loan Company and be able to withdraw the total amount or any portion thereof without notice. Cheques are supplied to each depositor. Paid-up capital over \$1,000,000, assets over \$3,000,000, Branch office, 1219 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

**Sealing Company Meeting.**—A well attended meeting of the Victoria Sealing Company was held yesterday afternoon at the company's office, Point Ellice Bridge. A Sealrock was in the chair. The principal business before the directors was the election of directors for the coming year, as follows: Captain Wm. Grant, Jos. Boscowitz, S. Leiser, A. Seabrook, Hon. T. W. Paterson, and Capt. S. Balcorn.

**Good Opportunity.**—A high class man to solicit business in Victoria and district for one of the world's largest Life Insurance Companies. Give references, age and qualifications. Address, M. Risk, 215 Metropolitan Building, Vancouver.

**Canadian Northern Plans.**—The Canadian Northern Pacific has filed a number of plans of sections of its line with the minister of railways and has received from him certificates of approval of the works in progress. These include an overhead bridge on the Burnside road five miles from Victoria, a diversion of the line from Victoria to Atkins road, diversion of the Sooke road near Parson's bridge, level crossings of the Sooke road, West Sooke road, Happy Valley road, Colwood road and Atkins road at various points.

**Cinderella dance.**—At Alexandra Club, Dec. 29, in aid of the children's ward at the Royal Jubilee hospital. Children, accompanied by parents and guardians, 4 to 8 p. m., 50 cents each; adults, 9 to 2 a. m., admission, \$1.50.

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**Hunt Club Run.**—The Victoria Hunt Club's regular run will start from the Willows hotel to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. On Monday afternoon another run will be held for the children particularly.

**To Entertain Boys.**—The board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will entertain the Australian boys at tea at the institution on Sunday evening at six o'clock. This will take the place of the regular Strangers' Fellowship tea.

**Skates Ground.**—Skates hollow-ground. J. Waites, 644 Fort street, Phone 446.

**North Ward School Annex.**—The North Ward school annex will be completed in contract time that is to say next Tuesday, and similar provision will be made on the trustees by City Superintendent Paul for immediate relief to the overcrowding at the Boys' and Girls' Central schools.

**Oak Bay Elections.**—The nomination of the municipal council and three members of the school board for the municipality of Oak Bay will take place at the schoolhouse on Monday week, and the election at the same place on the following Saturday. The polls will be open from nine till seven o'clock.

**"Tom and Jerry."** at the Bismarck.

**Plays With Westminster.**—McLean, the big ice hockey player who came to Victoria with Tommy Dunderdale and was slated for a position as spare man on the Victoria team, will play point in the first game here on Tuesday evening.

**For Sale.**—Berried holly trees. W. J. Savory, Broad Street.

**New Trades Council.**—President J. C. Waiters, of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council, has returned from Prince Rupert, where he went to organize the civic employees, and the result of his visit is the formation of a new Trades and Labor Council in the northern terminus, with five component unions for a start. The unionists in the northern city are showing great enthusiasm in this work.

**High School Staff.**—A special meeting of the school board has been called this afternoon to receive the resignation of J. Spouse as a member of the teaching staff of the High school on his appointment to a position on the Normal school staff at Vancouver, and to appoint a successor. Two proposed appointments have also to be made before the commencement of term.

**Express or Truck.**—Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it. See us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or inefficiency on the part of our help. Pacific Transfer Company, phone 249, 59 Fort St.

**Legislature Staff.**—The sergeant-at-arms of the legislature, Charles J. Cullin, last evening completed the election of his staff for the season, which is practically the same as it was last session under W. J. Sanders. George Penketh will be the deputy sergeant-at-arms and the door-keepers and messengers will be R. Eccles, J. W. Lorimer, H. Monteith, M. W. Oliver, T. Tarett and George Whitfield. The pages will be chosen in a day or two.

**Burning Chimney.**—A sudden alarm of fire, due from a burning chimney in Chinatown last night, threw the population of Cormorant street into a turmoil. The fire occurred at the premises of Fook Lee, 556 Cormorant street, and was limited to the chimney window for the purpose of gaining an entrance but were delayed because the Celestials in the house thought the ladder was placed for their preservation and escape from the building, and immediately swarmed over and down to the street. While waiting for the ladder the inmates of the rooms threw through the window into the street all their belongings. The damage to the building was limited to the burning of the spot in the chimney, and will probably result in a prosecution in the police court. When the brigade released the premises, amid much chattering, the Chinese marched upstairs with their bedding and other household belongings.

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**WEEK OF PRAYER.**

**Programme Completed for Special Ministerial Services Beginning on Monday Next.**

The following is the arrangement for the week of prayer for January 1 to 6, 1912, adopted by the Ministerial Association of Victoria, B. C.:

January 1, Monday.—In St. Andrew's church at 11 a. m. Subject: "Blessing in general for 1912, and in particular for Canada and our home city." Rev. Leslie Clay to preside. Rev. T. E. Holting to speak.

January 2, Tuesday.—Meeting in the assembly hall, Y. M. C. A., at 8 p. m. Subject: "The church catholic and all its agencies." Rev. T. W. Gladstone to preside. Rev. J. B. Warnicker to speak.

January 3, Wednesday.—Meeting in assembly hall of Y. M. C. A., at 8 p. m. Subject: "National Righteousness, Purity, Peace, Temperance, the observance of the Lord's Day." Rev. T. E. Holting to preside. Rev. Dr. Campbell to speak. A resolution regarding the observance of the Lord's Day will be submitted to the meeting.

January 4, Thursday.—Meeting in assembly hall of Y. M. C. A., at 8 p. m. Subject: "Home and Foreign Missions." Rev. H. M. Carson to preside. Rev. A. Henderson to speak. Also meeting in Methodist church, Victoria West. Rev. J. A. Wood to preside. Rev. Jos. McCoy to speak, and meeting in Knox church, Stanley avenue. Rev. W. Stevenson to preside; Rev. Dr. McRae to speak.

January 5, Friday.—Meeting in assembly hall of Y. M. C. A., at 8 p. m. Subject: "The Young Day and Sunday Schools, Y. M. C. A.'s, Y. W. C. A.'s, Purity of Home Life," etc. Rev. W. C. Drabb to preside. Rev. R. A. MacConnell to speak.

A collection will be taken at the Monday meeting only, to defray the cost of these meetings and the work of the Ministerial Association.

**THE OLD TOWN.**

**Last Night's Performance Overflowed With Clean, Wholesome Humor.**

A feast of humor fell to the lot of those who attended Charles Dillingham's production of "The Old Town," in which Dave Montgomery and Fred Stone, two of the cleverest comedians in the country, appeared at the Victoria theatre last evening.

It is not too much to say that it was one continuous laugh from start to finish. Fred Stone, as Henry Clay Baxter, a credited country boy, was particularly good, not only in his delineation of the character, but in the many little stunts which he worked into his performance. He possesses rare athletic ability and his tight-rope walking, juggling and feats with the cowboy's lariat are seldom surpassed on the vaudeville stage or in real life. Above all, however, he is a humorist and his every movement is productive of a laugh. Montgomery, also, was capital.

Pretty scenic effects, new comic songs and good all-round acting combined to make the performance one of the most enjoyable of the season. Swedish air of tender years, was much appreciated by the audience for her naive and original rendition of the love-sick maid. Her dancing was also very good.

**Victoria Order of Nurses.**—The regular monthly meeting of the local committee of the Victorian Order of Nurses will be held in the Y. M. C. A. building, Blachford street, on Tuesday, January 2, at 2.30 p. m. A full attendance is requested.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY.**

**How Various Institutions Will Observe Arrival of 1912.**

New Year's day comes as something in the nature of a Christmas shadow—a holiday like its predecessor, but not stamped with all the festive attributes which have now come to be the acknowledged features of Christmas. Most of the institutions will utilize the occasion to wind up the week of festivities and feasting.

The provincial will finish up the annual supply of tobacco, and will once more have a day of freedom and chatty intercourse with each other; but an entertainment will not follow the big dinner, neither will there be the added grace of the much coveted oranges and candies which marked the last holiday.

The Children's Aid, however, perhaps reserved their festivities better than any of the other organizations, for here the youngsters are to enjoy the most important treat of the whole Christmas season—the Christmas tree, with its shower of sweets and toys and useful things being the attraction of the day. There will be a big feast for all of them about 12 o'clock, and about 2 o'clock the committee, who will attend in full force, will arrive to witness the distribution of the presents.

The Y. W. C. A. are not making any other preparations than the big dinner for girls who are strangers in the city, which will be served in the middle of the day, and to which all homeless young women are invited. The house still looks very gay with the Christmas decorations, which will be left up until after the New Year. The New Year reception will take place Wednesday evening in the ballroom of the Alexandra Club, and will be quite a big affair for the girls.

The Strangers' Rest do not intend giving any special menu on New Year's day, but it is probably some entertainment will be arranged for the evening.

The Ladies' Auxiliary and the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. will receive with the dormitory boys of the institution on Monday afternoon from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. There will also be on New Year's day an exhibition of gymnastics work by the gymnasium boys.

**WEATHER BULLETIN.**

**Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.**

Victoria, Dec. 29—5 a. m.—The pressure is moderately low over British Columbia, and a high area of low pressure is developing in Western Oregon; heavy rain has fallen on the Coast and snow on the Lower Mainland and on the American plateau land. The high area from the Yukon, now central over the prairie provinces, where the intense cold wave reached last night 42 below zero at Prince Albert, is now extending its limits to Tennessee and the Gulf states, where severe cold weather may be expected.

**Forecasts.**

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday.—Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly winds, unsettled and cold, with snow.

**Reports at 5 a. m.**

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.85; temperature, 35; minimum, 21; wind, 19 miles E; rain, .48; weather, rain.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.82; temperature, 34; minimum, 25; wind, 4 miles E; snow, .36; weather, snow.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 4; minimum, 2; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.90; temperature, 49; minimum, 46; wind, 6 miles S; rain, .18; weather, cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 16; minimum, 12; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 22 below; minimum, 26 below; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.78; temperature, 30 below; minimum, 22 below; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, cloudy.

**Victoria Daily Weather.**

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Thursday:

**Temperatures.**

Highest ..... 40  
Lowest ..... 38  
Average ..... 39

Rain, .02 inch, 6 minutes.  
Bright sunshine, 6 minutes.  
General state of weather, showery.

**SINGLE TAX MOVEMENT.**

**Growth of This Plan of Taxation on Land Alone Throughout Victoria Peninsula.**

The decision of the municipality of Saanich to put a referendum motion to the people at the forthcoming election in favor of the abolition of the tax on improvements, and thus make common cause with the advocates of growth of the idea of raising revenue, the single tax plan of raising revenue, makes another advance in the general movement of the idea of which Oak Bay is the pioneer that this is the best form of taxation. The principles which Henry George advocated, and which his son advocated in this city two months ago, have made considerable headway all over the province, and on the lower mainland and in the interior has not been without effect.

The tendency, of course, is to lead to an advance in the assessment, but this is inevitable with the astounding manner in which values have jumped in recent years, and while naturally there is great complaint about high assessment, the values put on the property by the civic officials do not, as a rule, approximate the prices asked by the owners in the course of real estate dealings.

Side by side with the assimilation to a common system of assessment on the peninsula, some arrangement should be made to deal with local improvements on a regular basis common to all, but the difficulty which beset the city in dealing with this matter has not worried the outside authorities, who could start out with a clean slate and charge the whole cost of local improvements up to the owners benefited.

Owing to the circumstances of the city it was necessary that the council should discriminate between the different classes of property, and that they should pay a larger contribution towards the cost of the works in the centre of the city than on the outside districts, and hence the present system of differential contributions has sprung up. With the introduction of this system of carrying through paving, boulevarding and sidewalk im-

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provement, many legal questions have arisen, and the city solicitor's department is overwhelmed with work, technical questions cropping up at every turn.

**BOUND'S EXTENDED.**

**Cities of Kamloops and Cumberland Have Territory Added to Them.**

By proclamation of the Lieutenant-governor in the current issue of the B. C. Gazette the city limits of Kamloops and of Cumberland are extended, in the former case from November 25 and in the other from January 1 next.

The city of Kamloops is enlarged by the addition of all of lots 22, 23 and 24 not already in the limits, to the extent of thirty-five and one-third acres. This territory is largely built on now and includes what is known as Beckman's Addition.

To the city of Cumberland has been added block 1, lot 1, and block II, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, being a subdivision of lot twenty-one, Nelson District.

**BAND CONCERT.**

**Fifth Regiment Musicians Will Occupy Theatre on Sunday Evening.**

The band of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., will give a concert in the Victoria theatre on Sunday evening under the leadership of Bandmaster Rogers. This will be the last of the season's concerts and will be equal in merit to the many fine musical organizations that have given.

Among the selections which the band will render will be, by request, some of the choicest gems from "Faust" and "Madame Sherry." The programme in full will appear in the Times to-morrow. There will no doubt be a crowded house on Sunday evening, and there should be a correspondingly large contribution to the funds of the band.

**CHILDREN'S TREAT.**

**Little Ones of Grace Lutheran Church Enjoy Themselves.**

A large gathering enjoyed a most delightful evening at the children's treat of Grace Lutheran church last night. About eighty-five children and as many adults spent the evening in the highest of spirits in the new social rooms of the church. After a short programme by the children and several of the older ones, Santa Claus appeared upon the scene with his bags of good things for the children. After tantalizing the children for a while by scattering a few nuts and oranges on the floor, old Santa, who was a most good-natured fellow all dressed in red and white, brought forth pack after pack of fruit, nuts and candy, enough and to spare for both adults and the children, and before bidding the joyous and boisterous little ones a final good-by, he distributed a lot of toys among them.

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# NEWS OF SPORT

## WARD JUNIORS TO PLAY IN NANAIMO

### On Sunday Afternoon Celtics and Local Soccer Team Will Meet Up Island

Nanaimo, Dec. 28.—For the first time in years an outside junior football team will be seen on local grounds. On Sunday afternoon next the North Wards of Victoria, champions of that city, and one of the best junior teams on the coast, will meet the Celtics of this city in an exhibition game that should furnish some interesting sport.

The game will be played on the Cricket grounds commencing at 2.30 sharp the teams lining up as follows: Celtics—Goal, Robinson; backs, A. Menzie and J. Gordon; halves, P. Flynn, T. Syer, G. Bowen; forwards, Green, T. Southern, F. Watson (Capt.) W. Southern, J. Wardill; reserves, Kilpatrick, McKane, J. Adams. North Wards—Goal, Humber; backs, Menzie and R. Stewart; halves, R. Wobely, J. Williams, P. Holt; forwards, McMillan, Dinsdale, Baker, Dunnean and G. Wobely.

## NEW PARK FOR BEAVERS.

### Bob Brown Practically Closed Deal for New Grounds to Be Ready in 1913.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—Before leaving for the South Wednesday afternoon President Bob Brown, of the Vancouver Baseball club, practically closed the deal for new grounds on the south side of False Creek between Main and Granville streets, and he expects to start work on the new park next summer. "While in the East recently I looked over a number of baseball parks," declared the local magnate, "and got a good idea of what we want out here. I expect to start work on the new grounds about the middle of next summer and will open up in the spring of 1913. The stand which I will erect will accommodate between 8,000 and 10,000 people, with additional accommodation for a couple of thousand in the bleachers. When the campaign opens up in 1913 we will be able to boast one of the finest baseball plants in this part of the country."

## GRASS HOCKEY MONDAY.

### S. Winsby's Picked Team Will Clash With Victoria League Squad.

A grass hockey team got together by S. J. Winsby will play an exhibition game against the Victoria league team on New Year's morning at the Albion cricket grounds, Beacon Hill, commencing at 10.30.

Winsby's team, which is composed of some of the old players, both of the Garrison and Victoria teams, is as follows: Goal, Bremley; backs, Pearson and Sullivan; halves, Jones, McArthur and Sisman; forwards, R. White, R. McInnes, Schwengers, S. Winsby and T. Winsby. The Victoria team will be chosen from the following: McKenzie, Craddock, Mason, Lord, Arnold, Blandy, Bateman, Ford, Austin, Collison, Arnold, Hill, Stevens and Ford.

Both teams are confident of history and an exciting struggle is looked for.

## KAUFMAN KNOCKED OUT.

Al Paiser, a New York heavyweight, knocked out Al Kaufman, of California, in the fifth round of a scheduled ten-round bout at the National Sporting club, New York, last night with a right uppercut to the jaw.

## ARCADE BOWLING ALLEY.

In the Pemberton Building Basement BOWLING AND POOL. Open from 10 a. m. to 12 p. m.

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## HOCKEY CLUB SQUABBLE.

### May be Split Between Ottawa Section and Main Body.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—It looks as if there would be a serious split between the Ottawa section of the inter-provincial and the main body. The latter wrote the local clubs advising them to play a single series and stipulating that their schedule must be wound up before February 20th, but the clubs of the local group decided to ignore the instructions and arranged for a double series ending March 2. They may then be too late to play off against the winners of the central and St. Lawrence sections for the championship. The local section, however, is prepared to manage its own affairs and will break away should further trouble arise. The New Edinburghs are opposed to the double schedule on the contention that a break with the main body would prove disastrous for the Ottawa club.

## SOCCER ONLY SPORT

### ON BOARDS TO-MORROW

#### Wards and Garrison Both Playing—Results May End Senior Race

First Division. (North Ward vs. J. R. A. at North Ward park, referee W. Miller. Garrison vs. S. O. E. at Work Point, referee W. Wilson. Second Division. Garrison vs. Victoria West at Beacon Hill, referee W. Slater. A. O. F. vs. North Ward at Beacon Hill park, referee O. Hartley. To-morrow's sporting fixtures include practically nothing but amateur soccer games, of which there are four, two senior and two second division. Both the Garrison and the Wards, leaders in the first division, are playing and to-morrow's game may end the race for the championship. It is the soldiers win and the Wards lose the former have the Alderman Ockell trophy in their grasp.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Victoria and District Soccer association last evening it was decided that none of the members of the Oak Bay Intermediate team, which has disbanded, could play second division again this season. They could play senior, however, provided they were good enough to get a place.

The game, which should have been played between the Garrison and James Bay second division teams last Saturday, was postponed until some later date as it was learned that a misunderstanding had arisen, which accounted for the fact that the players, with the exception of one or two, did not turn out.

## PLANS TO AVOID SALARY BOOSTING

### Con. Jones Comes to Amicable Agreement With Eastern Lacrosse Clubs

Toronto, Dec. 29.—It is stated in Inter-lacrosse circles that the conference between Con Jones and the Tecumseh and Toronto clubs had resulted in most satisfactory to all concerned.

Jones, it is said, was asked to name the players he most wanted and the locals allowed or disallowed each, as the case might be. As a result, an amicable settlement was reached, and there is little likelihood of any bidding against one another and consequent boosting of salaries.

It is rumored that President Jimmie Murphy, of the N. L. U., may go to the coast to manage a Spaulding store there and if he does will look after a lacrosse team in the British Columbia league. Arrangements were gone into yesterday for a trip east of Jones' champion Vancouverians.

Many a man does not realize that he might have made good as a fiction writer if he leaves some of his love letters read in court.

## GREAT VICTORY FOR VICTORIANS

### BEAT CALIFORNIANS IN A FINE STRUGGLE

#### Fine Exhibition of Game at Oak Bay Yesterday—Johnson's Sensational Dash

Victoria won a great victory from California yesterday in the second of the three matches for the Pacific Coast championship by a score of 6 points to 3, a try and a goal from a free kick to a try. It was a fighting, dashing game all the time and more open than that of Monday. As far as the actual play was concerned neither team had any great advantage.

Victoria's superiority in the scrums was not noticeable as in the first game and, in fact, the Berkeley halves got the ball out more often than did the locals, but in dribbling and dodging up the visitors were again completely outclassed. California's three-quarters did a lot of fumbling and were slow in getting the ball away. This lost them several chances, particularly towards the close, of getting across the line. The local three-quarters, on the other hand, were much improved by the substitution of Ogden and made some nice runs. The tackling of the homesters was one of the features of the game; so quick and sure was it that California rarely got anything like a real passing rally started.

The visitors scored first, getting the ball from the line-out at Victoria's twenty-five and starting it along the back alley, crossed the field and crossed kick to Campbell and the latter went over, when Nason, who was not playing his position, missed his tackle. The kick was at a difficult angle and Captain Stroud failed to convert, although he made a splendid attempt. Victoria evened up not long afterwards when Fullback Johnson secured the ball after an attempt by California to find touch and went down the right wing for the most spectacular run of the game. He was tackled at California's twenty-five and passed to Captain Billy Newcombe, who planted the ball down behind without any opposition. Ronald Gillespie's kick was beautifully directed, but missed the posts by a few inches.

The winning three points were made towards the close of the half when the locals were awarded a free kick owing to a gross infringement of the offside rule on the part of California. The distance was not more than thirty yards and was with the localists' hands. Gillespie's kick was difficult in lifting the ball over the bar. There was no score in the second half.

## The Game.

Despite the fact that Victorians had the wind with them the game opened with the play in the local's territory and was some minutes before they were able to relieve the pressure which bore on them. Several kicks back and forth left the situation unchanged until Johnson found touch. Then, with strenuous work in the line-outs and scrums, the homesters hacked and pushed their way to centre. They were unable to take the play into California's territory, however. The visitors were themselves using the forward play and for a time with great effect. Ogden, who had replaced Vincent on the three-quarter line, looked up like a giant at this stage of the game, his nice kicking to touch on several occasions extricating Victoria from tight corners. Frank Nason was playing a fierce and hard working game and at one time, when things were looking bad, he bored his way through the Berkeley forwards for a clear gain of twenty yards. As stated already the play which led up to the first try by California started from a line-out. It looked as if the homesters were going to attempt a three-quarter passing rally but the second man to handle the ball changed his mind and crossed-kicked perfectly to Campbell, who went over and scored despite the efforts of Tommy Murphy, who tackled him across the line up. If Frank Nason had been in his right position there is no doubt he would have brought his man down. As it was he couldn't get close enough to get a hold. Stroud's attempt at making it five points was beautiful and earned him a generous round of applause.

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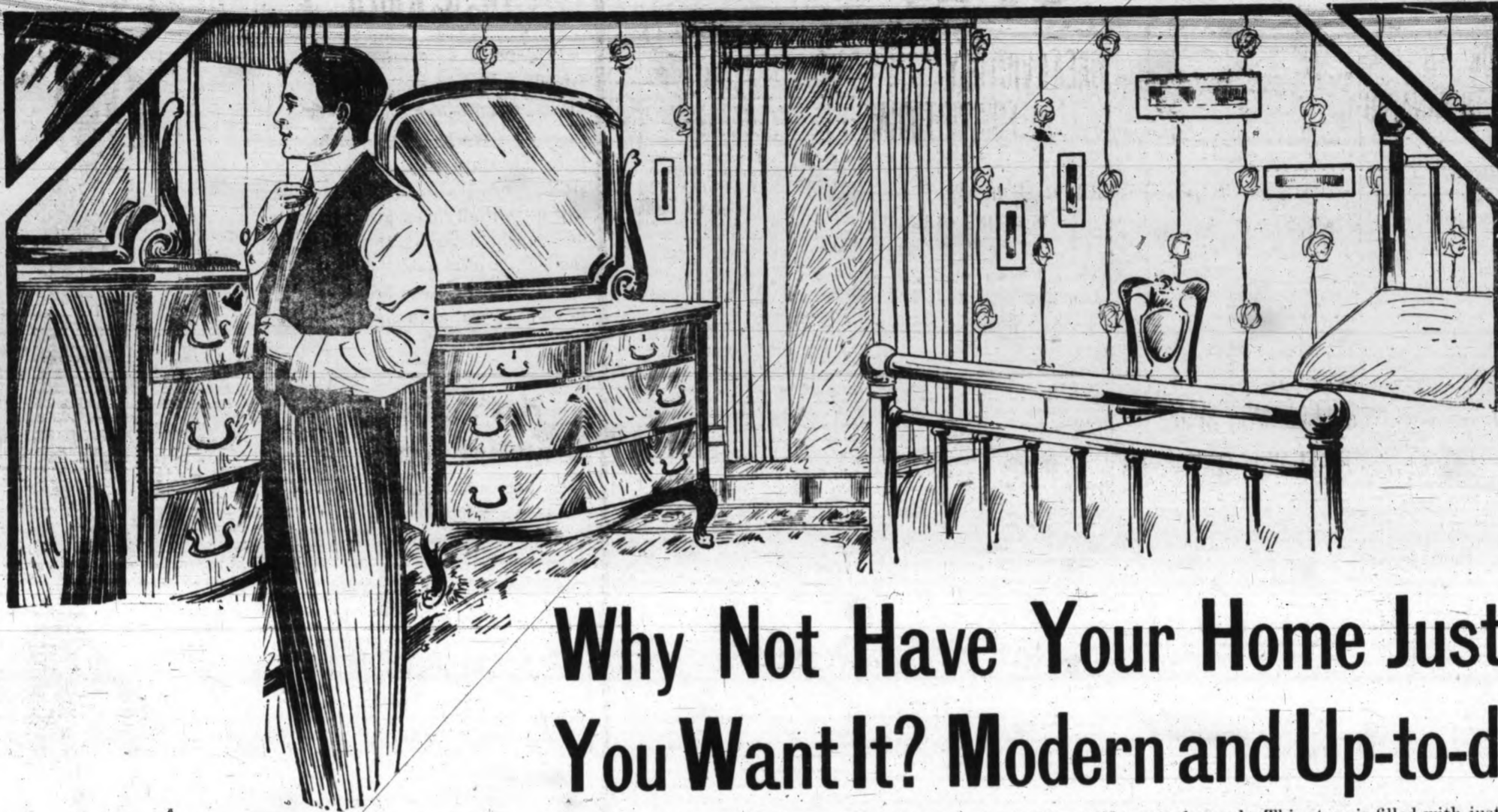
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referee, L. Paterson, of Vancouver, was very strict, especially as regards offside and, as the Californians were the chief offenders in this respect, quite a number of free kicks were awarded Victoria.

Nothing worth recording occurred in the first half after Gillespie had kicked over the bar and sent Victoria into the lead. All through the period Ogden distinguished himself by his splendid tackling under difficult conditions and his brilliant play in other respects. At half-time the play was in California's territory, a long punt by Martin having gained Victoria about twenty yards when Bogardus returned poorly and retrieved only a few yards.

There was nothing doing as far as scores were concerned in the second half, but nevertheless, the game was exceedingly interesting, and the excitement always at the highest pitch. When California returned R. Gillespie's kick-off, Stewart punted into touch almost at centre, thus leaving the teams with an even break so far. A free kick for the collegians a few minutes later sent the ball into Victoria's twenty-five. The blocking of Morton's attempt to find touch kept it there, and for a time play was fierce within a few feet of Victoria's goal area. The visitors were putting all their superior weight into the scrums and the locals were gradually being forced back closer and closer to their line. Luckily the students were a little too eager, with the result that another free kick came Victoria's way and this relieved the pressure. From a line-out California secured the ball and kicked over Victoria's goal line. Johnson touched down and R. Gillespie took the drop-out. 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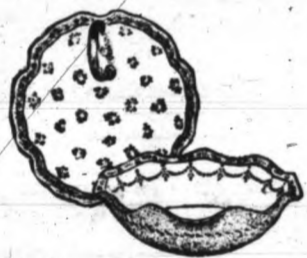
There's no reason in the world why you should not, for this store places within the reach of all everything that your home ideas and wants demand. This store is filled with just the things that your home demands. Just the things to make it the cosy home you have so often thought and planned. Furniture pieces of satisfactory design of splendid quality, new and up to date, prices extremely reasonable and arrangements to meet the requirements of all. We will be glad to talk over your plan and aid you in the furnishing of your home. We'll plan it satisfactorily from any standpoint. Just grant us the opportunity.

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There are new arrivals in fascinating French and other imported china—making a superb showing still more remarkable in its varieties and economies. It deserves your interested attention.

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#### New Year's Requisites

Will you "receive" this year? If so, your sideboard will probably need a few replenishings in glassware. Few or many, we can supply them—plain or fancy. Prices consistent with quality.

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- Goblets
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- Clarets
- Sheries
- Wines
- Punch Bowls
- Punch Cups
- Lemonades

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## MAKES QUARANTINE BEFORE SUN SETS

### Seattle Maru Has Increased Speed and is Docking This Afternoon

After attempting for several nights to ascertain the position of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner, Seattle Maru, Capt. Saito, the West Coast wireless stations this morning established communication with her. At about 9 o'clock she was not far from Estevan and her master reported that he would arrive at 5 o'clock this afternoon from Yokohama and Hongkong. Yesterday it was stated that the vessel would not reach William Head until about 9 o'clock-to-night, but the steamship has increased her speed and will arrive at quarantine before sunset.

Through arriving at 5 o'clock the steamship will escape a prolonged delay at the Head until to-morrow before being permitted to come up to the outer docks to discharge. She will have unloaded the local cargo and be en route to Tacoma by daylight to-morrow. The steamship has aboard a quarter of a million-dollar shipment of silk and a cargo of three thousand tons. There are about 500 tons for Victoria and this includes rice, sugar, oranges and general merchandise.

Last night the Blue Funnel liner Teucer, Capt. Yarwood, returned to the outer wharf from the Sound to discharge 2,000 tons of Liverpool and Oriental freight. While at Seattle a heavy line became entangled in one of the ship's propellers and she was delayed there a day while a diver removed it.

The accident occurred just as the Teucer was going into the slip. The stern line which members of her crew were attempting to get ashore was fouled by the port propeller, and in an instant was drawn into the rapidly revolving wheel. It was found in a tangled mass around the propeller hub before the vessel's engines could be stopped. The heavy lines are very expensive and an effort was made by the diver to disentangle it, but without success.

Finally he went beneath the water with saw in hand, and after nearly an hour's work succeeded in cutting the line from the propeller hub.

## SHIPPING GUIDE

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.		
From the Orient.		
Ortelio	Jan. 3	Jan. 3
Mexico Maru	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
Kamakura Maru	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
Montezuma	Jan. 23	Jan. 23
From Australia.		
Zoalandia	Jan. 9	Jan. 9
From Liverpool.		
Titan	Jan. 20	Jan. 20
From Mexico.		
Beckenham	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
From Antwerp.		
Magician	Jan. 3	Jan. 3
Fog the Orient.		
Sado Maru	Jan. 2	Jan. 2
Seattle Maru	Jan. 7	Jan. 7
Empress of Japan	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
For Mexico.		
Lonsdale	Jan. 15	Jan. 15
For Liverpool.		
Teucer	Jan. 24	Jan. 24
For Australia.		
Zoalandia	Jan. 24	Jan. 24
COASTWISE STEAMERS.		
From San Francisco.		
Umatilla	Jan. 4	Jan. 4
Queen	Jan. 11	Jan. 11
Pr. Rupert	Dec. 31	Dec. 31
Ventura	Jan. 2	Jan. 2
From Skagway.		
Princess May	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
For San Francisco.		
City of Puebla	Jan. 2	Jan. 2
Umatilla	Jan. 19	Jan. 19
For Skagway.		
Princess May	Jan. 11	Jan. 11
For Northern B. C. Ports.		
Pr. Rupert	Jan. 1	Jan. 1
Ventura	Jan. 5	Jan. 5
For the West Coast.		
Tees	Jan. 1	Jan. 1
For Nanaimo.		
Charmer	Jan. 2	Jan. 2
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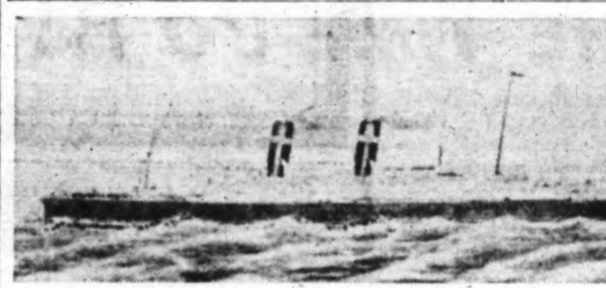


## MET HEAVY GALES COMING UP COAST

### OTHERWISE CHELOSHIN HAD UNEVENTFUL TRIP

### Steamer Reaches Vancouver 72 Days Out From Belfast —Good Speed on Way Out

Seventy days out from Belfast and reporting no casualties or anything approaching one on the long trip, the steamer Cheloshin, Captain Starkey, completed its maiden voyage last evening when she tied up at Vancouver. The vessel was built for the Clifton Steamship Company of British Columbia and will be used in the coastwise service out of this port. She called at the outer wharf yesterday morning to take on a Vancouver pilot. The vessel's cabin windows were boarded up fore and aft and the wheel deck stern was also boarded in, but outside of that the craft looked much the same as an ordinary coaster, notwithstanding the exposure and rough weather encountered in the last leg of the voyage.



### NEW ALLAN TURBINES.

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Wharf to welcome the vessel to port said that she was one of the smartest-looking vessels they had ever seen. The Cheloshin is very beamy, but with her racy lines and sheer loses the appearance of width. In addition to handling cargo through the side ports she is equipped with cargo booms forward. She is 165 feet long between perpendiculars and her beam is 35 feet. The beam was made necessary by the height of the craft, there being no less than four decks.

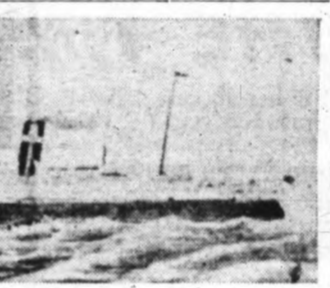
The main deck forward of the machinery is reserved for freight, which can be quickly handled by two winches placed side by side, one for raising and lowering and one for transporting from and to the wharf. The winches work in conjunction with two derricks, one plumb the hatch and the other directed overboard, and both winches are operated by one man from a position on the shade deck. The Cheloshin was built under special survey of the British board of trade for a passenger certificate in home waters, and consequently fulfills the British board of trade requirements regarding the number and strength of water-tight bulkheads, stability, life-saving appliances, fire hydrants, etc.

The propelling machinery consists of two sets of balanced crank triple-expansion engines, supplied with steam at 185 pounds pressure from two specially large boilers, designed for burning inferior local coal. Special care has been taken in the designs to secure quiet running as well as to eliminate vibration. The auxiliary machinery consisting of centrifugal circulating feed, bilge and sanitary pumps, evaporator, injector, etc., is of a most complete nature with a view to highest efficiency in service.

## EXCELLENT LINERS FOR ALLAN SERVICE

### Will Be Equipped With Anti-Rolling Devices—Fastest in Canadian Trade

Several interesting new features will be embodied in the two new Allan steamships now being built in the United Kingdom for the Atlantic trade. Not only will the vessels be the largest and finest plying in the Canadian-Liverpool service, but they will also be the fastest in point of speed. The Allan line has been the pioneer in many great marine developments. It was to the fore in the adoption of twin screws, bilge keels, with turbines, and so far as passengers are concerned, it was the first company to adopt second class departments.



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That such progression should be associated with these present developments, launched upon by Mr. Hugh Allan and his colleagues, merely adds another link to those annals in British shipbuilding history which are inseparable from the records of the company.

One vessel is being built by the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company, which built the Empress of Ireland and the Empress of Britain, and the other by Messrs. William Beardmore, also on the Clyde. Both vessels are expected to be ready to go into commission for the spring traffic of 1912.

## SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Dec. 28.  
Vancouver—Arrived: Fulton, Seattle; Henrik Ibsen, Tacoma; British Empire, Skagway; Cheloshin, Belfast, Ireland. Sailed: J. E. Boyden towing barge Bangor, Tacoma; Morning Star, Seattle.  
Seattle, Wash.—Arrived: Sado Maru, Yokohama; Admiral Sampson, Tacoma; Meteor, Irondale; Atlas towing barge 35, San Francisco. Sailed: Wednesday afternoon.

TRANSPORTATION.

## Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway

### OPENING Alberni Extension

#### Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1911

Train will leave Victoria, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m., arriving Wellington 13.15; leave Wellington 13.45; arrive Port Alberni 16.25.  
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Tickets good going Dec. 31, 10 a.m. Return, leave Seattle midnight, Dec. 31.

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## The Boscowitz S. S. Co., Ltd.

S. S. VENTURE will sail for Northern B. C. ports, including Bella Coola and Kitimat, from Victoria, Thursday, Jan. 4.

## The Union S. S. Co., Ltd.

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## Tenders

For the erection of a Six-story, Reinforced Concrete Building on the north side of Johnson street, between Broad and Douglas, for Mr. Charles Hayward and Mr. Frank S. Barnard, will be received by the undersigned until Monday, January 15th, 1912, at 5 p.m. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

BRESEMANN & DURFEE, Architects, 516 Sayward Building.

### DESERT LAUNCH IN GALE

Portland, Ore., Dec. 28.—Henry L. Beck, an inspector of the Seventeenth Lighthouse Division, received word yesterday of the safety of Mrs. Nora Clark, of Blaine, Wash., and her father, C. L. Durgan, keeper of the light at Seminamoo, who have arrived at Fater's Island, whither they were going upon receiving word of the drowning of Mrs. Clark's husband. It was reported that Mrs. Clark and her father were possible victims of a storm. Their launch was in distress and had to be abandoned.

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WARM WELCOME TO THE AUSTRALIANS

PREMIER RECEIVES YOUTHFUL VISITORS

Tells Them That British Columbia Extends Right Hand of Kinship

DOMINION EXHIBITION. Here is what an Ottawa newspaper says: 'Providing Hon. Martin Burrill, minister of agriculture, is able to convince the cabinet council to accept his views on the subject, the Central Canada Exhibition association will secure the annual Dominion grant of \$50,000 for the exhibition in the Capital next year.'

The touring Australian boys were officially welcomed last evening at the Y. M. C. A., Premier McBride and Hon. H. E. Young doing the honors. On the platform with the Premier and Hon. Dr. Young were Lieut. J. J. Simons, commanding the Australian squad, and Mr. Horne of the Y. M. C. A., the last gentleman introducing the speakers as they rose.

Mr. McBride was greeted with cheers when he rose to speak, and his second phrase elicited further applause. 'Brother Australians' had a more personal friendliness in its sound than the sweeping conventionalities of 'Ladies and Gentlemen.' Continuing, Mr. McBride said: 'This to me is a very rare privilege—to be allowed to welcome in the capital city of British Columbia, a large, energetic and representative body of boys from our sister colony in Australia. We who live in this part of Canada are particularly interested in Australia. When one of your countrymen is journeying on his way to the great centre of the Anglo-Saxon race, his first word with another Britisher in Victoria is to travel by what we call the Canadian-Australian route, if he is content to return by the same route, his last word likely to be said to a Britisher in Victoria, under the Union Jack, it is in this city that you find yourselves to-night. In your tour, you have left the best to the last; you have been in California, Oregon and

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THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS AT THE FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The forty-eighth annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, was held on Wednesday, December 20th, 1911, at the head office of the Bank. Among those present were the following Shareholders—Sir H. Montagu Allan and Messrs. Jonathan Hodgson, Thomas Long, Charles M. Hays, Alex. Barnett, K. W. Blackwell, Andrew A. Allan, C. C. Ballantyne, E. F. Holden, E. Fiske, John Patterson, William Acheson, D. Kinghorn, A. Piddington, M. S. Foley, A. D. Fraser, C. J. Fleet, C. E. Black, H. B. Loucks, H. B. Yates, T. M. Merrett, A. Dingwall, W. Stanway, James Alexander, A. Hatz Stans and J. M. Kilbourn.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The President then read the Directors' report as follows: It is with much pleasure the Board once more meet the shareholders in annual meeting assembled. We have another favorable year to report. Our profits, after making full provision for all doubtful debts due to us, amount to the sum of \$1,278,878.18. Notwithstanding the increase of the dividend to 10 per cent, making the second amount increase in two years, we have again written \$100,000 of the Bank Premises Account, added \$50,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund and placed \$500,000 to our Reserve Fund, which now represents the important sum of 90 per cent of the paid up capital, and carried forward \$58,878.18 to next year's Profit and Loss Account. We trust our shareholders will find this showing satisfactory.

Statement of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Year Ending 30th November, 1911. The Net Profits of the year, after payment of charges, rebate on discounts, interest on deposits, and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts, have amounted to \$1,178,581.02.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 30th November, 1911

Table with two columns: LIABILITIES and ASSETS. Liabilities include Notes in Circulation (\$6,351,236.00), Deposits at Call (\$25,397,925.26), and Dividends unclaimed (2,178.50). Assets include Gold and Silver Coin on hand (\$2,149,067.08), Dominion Notes on hand (\$5,659,190.00), and Government Municipal, Railways and other Bonds and Debentures (\$6,074,969.01).

In moving the adoption of the Report, the President referred to the invitation of the Directors to issue \$1,000,000 new stock. The General Manager spoke briefly regarding the business and prospects of the Bank, particularly in the Western Provinces, and paid a tribute to the devotion of the staff.

Washington, and finally you have arrived in British Columbia, a part of Canada, which taken with Australia, pretty nearly goes to make up the bulk of the area of the British Empire. We both enjoy one privilege in common by being under the protection of the Union Jack, and enjoying all the good things which come from the democracy of the British Empire. We hope that you may return from Europe by the Canadian route, as you are representative boys from representative Australian towns and we are anxious in British Columbia that you should take away the best and kindest remembrance of Canadian life.

The Hon. Dr. Young said a few words of welcome, after which Lieut. J. J. Simons of the Australian Scouts, responded: 'We are glad to be in Victoria to-night. We have often thought of this city, because it has the same name as one of the most important states in our own union. The origin of that name is too well beloved and too familiar to dwell on tonight, but it is sufficient to draw us together with the bonds of sympathy. We are glad, and we feel honored to receive greetings from such distinguished men as Premier McBride and Dr. Young, and we feel with the Premier, that the bonds of Empire and the sympathy which exists between us, must not depend so much on what is written on parchment or conveyed in legal instruments, but on that union which springs from a perfect understanding, and a sentiment of sympathy. We feel that a union of this sort will go deeper and further than anything founded on cast-iron laws. Next year it is going to be our honor and privilege in Australia to reciprocate the kind reception which we have received at your hands, when a party of Vancouver boys will visit us. We cannot help taking note of the old saying: 'As the boy is, so the man will be'; if the boys understand each other, then the legislators of the future who will be regenerated from the young manhood of the nation will have more understanding and sympathy.'

'In America,' continued the Lieut., 'we went feeling that the sentiment would be one of hostility, but instead we found everywhere that the people were ready to honor us. In San Francisco we carried the Union Jack and the Australian flag together through the streets, and everywhere the crowds cheered our colors and our color-bearers. Not from a single American tongue did we hear an unkind word, either against ourselves or against the English people. It would be a great and sacred mission to throw down the flimsy barriers, which keep the United States out of the councils of the British Empire. We feel that, great as the

British Empire is, might it not make the power of the English-speaking peoples still greater if we could admit to our partnership that elder brother who strayed away a century ago.' 'As the Premier has said to-night, the statesmen and legislators from every part of the Dominion have had the opportunity of meeting and exchanging ideas; so now the boys are coming together and emulating their elders by doing likewise. We extend to you, Mr. Premier and Dr. Young, our thanks for the greeting which you have extended to us to-night.'

At the conclusion of the address, Dr. Young rose and extended an invitation to the Y. A. L. to go over the Parliament Buildings this morning. 'God Save the King,' sung with whole-hearted enthusiasm, was the signal for the disbanding of the audience. Premier McBride and Dr. Young standing by the platform and shaking hands with each of the boys as they passed out. The Y. M. C. A. have arranged with friends in this city to entertain the boys of the Y. A. L. during their stay here.

SIZE OF NEWSPAPERS. Speaking on the modern newspaper an advertising manager, whose views are concurred in by the Times, said: 'The limit size in ratio to cost of white paper has been reached by some journals which even now are either losing money or keeping even by the narrowest of margins. 'Even with heavy advertising patronage it is plain that increasing size under such circumstances would be to commit financial suicide. 'Other considerations point to reductions rather than an increase in the size of newspapers, and the most important one is that the reading public is becoming tired of the great bulk of daily editions and of most Sunday issues. 'It is impossible that such a mass of printed matter should be read. They become wearisome. 'The public generally gets what it wants and that will prove as true of newspapers as of political candidates. 'There is a growing sentiment for smaller and more compact newspapers, and when that demand culminates the publishers will comply. 'The policy of the Times is to give all the news in smallest possible compass. When 20 pages will do there is no need to print 24 pages, while a 16-page paper is better than a 20-page, provided always that it contains the news. Readers do not favor a large paper.'

APPOINTMENTS AND NEW CORPORATIONS

Provincial Gazette Notices—Victoria Firms Extend Energies. Provincial appointments gazetted in the B. C. Gazette to-day are the following: John Spouse, Victoria, to be an assistant teacher in the provincial normal school, Vancouver, from January 1, 1912. Herbert Wainwright Edmondson, Victoria, to be a clerk in the department of public works from September 1 last. Dr. Benjamin Butler Marr, Langley, in the country of Westminster, to a coroner-in and for the province. Frank A. McKinnon, Goose Bay, to be a notary public.

Certificates of incorporation have been granted to the following during the week: Anglo-Canadian Securities Limited; Builders' Exchange, District Lot 173, Limited; East Bella Bella Canning Company, Limited; Herman Cigar Manufacturing Company, Limited; Issaquah and Superior Coal Mining Company, Limited; Pacific Amusement Company, Limited; Reliance Saw and Door Company, Limited; Revelstoke Hardware Company, Limited; Shaw Brothers, Limited; Standard Steam Laundry, Limited; Women's Unity Club, Standard Meter Company, Limited, of Toronto, has been licensed as an extra-provincial company. Shaw Bros., Limited, is incorporated with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars, in five-dollar shares, to take over the business of photographers and dealers in photographic works and supplies now carried on in this city under the firm name of Shaw Bros. Authority is given to carry on the business of photographers, producers, manufacturers and wholesale and retail dealers in photographic works and supplies; dealers in stationery and fancy goods; buy, sell and deal in

works of art of all kinds, and provide expert advice of all kinds to customers and others and to undertake such other businesses in connection with the objects of the company as may be seen fit. The Standard Steam Laundry, Limited, is incorporated with a capital of fifty thousand dollars, in one-dollar shares, to acquire the undertaking of the Standard Steam Laundry Company, Limited, incorporated in 1907, and carry on the business of a steam and general laundry here. 'The women of Naramata, a pretty little town in the Okanagan valley, have become incorporated under the provisions of the Benevolent Societies' act as the Women's Unity Club of Naramata, for the promotion of social life in the community, the aiding of the sick and the assisting in any charitable work approved by the members. In the constitution and by-laws one of the duties assigned to the president is, 'to settle all disputes arising in the club.' The expenses of the club are to be met by freewill offering. Religion and politics are barred as topics of discussion. It is enacted that 'continued inharmonious shall be sufficient reason for expulsion of a member on vote of two-thirds of the members.'

Hughand—'Every time the baby looks into my face he smiles,' said Mr. Meekins. 'Well,' answered his wife, 'it may not be exactly polite, but it shows he has a sense of humor.'

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# JANUARY EDISON RECORDS

The January list of new Edison Record numbers includes a number of selections from the latest New York Musical plays, and new song hits, in addition to several popular and standard selections.

873—Gypsy Love—Waltzes (Franz Lehar)—American Standard Orchestra.

874—Come With Me to the Bungalow (Geo. M. Cohan) Walter Van Brunt.

875—Any Old Place the Flag Flies (Geo. M. Cohan) Billy Murray and Chorus.

876—Music Caressing of Violins (Leo Fall) Elizabeth Spencer and Harry Anthony.

877—The Kiss Waltz—Waltzes (C. M. Ziehrer) American Standard Orchestra.

878—O'er the Blue Waters—Barcarolle (C. M. Ziehrer) Charles R. Hargreaves.

879—Love is the Theme of My Dreams (Kerry Mills) Elizabeth Spencer.

880—It's a Long Lane That Has No Turning (Manuel Klein) Henry Stantrey and Mixed Chorus.

881—My Old Town (Manuel Klein) James F. Harrison and Mixed Chorus.

882—Masanillo Overture (D. F. E. Auber) Edison Concert Band.

883—The Hour That Gave Me You (Johann C. Schmidt) Arthur C. Clough.

884—Praise Ye—"Attila" (Verdi) Agnes Kimball, Reed Miller and Frank Crofton.

885—Valse Septembre (Felix Godin) National Promenade Band.

886—That Railroad Rag (Ed. Dimberg) Edward Meeker.

887—The Fisherman and His Child (C. A. White) Anthony and Harrison.

888—They Always Pick On Me (Harry Von Tilzer) Add. Jones.

889—By the Dear Old River Rhine (Theodore Morse) Campbell and Gillette.

890—On the New York, New Haven, and Hartford (Albert Von Tilzer) Edward Meeker.

891—Ecstasy (Mrs. H. H. Beach) Mary Hissen de Moss.

892—Flora's Holiday—Song Cycle (H. Lane Wilson) The Frank Crofton Quartette.

893—There's a Dixie Girl Who's Longing for a Yankee Doodle Boy (Geo. W. Meyer) Walter Van Brunt and Chorus.

894—Fisher's Hornpipe Medley (C. F. E. Auber) Charles D'Almaine.

895—Dat's Harmony (Bert Williams) Rob Roberts.

896—Pinafore Airs—No. 4 (Gilbert and Sullivan) Edison Light Opera Company.

897—Three Quotations—No. 3 "Nigger in the Woodpile" (Souza) Souza's Band.

898—Can't You Take It Back and Change It for a Boy? (Thurild "Chattaway" Lottie Gilson).

899—If All My Dreams Were Made of Gold I'd Buy the World for You (George Christie) Irving Gillette.

900—Honey Man, (My Lovin' Honey Man) (Al Plantados) Anna Chandler.

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### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

J. T. Steeh, of Tacoma, arrived in the city yesterday.

Mrs. E. N. McRae, of Nanaimo, is visiting in the city.

James M. Ashton, of Tacoma, has arrived at the Empress hotel.

T. G. Mitchell is a guest at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

L. G. Brampton is at the Westholme hotel from London, England.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cash are in the city from Vermilion, Alberta.

W. R. H. Prescott is registered at the Empress hotel from Alberni.

Mr. and Mrs. Leighton, of Seattle, are guests at the Westholme hotel.

Mrs. L. Bowers and family are staying out at Langford for the holidays.

J. B. Simpson and wife, of Nanaimo, are staying at the Westholme hotel.

Mrs. H. F. Mall, of Edmonton, is staying at the Empress hotel on a brief visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Maitland, of Vancouver, are spending a few days in the city.

Jesse Evans and C. Wark paid a

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visit to Ladysmith during the present week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gregory, of Princeton, have arrived at the Empress hotel.

Frank H. Chestnut, of the U. S. customs service at Seattle, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

Miss Gertrude Challoner has returned from spending Christmas with her parents at Nanaimo.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Wills are visiting in the city from Vancouver, and are guests at the Empress hotel.

A. J. Thompson, proprietor of the Alhambra hotel, Vancouver, came over from the Mainland last night and is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Milton P. Farmer, manager of the University of California Rugby team, came over from Seattle yesterday and is at the Dominion hotel. He leaves to-night for Vancouver.

William H. May, school inspector, registered yesterday at the Dominion from Nelson. He is here on departmental business connected with the schools of Nelson district.

W. E. Buckingham, a well-known farmer of Eburne, and a prominent member of the B. C. Agricultural Society, is staying at the Dominion hotel while on a business visit here.

Captain T. H. Worsnop of the Canadian-Mexican Line, and Mrs. Worsnop have left for the south, Captain Worsnop going down to Mexico, while Mrs. Worsnop will remain at Los Angeles for some weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Governon (nee Miss Gladys Campbell), whose marriage took place in St. Paul's church on Tuesday morning, sailed from Victoria yesterday on the Makura. They will go as far as Honolulu on their wedding tour.

Mr. and Mrs. Boschwick and G. Hannah, A. Thompson of Delisle, Sask.; Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and George Nelson of Brandon, S. P. M. Craig and S. Hickson of Lova, Sask.; George Bevell and J. Coxton of Winnipeg, are among the prairie visitors who arrived here yesterday and registered at the Dominion hotel.

The marriage of the Hon. Louvina Knollys, only daughter of Lord Knollys, who was secretary to King Edward VII, to Lieut. Allan Mackenzie of the Grenadier Guards, took place at the Guards Chapel, London, on December 19. The Princess Victoria was present. Afterwards the couple were received by Queen Alexandra at Marlborough House.

Mrs. McLagan and Miss Doris McLagan, of Vancouver, will leave tomorrow for Seattle, where they will meet Miss Hazel McLagan on her return from Denver, where she has spent several months. They will remain in Seattle for New Year's as the guests of Mrs. McCall. Mr. S. Macleure of Victoria will also join them there for New Year's day.

President and Mrs. Taft gave the first of the winter's series of state dinners at the White House last week, their guests being the cabinet officers and the wives. Owing to the mourning of Vice-President and Mrs. Sherman and the absence of Vice-President and Mrs. Knox, who are in New York for the wedding of their son, Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh were the ranking guests. It has been found necessary to change the date of the Supreme Court dinner from Tuesday, January 30, to Wednesday, January 31.

## The Evening Chit-Chat

By Ruth Cameron



My cat has two kittens—a litty lady tiger kitty, and a sturdy little black boy kitty.

Usually the brother and sister play together very happily in their basket by the fire, but once in a while, I am disturbed by hearing a most terrible howling. And the cause, I have found, is almost always this—the little tiger kitty has picked a quarrel with the black kitten. Now the black kitten is inclined to be rather quiet and ultra peaceable, but once he is aroused, he fights for all that's in him, and being larger and sturdier than his sister, is soon punishing her severely. Whereupon, little sister promptly shows the white feather and sets up a caterwauling which she knows will probably bring the mother kitty or me to her aid.

Do you know this illogical and unworthy custom of my tiger kitty always makes me think of the equally illogical and unworthy custom of some of her superiors of the same sex?

Surely you know what I mean. The lack of logic, justice, and sense of fair play shown by the woman who asks to be put on an equal footing with men, and then resents it when he treats her as an equal.

I think the tiger kitty symbolizes the woman who claims her right to go into an office to do work, which used to be done exclusively by men, and then wants in addition to the rights of a man the special privileges of a woman.

I think my kitten symbolizes the woman who enters some professional, or artistic field as a competitor with men, and then is satisfied, or even



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anxious to have her work judged with leniency, because she is a woman who wants the vote, and yet still wants to be treated chivalrously by men, to have her physical weakness considered and respected.

And now let I leave a loophole for my friends, the anti-suffragists, I want to say what I think the kitten does not symbolize.

She does not stand for the woman who wants the vote, and yet still wants to be treated chivalrously by men, to have her physical weakness considered and respected.

It is one of the oldest and most common anti-suffrage arguments that if a woman gets the vote, she must not expect to have men give up their seats in the street car, or in other ways show her courtesy any longer.

To me this argument seems like the most absolute balderdash. Woman does not assume in asking for the vote that she is man's physical equal. She simply assumes that, insofar as the qualifications necessary to make her a voter are concerned, she is, or can soon be educated to be, man's equal. This matter has nothing whatever to do with her physical qualifications or her need of chivalry.

A man would rise to give an old, sick or lame man a seat in a street car. And yet all these men are voters. The fact that they have the right to vote, does not deprive them of the privilege of being treated with kindness and consideration on account of their physical weakness.

In claiming her ability to do the same work as man, woman places herself on the same level of competition so far as that work goes and I think should ask no quarter in the struggle, but I do not see why either the fact that she competes with man in her own work, or the fact that she wants to help govern herself should deprive her of man's courtesy and consideration in other relations of life.

I am ashamed of my own sex when it raises its weakness as a white feather and demands special privileges in a struggle which it has entered, with the declaration that it was willing to fight on equal terms.

I am ashamed of the other sex, when it makes woman's demand for justice, and her desire to do a man's work, if that is what she is fitted for, a pretext to deny her chivalry, courtesy, consideration, and protection, when her physical inferiority demands these.

Ruth Cameron

BERLIN'S CITY HALL

The new Town House is situated in that part of Berlin that is hardly ever visited by foreign travellers. After all, it is the most picturesque part of the city. Old Berlin, with its crooked streets, its incredible provincial aspects, its old churches overtopped by green copper and zinc roofs and clock towers, with the venerable square of the Gray Friars, with old houses and quiet places in the midst of the throng of a bewildering traffic in the neighboring thoroughfares.

The site available, between four of these old streets, has a most irregular shape. Her Hoffmann, the musical architect, made a virtue of necessity by varying the height and turning the axes of the wings accordingly. He kept, as far as outward appearances go, two points in view. First, the building was to contain about one thousand office rooms of moderate size; second, it was on all sides adjoining very narrow streets. The sober and powerful character of the fronts well corresponds to these conditions. A material he chose a gray shell limestone, because its smooth surface very soon gets a nice patina under the influence of wind and weather.

The ground floor is held in rustic bossage, so as to form a powerful footing for the huge pillars and semi-columns that support the attic. Solid and serious, strong and monumental is the impression produced everywhere. The roof is pretty steep, and out of it a steeple rises to remarkable height. The steeple is quite original in conception. It is round, surrounded and crowned with an egg-shaped helmet. Very graceful is the broach and lantern of the steeple. The ascent is made either by elevator or by very comfortable stairs, and from the top one gets the finest view obtainable over the city. The whole interior is adapted to the practical requirements of the municipal service, but by no means monotonous.

An oval conference room is as pretty as it could be. The large assembly hall, in which the inauguration took place, is more like a granite alabaster oval. Its chief decoration is a bronze bear, suggestive of the coat-of-arms of the city. It is the work of the sculptor, Professor Wetka.

SCIENCE SUPPLIES BLOOMS

It is a truly astonishing thing to reflect that Shakespeare, for all his love of flowers, says the Strand Magazine, would have been able to name scarcely a single flower in a twentieth century garden. He would hardly have been able to distinguish the queen of flowers itself, so greatly has the rose changed in the last three centuries, while as for the begonia, the chrysanthemum, the dianthus, the geranium, the fuchsia and carnations, these were unknown even to our great-grandfathers, who would have regarded them with wonder and delight.

For many of our most beautiful flowers are purely modern productions and three centuries ago there were no flower gardens in England. What were then thought of as gardens were herbularia, places where rosemary, mint, basil, thyme and sage grew, and perhaps a few primitive blooms, such as violets and primroses, were suffered to exist, much as poppies and cornflowers do to-day.

Only about a quarter of a century old is the science of floriculture, which has so completely altered our gardens and is so still altering the forms and colors of familiar flowers as in many cases to render them entirely new species. The flowers of to-day are the result of cross-breeding, stimulated by electricity, drugs and hot water baths. Hundreds of expert botanists are by these methods engaged in breeding new flowers, or new forms of old ones in the gardens and hothouses of Europe and America.

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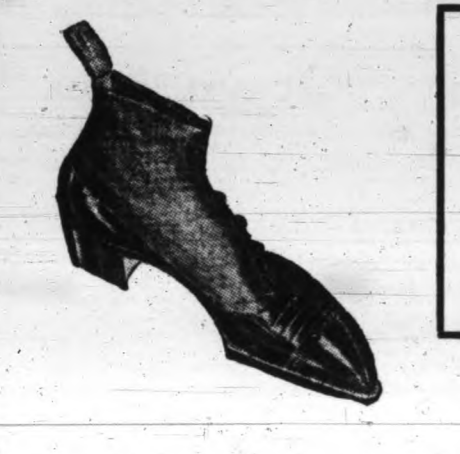
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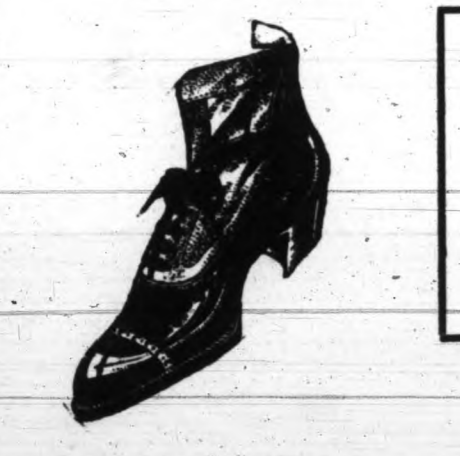
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### AUSTRALIA'S POLICY TO PROTECT HERSELF

#### Commonwealth Prefers Independent Action in Naval and Military Matters

The development of Australia along modern and progressive lines is the life object of the leader of the visiting Australian boys who are spending a few days in the city on their world encircling tour. Lieut. Simons has demonstrated in past experience that he is well fitted to take charge of what he himself describes as the best living advertisement for the most western state of the Commonwealth. Only two of the boys in the party are residents of other states, and the value of their campaign, as Lieut. Simons pointed out to a Times representative yesterday is twofold, in both educating the boys, and doing publicity work for the great western state whose million square miles is the largest under a single administration in the British Empire. The analogy between British Columbia and western Australia—he remarked, was singularly apparent, in that each became known to the world as mining countries, and while mining in each remained an important feature of the industrial life, other forms of commercial enterprise had followed to give stability to the country. He might have carried the comparison further, and pointed out that like this province, Western Australia was the only state of Australasia to have an Oriental problem of serious importance.

Lieut. Simons' public work, which was recognized by an improvised subscription handed to him amid the plaudits of thousands at Fremantle, following a great gathering in the Oval of the most western port has been in the way of creating an Australian sentiment which would be imperial in tone, while strengthening the tie to the eastern states. As general president of the Australian Natives' Association, Mr. Simons had special opportunity of pushing this movement, this organization being particularly strong in the Commonwealth, and he enjoys the distinction of having been the youngest man to hold that responsible office, last year.

Publicity Work.

As merely a means of publicity work he pointed out that their practice had been to speak on Australia in the different public schools of the cities they were travelling through, and averaging that they reached one thousand per city, whereas as a matter of fact in the larger towns they addressed six, seven and eight thousand. In the cities they had visited since landing in San Francisco, they had already reached one hundred thousand Americans. In the present trip, and the boys had lived in 1700 homes, all of whom had heard something about western Australia. The gift of the state government to the funds would be repaid to them a hundred fold. It should be explained, in passing, that Lieut. Simons himself pays his way like all the boys, and returned the gift made to him at Fremantle to the funds of the Young Australians League. In the Old Country, which they propose to visit, the agent-general for the state in London, Sir Newton Moore, is making arrangements for assisting in the campaign

with the boys for publicity work for western Australia. Their English tour will be under the auspices of the Empire League.

**Compulsory Training.**

Lieut. Simons, by virtue of the public positions he holds, and the fact that it is his intention to enter politics in his state at an early date in fact had been at home he could have had the Labor nomination in Perth City at the recent state elections has given close attention both to the naval and military defences of the Commonwealth. He says, in reference to the compulsory training introduced into Australia that the sole desire is to maintain a white country at any rate, as the vast unpeopled spaces of the continent invite attack from the seething millions of the Orient against whom their measures are directed. The proposal is to have ultimately a force of 600,000 men used to the practice of arms, and a good start has already been made in the 100,000 now in view. As in commerce, so in war a man should be trained to be ready at the time of emergency, and as he had said the other day, the representatives who went to the next Imperial Conference with the knowledge that they had the best trained force behind them would be best able to impress the other delegates. The country was spending \$50,000,000 on naval and military service, capital expenditure and maintenance, which showed they were in earnest on the matter.

**Will Defend Themselves.**

"The time has not yet arrived for disarmament," he said, "and until that time comes the Australians intend to prepare themselves against attack. We arm for defence and protection, and not with the idea of aggression. The more prepared we are the better we shall be to fight when the time comes. We do not want to have to fight any white nation, and speaking for Australia, generally, I do not think we should want to fight Germany for instance in case of a war between Great Britain and Germany, but we arm against the Asiatic. When Great Britain is forced to defend her shores, and all her defences are concentrated there, then will be the time for an Oriental power to swoop down on Australia, and for that period of stress the Commonwealth is preparing. The defence of Australia must be undertaken by ourselves, and the time has gone by when we can look to Great Britain alone, in fact this dependence is repugnant to the good sense of the people themselves." He drew attention to the fact that the Australian plan was a distinction between conscription and compulsory service, and while all must serve after passing through the cadet stage in the schools, attending camp for a certain number of days each year, arrangements were made to prevent interference with business, the men being trained at different dates.

**The Naval Policy.**

Closely bound up with the military policy is the naval development of the Commonwealth, following the exhaustive report of Admiral Sir R. Henderson—just as the military situation was reported upon by Lord Kitchener—and already two torpedo destroyers for coast protection service are in use, the "Parramatta," and the "Varru," and two more are building at Sydney, the naval yards and repair works are developing, and by the time the country is ready to build Dreadnoughts at home, accommodation will be available in Commonwealth ports. The "Australia," the new super-Dreadnought, which is building in England for the Commonwealth government, will be ready by the time the country is able to man them with Australian marines, and the whole object of the policy is, in the future, to secure an Australian navy, owned, built, and manned in Australia. In accordance with the changed arrangements, the headquarters of the Australian station of the British fleet will leave Syd-

ney for New Zealand, giving greater protection to the Western Pacific. "Australia like America," he said, "recognizes that the centre of commercial gravity is shifting to the Pacific, and with the opening of the Panama canal, the world will see great changes in the twentieth century." The Australian navy is under the control of the federal executive, and by the arrangement with the British Admiralty approval must be obtained through legislative action to employment of the Australian fleet in other than defensive work, should war occur. The popular opinion was too strong against control from Downing street in war time, without reference to local sentiment. The national pride of Australia called for independent action in providing for the defence of the island continent, exposed for thousands of miles on its seaboard to attack from the millions of Asia.

#### THE LUSITANIA'S RECORD. Interesting Details of Provisioning and Manning a Crack Ocean Liner.

The London Standard of December 5 contains the following interesting account of the steaming record of the steamship Lusitania:

The arrival of the famous Atlantic liner Lusitania, of the Cunard Line, at Fishguard yesterday afternoon from New York marked another epoch-making event in the annals of the mercantile marine, which must rank as the greatest achievement in the world's history of shipping. Within the past twelve months she has crossed the Atlantic ocean no fewer than thirty-two times, or, in other words, completed no fewer than sixteen "round trips" between England and America. Such a wonderful record of continuous voyages has never been accomplished before—not even by her notable sister ship the Mauretania, which sets out from Liverpool on Saturday next for her "quick turn round" Christmas trip to New York.

To be exact, the Lusitania has taken less than twelve months in completing these thirty-two trips; in fact, on the anniversary of the commencement of the first voyage of the series, she will be on her way making her thirty-third crossing. During the twelve months the Lusitania has steamed the wonderful distance of over 100,000 miles, and a further testimony to her engines and also to the engineers responsible for them is that an average speed between Daunt's Rock and Ambrose Channel Lightship of 24.67 nautical miles westward and 24.68 eastward has been maintained through winter stress and summer sunshine. The consistency of the speed for both ways is worthy of note, as showing the regularity and precision of the running. The maintenance of this speed requires the assistance of 192 fires in the stokehold, and to keep these burning brightly has necessitated the consumption of the enormous quantity of something like 160,000 tons of coal. The highest day's run during the year was 656 miles westward and 608 on the eastbound trip, while the fastest voyage was 4 days 13 hours 35 minutes westward, at an average speed of 25.37 nautical miles per hour, and 4 days 15 hours 55 minutes eastward, at an average of 25.10. The latter, by the way, was the fastest eastward run of the great ship's career.

During this period the Lusitania has carried 78,294 bags of mails and specie to the value of \$6,830,000 over 40,000 passengers have been carried, an average of over 2,500 per trip. This, of course, does not include the crew, which numbers about 850 for each voyage. As to the consumption of provisions by the passengers and crew, 512,332 pounds of fresh meat alone was disposed of. Nearly 18,000 chickens, 4,000 ducks and geese were required, in addition to well over half a million

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Then there were also nearly 12,000 pounds of jam and over 10,000 pounds of marmalade consumed, while to sweeten the coffee and tea, of which 9,620 pounds and 8,153 pounds respectively were needed, and, of course, for sundry other purposes, 163,756 pounds of sugar were utilized. Of ham 12,651 pounds, bacon—50,661 pounds, cheese 16,328 pounds, and butter 43,674 pounds were consumed, while of fruit, to mention two items only—apples and oranges—809 and 922 large barrels and boxes respectively were eaten. Another big item is 113,138 pounds of fresh fish.

Undoubtedly the Lusitania's most notable achievement during the year, in fact, probably of her whole career, was the "quick turn round" trip at the end of the summer, to make up the time lost through the labor troubles. On this occasion the vessel made two complete round voyages to New York and back within a month. She left

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### PROPOSED NATIONAL APPLE EXHIBITION

Show Will Probably Be Held at Montreal—Committees at Work

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Montreal will next year probably be the scene of a national fruit exhibition, on the same big scale as marked the national apple show at Vancouver a couple of years ago.

It is proposed that an exhibition of what is regarded as Canada's national fruit, the apple, shall be held here next November, when there will be exhibits from all the apple-growing districts of Canada. It is expected that such an exhibition will prove of great advantage to the country since it will undoubtedly draw many buyers from Europe as well as from the United States.

Committees have been appointed in order to find out how much support may be looked for from the Dominion and the provinces as well as from the railways and steamship companies. It is pointed out that the Vancouver apple exhibition gave no less than \$45,000 in prizes and it was thought that Montreal should be able to do even better than this. Other expenses in connection with the exhibition will probably bring the expense up to about \$60,000, so that it will be no small affair to undertake. But with the promise given of keen interest in anything pertaining to the advancement of the fruit business by Hon. Martin Burrell at the last convention of the Horticultural Association of this province it is hoped that the project will be carried through successfully.

### ANOTHER PROTEST FROM GERMANY

Wants Paper and Pulp Admitted Free Into the United States

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—American pulp and printing paper manufacturers are bringing pressure to bear upon President Taft to induce him to refuse to yield to the demand of European governments for the free admission of their paper and pulp on terms of equality with the Canadian product. The disposition of the administration is to let this matter be determined by the courts, but as this involves long delay, the diplomatic protestants are by no means satisfied and are adopting measures to show their resentment.

Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, has informed the state department that Germany would not accord to American exporters the reduced duties on tool steel and hard rubber accorded to Swedish and Japanese exporters under their special treaties, because America did not admit German wood pulp and print paper free of duty. The ambassador was reminded that German exporters could not show that their claim was just. It was thought at first that this was sufficient, but it now appears that the ambassador's statement is virtually a renewed protest against the failure of the administration diplomatically instead of judicially.

### SUN YAT SEN ACCEPTS PRESIDENCY OF REPUBLIC

(Continued from page 1)

not prevent the representatives of the state department in China from doing the business with the provisional republic to the extent of safeguarding American lives and property.

State department officials have all along been expecting that Dr. Sun Yat Sen would be proclaimed provisional president of China soon after he landed at Shanghai. The point of interest at present is whether Wu Ting Fang, who has been acting as the mouth-piece of the revolutionists, is prepared to recognize Dr. Sun Yat Sen in this capacity. Assuming that he will do so, the installation of the new provisional president at Nanking probably will bring to a crisis the peace negotiations which have been in progress at Shanghai between Tang Shao Yi, representing Yuan Shi Kai, and Dr. Wu, representing the revolutionists on the other. It is assumed that Dr. Wu's instructions are to reject the last offer of the imperialists to allow a national assembly to decide the form of permanent government of China. Nothing less than the immediate recognition of the new republic is likely to be accepted.

### PASSION STRONG IN DEATH.

It is told of a newspaper publisher who was approaching his latter end that when the doctor felt of his pulse and said, sotto voce, "His circulation is fast declining," the dying man rallied long enough to exclaim: "It is a lie. We printed 100,000 copies of our last number, and I can prove it."

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Cablegrams will be accepted under the same conditions for Bermuda, Turks Island and Jamaica, via Halifax-Bermuda Cable Company, for Fanning Island, New Zealand and Australia via the British Pacific Cable Board.

### PUTS NATION IN FALSE ATTITUDE

Roosevelt Writes on General Arbitration Treaties—Denounces Hypocrisy

New York, Dec. 29.—An editorial entitled "Russian Treaty: Arbitration and Hypocrisy," appears in the Outlook written by Theodore Roosevelt. Its closing paragraphs are:

"I believe that we are right in abrogating the Russian treaty, just because I also believe that the general arbitration treaties are not worth the paper on which they are written. The point upon which I insist, is that this nation should behave without hypocrisy and with straight forward sincerity in its international relations; that it should not lie nor make promises which it would not keep. I do not question the honesty and sincerity of the many good people who, without sufficient thought and in response to a vague general sentiment in favor of both peace and justice, which fails to realize sometimes that peace can be obtained only by jus-

tee, have advocated both the universal arbitration treaties and the abrogation of the Russian treaty.

"But when the nation, through its government, acts, it can not plead the excuse of lack of thought. If, as a people, our action is insincere and lacking straightforwardness then when this action has been taken, we can not escape the charge of hypocrisy when later we cease to live up to our promises.

"It is arrant hypocrisy for this nation to support the unamended arbitration treaties at the same time that we abrogate the Russian treaty, and to do so is to put this nation in a thoroughly false and discreditable attitude. Hypocrisy is as revolting in a nation as in a man, and in the long run, I do not believe that it pays either in man or nation."

### MINING PERILS.

The new President of the Manchester Geological and Mining Society, George B. Harrison, Inspector of Mines, at the monthly meeting recently called attention to the number of accidents in mines caused by fall of earth. Persons not directly connected

with mining, thought, he said, its greatest risks were from explosions, foundations, fires underground, accidents during transit in shafts—accidents which took a heavy toll in lives by one single stroke, and were there- by vividly impressed on the attention of the public. Dreadful and deplorable as such accidents were, the number of lives lost by other accidents in mines was much larger.

The actual number of lives lost underground since the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872, came into force—that was, for the 38 years ended with 1910—was 4,305 by explosion of firedamp or coal dust, 18,161 by falls of ground, 2,602 by accidents in shafts, and 9,595 due to miscellaneous causes total, 37,666. It would be seen that the lives lost by falls of ground were over 48 per cent. of the total, while those lost by explosion were only 16.7 per cent., or nearly three lives lost by fall of ground to each one lost by explosion. The year 1910 included 344 lives lost by the Hulton explosion, 136 by the Whitehaven explosion, and 21 at other places, a terrible total of 501 lives lost by explosions, yet in that same year the deaths from falls of ground amounted to 636. The total



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And then an inspiration came to the anguished youth. "The universal language," he cried, "I'll try, forsooth!" He kissed the demure maiden and pressed her to his breast. She understood that language, and—you can guess the rest.

#### A THICK FOG.

Some ancient mariners were sitting in a seaport tavern relating their experiences of fog.


"Ah!" said one old salt. "I've seen some pretty thick fogs in my time. Why, off the coast of Newfoundland the fog was sometimes so thick that we used to sit on the deck-rail and lean against it! We were sitting one night as usual, with our backs to the fog, when suddenly the fog lifted and we went flop into the sea. A bit thick, wasn't it?"

#### HANG THE SYMPATHY

A Yankee suffering from toothache went to a dentist to have the aching teeth out. The dentist pulled out a decayed tooth, and was then asked to pull out the double tooth next to it.

"But that is a sound tooth," said the dentist. "The pain is only sympathetic."

"Yank it out, doctor. Hang such sympathy," replied the Yankee.



#### FORCE OF HABIT

She: "I've brought home some tripe for dinner."

He: "You're always thinking of something soured."

#### THE DIFFERENCE

The Archbishop of York was a great favorite with the Royal Family, and a princess upon one occasion told him he ought to marry, as a wife would be of more use to him than a dozen curates.

"But, supposing we didn't agree?" he asked.

"Well, you don't always agree with your curates, do you?"

"No; but then I can always send them away! I can't do that with a wife."

#### WON ON THE DEAL

"I thought you had sold your motor car?"

"No; I exchanged the machine for that horse over there."

"But you seem to have both the car and the horse."

"Yes; I made a contract that the purchaser was to employ me to haul the machine every time he got stuck or broke down. Finally he owed me so much that he sent the car back as part payment!"

#### DEAF AND DUMB

"They say Tony's injuries were the result of a practical joke."

"Yes. The boys told him that a big, burly fellow in the smoking-room was deaf and dumb, and Tony walked over to him with a sweet smile and told him he was a fool."

"Well?"

"The man wasn't deaf and dumb."

#### A DENSE BOOKSELLER.

A lady went into a bookseller's shop and asked for Browning.

"I haven't got it, madam," answered the bookseller. "I make a rule never to stock any books I can't understand, and I can't make head or tail of Mr. Browning. Can you?"

The customer asked for another book, without comment upon the salesman's mental limitations.

"Have you Præd, then?"

"Yes, madam," this sceptical person assured her; "I've prayed, and that doesn't help me."

#### ATHLETIC REPORTEE.

Visitor: "Oh, I think Lady Gertrude is so very clever at repartee, you know."

Mrs. Nooriche: "Oh, indeed? Well, I'm thinking of aving the girls taught too. I'm a great believer in these athletic games for ladies."

#### DAD APPEARED.

Laura: "Oh, papa, hide behind the door! Charlie is coming, and he'll be so surprised at finding you here."

Charlie: "Oh, I say, Laura, I've been down to the station after your blooming old dad, and got left. The old idiot missed the train."

Laura's father: "Oh, no, I didn't!"

Tableau.

#### ALL SICK ANYWAY.

Gunner: "There goes old Skluem, the lawyer. He draws up a great wills and has a great many patients."

Guyer: "Patients? You must be thinking about a doctor. Lawyers have clients; patients are sick people."

Junner: "Well, all his patrons are sick before he gets through with them."

A man may accomplish a lot while waiting for his wife, who is going to be ready in just a minute.

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## DISAPPEARANCE OF DOROTHY ARNOLD

Mystery in Real Life Outclasses Plot of Sensational Novel

A year ago—to be exact, on the 12th December, 1910—Dorothy Arnold walked out of her father's luxurious home, at No. 108 East 79th street, New York, and disappeared as completely within two hours as if the earth had swallowed her up.

It seems almost incredible that in a city like New York, which is believed to possess facilities for the elucidation of mysteries and the detection of crime second to none in the world, and in this case aided by all the resources of great wealth behind the investigators, not a ray of genuine light has been shed on the mystery.

Kidnapping, murder, suicide have each been advanced in turn and followed up, relentlessly only for the keenest sleuths to subside and leave the dominant net of mystery the most conspicuous figure in the strange case. Probably no case of disappearance has been the cause of the expenditure of so vast an amount of money as has been spent in the attempt to trace the whereabouts of the fate of this missing girl.

Men with well-founded reputations as real detectives exerted all their skill and resources on this case and retired baffled. Hundreds of amateurs in the detective line, stumbling on stray clues, worked on them or reported them up, relentlessly only for the keenest sleuths to subside and leave the dominant net of mystery the most conspicuous figure in the strange case. Probably no case of disappearance has been the cause of the expenditure of so vast an amount of money as has been spent in the attempt to trace the whereabouts of the fate of this missing girl.

Apparently in the height of youthful health, the girl left her father's house shortly before noon on that day of December last year—ostensibly bound on a simple shopping errand. Her movements were traced afterward to the Park & Tilford's store on Fifth avenue, near 59th street, where she bought a box of candy. An hour later she had been in Brentano's book store, thirty blocks down Fifth Ave., where she bought a light novel, and came epigramatically from that moment she disappeared. Detectives discounted the theory of suicide in the face of the two purchases she made.

Murder and kidnapping they likewise discarded as theories because of the impossibility of such things in crowded Fifth avenue on a winter's afternoon, and her family were quick to assert, once the case had been made public, that she had never been a girl that was interested in other parts of the city. She did not care for settlement work, said Francis R. Arnold, her father. She was not the kind of a girl to go sight-seeing in the slums. Her interests were all among the young people of her own set, whose activities centred around their homes and their shops along Fifth avenue. She was not even interested in the stage, and was only a casual theatregoer. That was the negative description offered by her family. Their explanations seemed to pin the entire case to the limits of Fifth avenue.

On the night of January 25, 1911, her father decided that he would allow the story of Dorothy Arnold's disappearance to be made public. Up to that time not a line of what then became the story of the day had been printed in any newspaper. The family had instituted a search that made use of the services of half a hundred detectives, the ramifications of which spread out all over to the United States and Europe but everything had been conducted with absolute secrecy. His personal inclination, her father stated at the time, had been to keep the terrible secret within the family forever. With lavish expenditure he had convinced himself that every possible clue had been traced down, that everything that could be done had been done, and that nothing was to be gained through an appeal to publicity.

Through the persuasions of his attorneys and members of the family, however, he was induced to believe that if he never found his daughter, and did not make the final effort to locate her by the publicity, he would never feel satisfied that he had done the utmost possible thing, and so he reluctantly gave his consent to the publication of the story.

Frank Garvan, formerly an assistant district attorney and then a member of the law firm of Garvan & Armstrong, gave the story to the New York morning newspapers on Christmas night, which was a Sunday. He told them of what had been done by the family—and the detectives up to that time, mentioned that the missing girl was a niece of the late Supreme

Court Justice Peckham, and furnished pictures of Miss Arnold.

Pictures and stories were spread broadcast the next morning through the newspapers, and the search began all over again. With the advent of the newspapers, point after point in this remarkable case developed, in spite of the efforts of the family to keep them concealed. Every fresh development unearthed by the press was at first labelled false by the family and its legal representatives, and after the substantiation had been produced reluctantly admitted as truth by the same persons.

Mrs. Arnold, the mother, was resting in a quiet winter resort near New York when the story given to the newspapers at first. John W. Arnold, the eldest son, was said to be in New York city. Investigation showed that both were in Europe, whether they had gone for the express purpose of interviewing George S. Griscom, Jr., of Pittsburg. The family had made a thorough investigation and ascertained that the missing girl had had no love affairs, the lawyers told the press, and within a few days it was discovered that she had been carrying on a clandestine correspondence with Griscom.

Mrs. Arnold and her son returned from Europe, and declared they knew nothing of Griscom, and even that the son had gone to Europe before his sister disappeared. Both points were discovered to be misstatements of fact, and within a few more days the European correspondents cabled a sensational story of the interview between the Arnolds and Griscom in a hotel in Florence, Italy, where John W. Arnold had ended the stormy conference by thrashing Griscom soundly.

Each and every point was denied, debated and finally admitted by the representatives of the Arnolds, until some weeks later, on February 9, when Griscom returned from Europe, and half a hundred reporters went down the Bay to meet him.

Griscom's appearance brought into the mysterious and possible tragic case the first and only note of comedy. He proved to be a bachelor of forty-two years, who was travelling in close and confiding affiliation with his masterful father and mother, apparently relying on them for advice in the crisis which he saw was coming his way with the advent of the newspaper men.

The mystery remains as deep in the closing days of this year as it was when first made public.

### IDEAS OF A PLAIN MAN

BY DR. FRANK CRANE

Let us give thanks for Bad Weather. It is when it rains all day, when the sun never sets, but the clouds merely grow paler or darker, and the roads are like pea-soup, and the roof mutters hour by hour, and the trees bend and groan and twist and shake their wet locks, and the grass is soaking, and the walks are too grimy to invite any kind of excursion; or it is when the snow drifts before the door, and the ways and streets



are blocked with it, so that all moving about of human beings becomes a penitential pilgrimage; or when the harsh wind blows, whines in the chimney, saws and creaks in the trees, grasps the window with both his icy hands and rattles and thumps it, bangs the shutter, and when you open the door, the blows out your candle, takes away your breath, slaps your face, flaps your coat-tails, and howls in vicious glee when you finally bar him out; it is dull days, dark days, cold days, nasty days and grey days, that challenge the Heart; so that human creatures come closer together, and eyes grow brighter as they look into eyes again, and hands clasp more warmly, and the fire crackles the defiance of Home against an unfriendly Universe.

If there were no Bad Weather there would be no Home.

### An English Chemist Has Discovered How to Grow Hair

In England the ladies have entirely abandoned wearing hats, which is due entirely to this new discovery.

It has been proven that Henna leaves contain the ingredients that will positively grow hair. That they contain this long-looked-for article is proven every day.

The Americans are now placing on the market a preparation containing the extract from Henna leaves, which is having a phenomenal sale.

This preparation is called SALVIA, and is being sold with a guarantee to cure Dandruff and to grow hair in abundance. Being daintily perfumed, SALVIA makes a most pleasant hair dressing. Campbell, your druggist, is the first to import this preparation into Victoria, and a large, generous bottle can be purchased for 50c.

# Esquimalt Waterworks Company

Advertisement Paid for at Current Rate

The Esquimalt Waterworks Company has completed its steel main from Goldstream Lakes to Victoria.	This main is to-day capable of delivering, for use in Victoria, seventeen million gallons of water every twenty-four hours.	During the period between January 1 and November 1 of this year, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company has actually delivered to the B. C. Electric Railway Company fourteen million gallons of water per day.
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The Esquimalt Waterworks Company will sell this water to the City of Victoria, in such quantities as the city may desire, and at prices far below the cost at which the city can bring water from any other source.

To construct the Sooke Lake system the addition to the indebtedness of the city will be <b>TWO MILLION DOLLARS</b> , at the very least.	We want every Taxpayer to consider and analyze figures truly and honestly representing actual conditions and showing in the next seventeen years a saving of almost <b>TWO MILLION DOLLARS</b> to be made by buying water from this company, as against installing the Sooke Lake system.	To construct the Sooke Lake system the addition to the annual tax levy of Victoria City will be \$119,000, at the very least.
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In this statement no provision is made for payment of a Sinking Fund which will cost the ratepayers about \$50,000 per annum more—an exaction from present ratepayers for the benefit of posterity.	<b>COST PER YEAR TO THE TAXPAYERS</b> For the Water Supply from Sooke Lake: (a) Interest and Discount on \$1,700,000 installation cost at 5 per cent per annum ..... \$ 85,000 (b) Interest and Discount on \$200,000 land purchase cost at 5 per cent per annum ..... 10,000 (c) Cost of maintenance of system from Sooke Lake to City Limits ..... 24,000 Annual cost ..... \$119,000	In this statement no provision is made for any work costing more than the Engineer's estimates. In nearly every case the actual cost exceeds the estimate.
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<b>17-YEAR BASIS</b> The fair method of testing a public utility system from the basis of cost to taxpayers is to provide for time of construction and fifteen years' operation. The Engineer fixes 2 years for construction, and adding the first 15 years' operation, we have a period of 17 years affecting present ratepayers.	On this 17-year-basis, multiplying the yearly cost of \$119,000 by 17, we have \$2,023,000 as the amount in taxes which the present ratepayer will have to pay for the use of Sooke Lake water.	During this 17-year term the city's use of water will raise from the minimum of 3,500,000 gallons per day to a maximum of 10,500,000 gallons per day; giving an average of 7,000,000 gallons per day for the 17-year period.
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Under the Sooke Lake project the present ratepayers will have to pay for double the quantity of water which can by any possibility be used, meaning increased taxes and a dead loss.	The estimate of cost prepared by the City's Engineer is \$1,700,000 to complete the Sooke Lake system. This is probably an underestimate, and any figures published to show a contract at a lower figure are false. The contract is being made on a piece-work basis, and not for a lump sum.	The Engineer has definitely decided that no revenue from power can be earned with the Sooke Lake system.
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Esquimalt Waterworks Company guarantees to reduce taxes \$100,000 per year for 10 years.	As against the Sooke Lake cost of not less than \$119,000 per year, and a Sinking Fund cost of \$40,000 per year, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company will sell to the city ten million gallons of water per day for a ten-year term for \$50,000 per year, delivered in the City. This will effect a saving of \$100,000 per year to the Taxpayer when the Sinking Fund is taken into account. It will effect a saving of \$80,000 per year over the lowest figures claimed on behalf of the Sooke Lake system.	Esquimalt Waterworks Company guarantees the city a saving of \$100,000 per year for 10 years.
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In buying water from the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, the taxpayers have three direct advantages: (a) There is no loss of interest on money during years of construction; (b) The water supply is within the city limits now;	Believing that the taxpayers have never yet understood the enormous increase of taxation into which they are being railroaded by accepting the Sooke Lake scheme, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company is publishing this advertisement. The figures are correct. We invite answer, analysis and criticism, for we are sure that the more publicity is given, the more we will be proved to be absolutely right.	To bring water from Sooke Lake will subject the taxpayers to the following losses: (a) Loss of interest during construction; (b) Cost of operating Elk Lake system during construction; (c) Annual tax loss of \$100,000, at the least; (d) Cost of difficulties of construction discoverable only by actual work.
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We ask the Taxpayers of Victoria to give fair and impartial consideration to the facts above set forth.

# Esquimalt Waterworks Company

JOHN R. SAUNDERS, Secretary

### A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Or the Broken Fiddle and the Handy Duck



**HARD TO BEAT.**  
Yankee: "I was once the owner of a canary that sang 'Home Sweet Home,' with such emotion that the tears came out of its eyes and filled the cage, and it was drowned!"  
"Oh!" said the Englishman. "I had one that sang 'The Village Blacksmith' so real that the sparks came out of its mouth and eyes and set the cage on fire, and it burnt itself to death!"

**NEIGHBORS AT HOME.**  
"Well, I never!"  
"What's the matter, my dear?"  
"Why, cook says that those people who live in that insignificant little house opposite came over here while we were away and were photographed sitting on our veranda!"

**FOR LIFE AND LONGER.**  
Judge: "The sentence of the Court is that the prisoner be confined in prison the remainder of his natural life."  
Prisoner: "But, my lord—"  
Judge: "Not another word, sir, or I'll give you four years more."

**DIDN'T UNDERSTAND.**  
A countryman was in a station. He put a nickel in a machine bearing the inscription, "Pull the handle with a jerk." After the man had put the nickel in the slot he began looking all over the machine.  
A porter passing at the time said "Hallo! Won't the machine work?"  
"I dunno," said the countryman. "It says 'pull the handle with a jerk.' But where's the jerk to pull it with?"

**A DISAPPOINTMENT.**  
Many witty letter-writers have made effective points by starting a sentence on one side of the paper and finishing on the other. One celebrity always replied to letters asking for subscriptions in this way: "Sir, I feel highly honoured by the application you have made to me, and I beg to subscribe"—here the reader had to turn the leaf—"myself your obedient servant," etc.

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PHONO-VOCAL METHOD IN TEACHING MUSIC

Voice of Master Assists in Impartation of Correct Vocal Execution

The most striking marvels of modern science do not always prove an un-mixed blessing to humanity. Amongst these may be counted the gramophone. It contains a power which would be un-usable, even stupefying, to those who do not live in an age of wireless tele-graphy, motor cars, and other marvels; a machine which can talk and sing and laugh to you. But, the marvel once accepted, it is discovered that in-vention has its drawbacks. A next-door neighbor with a metallic-lunged gramophone may become the greatest burden in life. And there is no doubt that to many people the talking ma-chine, phonograph, or gramophone, call it what you will, represents the last word in Philistinism, the lowest depth of artistic insensibility. To confess the possession of a gramophone to some sensitive people would be to forfeit their regard for ever.

What, then, shall be said of the pro-posal, coming from a serious source, to utilize the gramophone as a means of securing eminence in that difficult art, singing, as a means of climbing the steep ladder which leads to success in opera or in the concert platform? It is from Mr. Hermann Klein—a pupil of the famous Manuel Garcia, and for 29 years past a well-known musical critic and teacher of singing—that the idea of cultivating the voice by the gramo- phone comes, and he intends very shortly to put it into practice. He calls his idea the "Phono-vocal" method, and has been busy working out for six weeks. By this means, he claims, the best voices and teachers will be brought to the reach of everybody who can afford to purchase gramophone records. The machines will help vocal study in ways never before attempted in the art of singing. The voice of one master is supplemented by the tuition possibly of a recognized teacher—will be at the disposal of thousands of pupils at a time. It will be the democratization, in fact, of what is at present a very ex-pensive study.

SATURDAY SPECIALS AT THE COMMONWEALTH



NOTICE—After January 1st, 1912, all old Hats left in our store and not claimed within 10 days will be destroyed.

START the new year right by arraying yourself in up-to-date attire. End the old year right by saving money. You can do both at our store to-morrow.

We are offering as a New Year's snap 100 SUITS in fine English worsteds, Scotch and Irish tweeds and chevots, also 50 OVERCOATS in Carr's melton, English tweeds, chevots and worsteds, in all styles to suit every fancy

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point in breathing is at once cleared up, grace notes, trills, word accents, phrasing, breath, stress and color of tones are ready to hand in the gramo- phone.

"The lessons you take from the sus-tained tones, scales and arpeggios on which Garcia based the groundwork of his famous teaching, and so on through exercises which become more and more advanced, to oratorio pieces by Handel and Mendelssohn and opera selections from Mozart's "Figaro," Gluck's "Orpheus," and other master-pieces, accompanying the records, is a very part of the tuition in detail. This will help the student to a better un-derstanding of the records, which can be played over and over again till they really sing into the listener some-thing of the soul beneath."

confronting himself to be a danger to society, asked that the state should take charge of him; in other words, that he should be locked up. The judge sentenced him to the state hospital for dyspepsia.

ROMAN CATHOLIC HOPE FOR UNITY

Cardinal Expresses Desire for Restoration of England to Catholic Faith

Cardinal Bourne took possession of his titular church of St. Pudentiana in Rome on December 4, on which occasion he delivered an address. After pointing out that his predecessor, the first Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Wiseman, was like himself a pupil of St. Pudentiana, he referred to the sacredness of the shrine where they stood. The house of Pudens, who was the friend and generous host of Peter, the husband of Claudia, of British princely race, father of Praxedes and Pudentiana, marked, perhaps, the first link binding Britain to the Holy See, that gave, to them, as the centuries passed on, the unity of faith which was a bond together into one people the various races that successively came thronging upon British shores.

English Catholics." For a thousand years these terms were practically synonymous, and identical in their extension. And if to-day we have with sorrow to divide our country into those that are "of the household of Faith," and those whom we affectionately but sadly term "our separated brethren," the fault is not with us, but lies to the charge of the men who more than three hundred years ago snatched the chain that began to be forged in the house of Cornelius Pudens. The minds of many at home are turned with ardent longing to thoughts of knitting afresh the bonds which were broken then. But for the most part they are seeking their end where it can never be found, namely, in a compromise of religious truth.

Norman, or English blood soon restore to our Blessed Lady her dowry in un-sullied beauty, and grant to our be-loved England once again her full and proper place in the one true Church of Jesus Christ, the Holy Catholic Apostolic and Roman Church.

ANTS' IRRISISTIBLE MARCH.

Eye-witnesses of the marches which ants make aver that when they come to an obstacle they go through it, or over it, or take it with them. They march as tight as a Roman road. Human occupants fly when an ant army takes its way through a house occurring on its line of march. The legions pass on and destroy nothing but such as will serve as food, but after they have gone not a beetle, a scorpion, a rat, or a mouse, or an insect of a reptile of any size, shape or name, remains. All have been eaten by the army. It is on record that one of these moving companies was ob-structed in its passage by an elephant. It took the army eight hours to pass that spot, and then there remained nothing but the picked bones of the elephant.

Mrs. Justwed makes a few Christmas suggestions

WHETHER it was ordained by Fate or brought about by the contrariness of things in general, Mrs. Justwed does not know. To explain why Mr. J. should suddenly have found what she was doing more interesting than his evening paper was and always will be a perplexing enigma. Ordinarily, after dinner Homer-dear sank into his easy chair by the living-room table, opened his paper and was dead and buried, to all outward appear-ances, for at least an hour. Verily, the entire household might have tum-bled down about his ears and not have disturbed him so long as the lamp was not jostled and the plaster fell only around him.

"Well I should say so—some list," returned Homer-dear, for the paper upon which Mrs. J. was "figur-ing" was nearly as long as this page. "What is it? Not the grocer?" "Christmas presents," vouchsafed Mrs. J. laconically.

"Well, you see," parried Mrs. J., a trifle disconcerted, "because—have it your way for I know exactly what you are going to say—because they are afraid I will send them something, so there!"

"It's no more laughable than the way you men take turns buying the drinks and wait until every man in the crowd has bought before you leave—ha-ha-ha!" retorted Mrs. J.

"No," suggested Mrs. J., "you leave that for your wives to do for you! Mr. Justwed sought refuge in fur-ther pursuit of the list.

"Hu-m-m-m," mused Mr. J. "Hu-m-m-m—nice of Mommer, isn't it?" "Why, Homer, don't you like it?" "Yes—yes—to be sure, Blossom."



YOUNG AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE BEING WELCOMED UPON LANDING FROM THE STEAMER YESTERDAY.

### POST OFFICE IS UNDER-MANNED

### CHRISTMAS SEASON TAXES RESOURCES

### Delays Bound to Occur Until Government Does Duty and Increases Staff

The post office officials are struggling along manfully, without remuneration for the overtime they have to put in and without sufficient assistance, to cope with a volume of postal business which is estimated to be between thirty and forty per cent greater than that of last year. The incoming mails continue to bring in great masses of letters and parcels from the old country which pile up, with the eastern and southern mails, in almost overwhelming fashion.

The consequence is some delay in the sorting and delivery of mail matter and the practical eclipse for the time of the newspaper mail. As is always the case when there is a large influx of letters and parcels, the newspapers are held to one side until there is time to attend to them.

The letter-carriers have been turning in and helping with the sorting after their rounds are over. Christmas Day, while there were only one delivery, though a very heavy one, the staff spent a great many more hours in the building than the public has any idea of, in the effort to keep abreast of the incoming stocks of mail as far as possible and not let the available reach proportions which would submerge them.

There have been several complaints of delay, which are well-founded so far as the existence of such a great mass of mail is concerned, but the blame should be placed where it belongs, at the department at Ottawa and not on the postmaster or his staff here. There is no doubt that if the late government were yet in office and had not taken the precaution to employ enough extra help in the post office there would be a roar from the morning contemporary and every Conservative in town. But since Hon. L. P. Pelletier took over the department there has not been as much as a chirp even from those who were constant "rickets" in the past.

The staff of the Victoria post office is much too small for the present business done, and in the case of such a special rush of mail as occurs at this season it is nearly helpless. Meanwhile, the public must suffer from the unavoidable delay thus occasioned, but growing at the hard-working officials who are being overworked to keep up with the tide instead of at the government which fails to meet the necessities of the case, and to the best member who fails to secure action from the department.

### CORONA CLUB HELD ITS ANNUAL BANQUET

### Very Enjoyable Event Last Evening—Good Speeches and Excellent Programme

The third annual banquet of the Corona Club was held at the Corona boarding house last evening, at which about 60 guests and members of the club were present. The dining room was brilliantly decorated with colored electric lights and festoons of flowers tastefully arranged.

Dr. Ansley, the vice-president of the club, presided over the company at dinner as well as after. The dinner itself was a huge success, the fourteen courses being done full justice to. It reflected the highest credit on Mrs. Roach and Miss Tallis, the popular ladies of the house, who personally superintended this part of the programme.

Dinner being over, the chairman proposed the toast of "The King," which was heartily responded to, the whole company rising and singing "God Save the King." George Bally next proposed "Our Guests," extending a very hearty welcome to the guests of the evening. Mr. Baxter responded to this toast in a very humorous style. The toast of "British Columbia Our Province," in a few well-chosen words, and J. Jay, the popular president of the club, proposed "The Ladies." To Wm. Galt fell the honor of proposing the toast, "Our Hostess" (Mrs. Roach), who was accorded musical honors. The toast of "Our Club" was in the able hands of Donald Muir, the hardworking secretary, who outlined briefly the purposes for which the club was founded.

Songs interspersed the toasts, and an excellent harmonic treat was given those present. Mr. Kautzman's rendering of "Perfect Day" being especially good, as was also Mr. Griffith's "Thurs." and Wm. Galt's patriotic selection, "Nielsen," all of which were deservedly enjoyed.

Other persons who participated in making the evening's entertainment a success were Messrs. F. Bissell, C. Surphill and Wm. Fraser. Heartily votes of thanks were accorded Mrs. Bissell and Mrs. Kautzman for their splendid accompaniments, to the chairman and to Mrs. Roach, Miss Tallis and Miss Roach, not only for their good work that evening, but for their general endeavors at all times to make the Corona a home from home. With the singing of "The Maple Leaf" and "Auld Lang Syne," the party broke up about midnight after a most enjoyable evening.

The committee who managed the affair was composed of Messrs. J. Jay, D. Ansley, D. Muir, C. Surphill, W. Fraser and E. J. Down.

Algy rested on his ears and gazed into the beautiful eyes of his companion, the "darling," he cried ecstatically. "I love you. Will you marry me?" She dropped her eyes and gave a blush, then she replied in a fluttering, fluttering voice: "This is so sudden, Algy. Give me a little while to think it over." "Certainly," he said, resuming his rowing landward, "but go—do you mind if I give it to you on these boards? This costs a dollar a hour."

## RECORD BREAKING BARGAINS Will be the Order of the Day at the VICTORIA BARGAIN CLOTHING HOUSE

Entire \$35,000 stock of seasonable Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Shoes, Trunks, Suit Cases, etc. \$11,500 must be realized at all hazards, no matter how great a loss we sustain. A whole fortune is now being swept away in order to meet the emergency. The wonderful bargains offered here are almost beyond belief. No sale of such gigantic proportions, with its multitude of supreme bargains ever equalled it before in the past history of Victoria. Read every item mentioned here carefully, then be here when the doors open at 9 a.m., and marvel at the purchasing power of your hard-earned dollars.

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- 25c HOSE SUPPORTERS, including Boston make, now ..... 5c
- MEN'S FURNISHINGS SLAUGHTERED**
- 15c Sox. Forced price ..... 5c
- Men's Shirts, prices \$1 and \$1.25. Sale price 65c and ..... 35c
- Men's Shirts, white and fancy patterns. Prices \$1.50 and \$1.75. Sale price ..... 85c
- Ties, worth 35c and 50c. Sale price ..... 15c
- Men's Wool Sox, worth 50c. Sale price ..... 20c
- Suspenders, worth 25c and 35c. Now ..... 10c
- Men's Fancy Hose, all colors. Worth to 35c. Now ..... 15c
- Gloves, 50c values. Now ..... 15c
- MEN'S PANTS SACRIFICED**
- Men's Pants, worth up to \$2. Sale price ..... 85c
- Men's Pants, in grey stripes and plain colors. Regular prices \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50. Sale price per pair ..... \$1.45
- Men's Pure Worsted Trousers, worth \$4 and \$5. Made of the costliest worsteds, fancy stripes and checks. Forced price ..... \$2.45
- Men's Suits and Overcoats for business wear, that always sell for \$7.50 to \$10. Sale price \$3.45

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### S. P. C. A. Case in Police Court Dismissed—Sore Shoulders Heal With Horse at Work

Veterinary Surgeons Tolmie, Richards and Riddell were all of the opinion in giving evidence in the police court that it is better for a horse suffering with a wound on the shoulder to be worked with a collar while the sore is healing, than to be left in the stable and the healing allowed to take place with the horse inactive.

The opinions were given in connection with a charge laid against Richard Corbett, a horse owner and partner of Dr. Richards, veterinary surgeon. Corbett was charged with cruelly using a horse while the animal was suffering from a sore shoulder, the wound being, from the evidence of the prosecution, 5 1/2 by 2 1/2 inches. The prosecution was launched by J. J. Russell, officer of the S. P. C. A. He and Constable Ireland were the witnesses for the defence and said on December 12 they saw the horse, which was one of a team of three hauling gravel, working with a sore shoulder. The wound was such that the horse objected to start and was evidently suffering pain.

The veterinary surgeons who gave evidence for the defence were of the opinion that a sore such as described, if properly treated would heal better with the horse at work than at rest. They maintained that the wound would heal tougher, while if at rest the wound would heal and then break out again when the horse was put back to work, the reason being that the healed skin would not be tough enough.

### ENJOYED AUTO RIDE. Pupils of Metropolitan Sunday School Had Good Outing.

Yesterday the pupils of the Metropolitan Methodist Sunday school enjoyed an automobile ride about Victoria and its environs going as far as Oak and Cadboro Bays. There were about twenty autos and two journeys had to be made to take all of the children, of whom there were about one hundred and seventy-five. The first procession leaving about 2.30, and the final car coming in about 4.30. The first car in the long procession bore two white banners with "Metropolitan Sunday School" printed in large letters, the car being occupied by the pastor (Rev. Mr. Holling) and the superintendent (Mr. Knott).

In the evening an entertainment was provided in the school room, starting with the school song, Mr. Ritchie, and an illustrated lecture by Rev. Mr. Holling. These last were all colored, and were very artistic. A very interesting feature was the big model boat which appeared on the platform, this was entirely made by the members of the Young People's Class, and was full rigged with masts, flag, and smoke stack, just as the vessel which is to appear on the Kootenays next spring will be when she is afloat. The "Ivyl," as she has been christened, will be a mission boat, operated by the Metropolitan Churches in the province, and the man in charge of her will be a preacher. In many isolated places along the shores of the Kootenays lakes, ministers never are heard, and it is as a mission boat to bring occasional services to these little settlements that the vessel has been requisitioned. This year the scholars at the Metropolitan church, instead of giving presents to each other, gave voluntary contributions toward the working of this vessel, which is to be a floating Sunday school and church for those who are out of touch geographically with the church centres.

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4. Are you in favor of the local Union rates of wages and conditions for all trades on civic work?
5. Are you in favor of giving readjustment Union men the preference of employment on civic work?
6. Are you in favor of a system of promotion from among the civic employees consistent with ability and efficiency and in accordance with length of service?
7. Are you in favor of securing civic supplies, when possible, manufactured under union or fair conditions?
8. Are you in favor of the Municipal Council passing a by-law providing for the examination and registration of Journeymen Plumbers?
9. Are you in favor of public ownership of all public utilities?
10. Are you in favor of having all city work done by the craft to which it belongs?
11. Are you in favor of giving contracts to local concerns?
12. Are you in favor of purchasing all civic clothing supplies from local concerns, employing Union labor?

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### BANQUET TO RUGBYISTS. California and Local Players Feasted at Pacific Club Last Night.

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morning, and this afternoon saw the sights of the city from the B. C. E. R. observation car. To-night, to-morrow afternoon and evening concerts will be given, and on Sunday a tea is being arranged at the Y. M. C. A. prior to their attendance at church. A visit to Nanaimo has been considered, but no definite action had been taken upon the matter this morning. The Lieut.-Governor's reception is set for Monday afternoon, with a demonstration of Australian football or field ball, as it is called, during the morning, while on Tuesday a visit is to be paid to the skating rink, the boys leaving in the early hours of Wednesday for San Francisco by boat.

A pale, wan woman, on her death bed, in a weak voice spoke to her husband. "Henry, if I die, promise me one thing—'Gladly, my poor darling. What is it I am to promise?" "Promise me that you will marry Mery Simpson." "The man started. 'But,' he said, 'I thought you hated her?' 'I do, Henry,' the dying woman whispered. 'I want to get even with her.' And Henry went out to think." A nervous-looking man walked into a grocery with his baby on one arm and a kerosene can on the other, placed the can on the counter and said: "Sit there a moment, dear." Then, holding the baby up to the dazed clerk, he added, "Fill this thing up with kerosene."



# It Is A Happy New Year For Coquitlam Buyers

Lots in our Greenwood subdivision that we sold for \$300 are now selling for \$500. Lots that we sold for \$700 in Shaughnessy are now selling for \$1100. Premiums of \$500 have been offered for \$1000 new business centre lots in First Division.

If business is dull in real estate, nothing is known about it at Coquitlam. If you are handling or buying lots and are not making a success, it is simply because you are in wrong. It is no use fighting against progress, bucking the stream or trying to stop the crowd. Get in right. Get in Coquitlam. If you are in the real estate business and want to sell what is selling, sell Coquitlam. If you are a real estate investor and want to buy what is cheap, with plenty of room and with every reason for advance, buy in Coquitlam. Don't knock Coquitlam just because you are not in Coquitlam, but get into Coquitlam at once. The longer you knock the longer you will be keeping yourself from investigating the best real estate investment on the Vancouver Peninsula to-day. But remember, the right way to get into Coquitlam is through us.

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**Second Division**, which includes the bulk of the townsite property on the north side of the terminals, will not be on sale for some time yet. Price lists will be revised and prices increased immediately after the first of the year. So far no advances have been made. Buy now and you can do as well as if you have bought two months ago.

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### SKIRMISH STARTS ON THE OUTSKIRTS

#### OAKLANDS ELECTORS HAVE OPENED FIGHT

Claim They Have Been Neglected and Want Two Aldermanic Seats

The first gun in the municipal contest near at hand has been fired, but evidently the candidates for municipal honors have not yet dished on their war-paint, because none was on hand to smell the powder. The initial movement was made in Ward 3 last evening when a large and enthusiastic meeting was held in the fire hall, at Oaklands.

J. N. Campbell was voted to the chair and others participated in the proceedings. Strong criticism was passed upon the various candidates for their neglect to attend the meeting and they were charged with grave discourtesy in ignoring the occasion, although it had been duly advertised.

The electors themselves, however, took advantage of the opportunity to express their entire dissatisfaction with the treatment that has been meted out to them by the city council in the matter of improvements. The general feeling was that steps should be taken to sever connection with the City of Victoria and to join forces with Oak Bay municipality, although definite action was deferred till next week.

Statistics were laid before the meeting showing that the Oaklands district had paid large sums into the city coffers, the whole of which had been spent in improvements in other parts of the city. A number of electors testified to having waited upon the responsible authorities for redress but no attention whatever had been given. Aldermen Fullerton and Gleason were singled out for very caustic mention and were accused of having betrayed the trust of their constituents. The meeting decided to go after the scalps of these two aldermen and determined efforts to

Oaklands people say, will be made to defeat them at the polls.

A strong permanent committee was appointed to vigilantly watch the interests of the residents in the Oaklands district and avert, if possible, the pestilence that threatens if the existing insanitary conditions are allowed to remain.



**MAYOR TO COLONIST.**

To the Editor.—Referring to the leading editorial in this morning's Colonist, permit me to say the mayor has at no time laid claim to originating the Greater Victoria idea.

Granting, for the sake of argument, the claim of the Colonist to having done so to be correct, then why has the Colonist systematically opposed its own idea from the time the mayor sought to put it into effect?

The mayor regrets exceedingly that he should on so many occasions, as on the present, have the misfortune to exert such a malign influence over the august "we" of the Colonist as to result in such an exhibition of editorial rables as appears in this morning's issue.

A. J. MORLEY,  
Mayor.

**VICTORIA WEST DISTURBANCE.**

To the Editor.—With your permission, I desire to place before a jury composed of your readers my account, which is somewhat at variance with your report of the 22nd, headed, "Socialist Leader's Son Disturbed Church and Paid Five Dollars."

In the first place, if the Times can find any Socialist who countenances me as a leader, then, indeed, is it entitled to all the credit of the discovery, for there is no such being in existence anywhere as a Socialist leader.

In coming to the defence of my own boy I am also trying to sustain the good name of at least a dozen families in Victoria West, whose sons were present on this occasion, and I want to state emphatically that neither they nor I would in the slightest degree countenance the disturbing of any body of people gathered together for church service. Furthermore, let me point out that no charge to this effect was laid by the police, the complaint being, "Screaming on Catherine street." Neither was any evidence laid before the court by any one in the church at the service, nor was any complaint made by any one; in fact, the church

know nothing at all about the matter until after your report appeared.

The only evidence produced to show that the peace had been disturbed was that of the policeman. It is new to me that the evidence of one person, paid evidence at that, is sufficient to convict under British law, for I have always been of the impression that corroborative evidence is necessary. He swore that at a distance of a hundred yards on a dark night he could tell which one of a dozen boys emitted the scream that broke the peace in pieces. Perhaps the temporary magistrate, in his rashness on the job, is not to be blamed for deeming he had a paragon in such a witness and considered corroborative evidence unnecessary.

GEORGE OLIVER,  
215 Edward St., Dec. 29, 1911.

#### SOOKE LAKE CONTRACT.

To the Editor.—If we are to have an intelligent vote on the Sooke Lake contract, would it not be a good idea to have the contract itself published in the daily papers so we can judge for ourselves what is really in it? Some people rather object to shut their eyes and open their mouths and swallow anything that may be fed to them. They prefer to see what they are swallowing.

When the tenders for the Sooke scheme were opened one of the city papers reported the Westholme Lumber Company's tender as being \$2,000,000. Now it is stated that the tender of this firm has been accepted and that it is for \$1,169,000. Which report is correct?

Can you tell us, also, if the contract mentions the specific sum of \$1,169,000, or is that sum only the estimated amount arrived at by some one who has been doing some fancy figuring over the contract? If the latter is the case, then can you tell us who did the figuring?

Does Mr. Meredith say that the figures given will cover the entire cost of the scheme?

Those who are in authority over us will find that it does not pay in the end to attempt to humbug the people or to conceal from them any part of the truth concerning any matter in which the taxpayers are vitally interested.

And the statements given out that the cost of bringing the water from Sooke Lake will be only \$1,169,000 has so me very much the appearance of just that kind of thing. H. S.

There may be people who are beneath flattery, but did you ever see any one who was above it?

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**PASSING OF THE OMNIBUS DRIVER**

Character Sketch of Familiar Figures Now Almost Out of Date

While New York is grieving over the passing of the smart-looking Hanson, London is mourning the disappearance of its historic and traditional "busses," or perhaps it may be its "bus-drivers."

The "bus driver and his rather cumbersome, but on the whole sociable and delightful vehicle, has had to succumb to the combined influence of the essentially modern taxi and tube. It is told with a touch of pathos that in central London there are yards that are full of busses that will never trundle along London streets again. And in the horse repositories are now hundreds of "bus horses" that will never drag their load, perhaps never again hear "Hurry!"—which means "Higher up!"—but are to be dispersed, "fresh out of work" among "jobmasters, parcel carriers, tradesmen and others."

Both busses and horses are pathetic for they have the pathos which attaches to all passing things. But more pathetic than either—because he is not only human, but an old friend—is the "bus driver who is passing with them, who will never again mount his perch or cry "Lippostree!" and when an old friend is passing some tribute is his due.

He was not only friend, but philosopher; and how he came to be a philosopher is not difficult to understand. Both his attitude and his attitude were favorable to the practice of philosophy. He had all a cobbler's leisure for self-communion, with the advantage over the cobbler of being more in touch with realities and his fellow humans. From his perch he daily passed a whole world in review, noted all the comedy of the pavements, and got into the habit of summing up a sudden situation—a street row, a curious crowd, the rights and wrongs of an accident—and all the oddities of chance and circumstance that the tide of London's streets throw up. And as the germ of all philosophies is criticism of one's fellow creatures, he the "bus driver became a philosopher mal-a-gre lui.

But he had human weaknesses that should not belong to the tried philosopher. Generations of tradition had convinced him that philosophy was expected of him, and so he tried to live up to a reputation that was hardly higher than his deserts.

His wit! There again, says one who could appreciate his qualities while not overlooking his defects, his reputation went a little before him, a dangling carrot which he could never quite catch up. He was supposed to excel in that branch of wit known as repartee, though in practice it was found that he rarely ventured beyond variations, and those rarely subtle, on the old theme of "You're another." But he spoiled him with great expectations that we angled ever for the bite of wit that was to turn the laugh against ourselves, and we humored him (and ourselves) by seeing more in his jokes than was sometimes to be found in them. We would take no denial, and he, recognizing what was expected of him, gallantly did his best to maintain the reputation of his tribe, relying on the charitable ears thrust forward from the front seat, confident of the laugh that was ready to burst out on trust, soaced in the last resort by the conviction that if his inspiration failed we should ascribe his failure to our own clumsiness in prompting him, or at the worst to our ill-luck in stumbling across one of his rare "off days."

He has been known to feign a sullen taciturnity quite contrary to his real nature rather than reveal that his wit was, as Dr. Johnson said in another connection, temporarily "out of pocket."

Yet how he loved to talk, given a sympathetic ear! For he became really solitary on his perch when his "bus had left London's central roar behind it, and was jolting and trundling through some suburban street. Then he would even turn around and take stock of you, and if the impression were favorable he would open with the weather, and then go on to talk de omnibus rebus and other things besides. And though he was not always a wit he was full of mirthful, boisterous witticisms and his tongue wagged well in a dispute.

It was his pleasant little make-believe that the London streets were only made for his "bus, and that all other vehicles—especially "buses" of a rival company, but pirate "buses, above all—were intruders, with incompetent drivers, and ought to be driven off the streets. Secure on his wide foundation, and with thirty hundredweight behind him to give him confidence in any material encounter, he would assert his autocracy of the road with a calm indifference to results, and rely on his tongue to save his face in case of defeat.

"Garn!" said the carter, who had at last pushed his way to the front and turned round to adorn his victory. "If I'd a face like yours I'd throw stones at it!" "That 'ud be because you're luck had turned yer 'ead!" "If I'd a face like that I'd go an' ang myself!" was the carman's next advance. "If I'd a face like yours" came the final word from the "bus driver, "I'd think suicide too merciful!" We may admit the irrelevancy of the conversation, and even when he was worsted he fought a rear-guard action well, as when he closed a controversy with a caddy that was not to his advantage by, "Cawn't waste my time on the likes of you. I've got animals of my own to attend to! Click, click!"

His association with his friends in the shafts and traces accounted for a certain strain of gentleness in his nature, which does not belong to the caddy or the carman, and he partook of the jog-trot fatalism and contentment of his horses. And he was a conservative, and in nothing was his conservatism better illustrated than in his contemptuous attitude to those new-comers of seven or eight years ago, who, though he did not know it and would not admit it, were at last to drive him, the autocrat of the streets, off his very own asphalt, and to make it possible for me now to write his obituary notice.

With what hilarious derision did he wave his whip in those far-off days of but a few years ago, when he passed a motor-bus empty and deserted by the kerb. With what content he re-settled himself on his box to tell the front seat, "The idea of them things working satisfactory like a pair of horses!" Yet "them things" have proved his undoing, and now he has to turn his face to the wall. For the order has gone forth that progress must throw him on the scrap-heap—and a distinct type of being, which has been with and amongst us for nearly a century is now, from the month of November, 1911, to be erased from our midst.

**WOMEN IN RUSSIA.**  
Important Positions Held by Women More Trustworthy Than Men.

Perhaps in no other country in Europe, has women's competition with men in professional, official, commercial, and general business avocations been more progressive than in Russia during the last couple of decades.

This change in woman's status is chiefly noticeable in the great provincial centres. In this city women constitute a fair moiety of the postal, telegraphic, and telephonic staffs, and in none of these services are there any sex exemptions or privileges. The women take their nightly turns of active duty with their male colleagues, with whom they are equally eligible for promotion in all grades. The clerical staffs on the Southern State railways are largely feminine, and here and there one finds a woman station-master.

M. Rikhloff, the Minister of Ways and Communications, is said to be considering the advisability of appointing women chief conductors on passenger and express trains, for the avowed reason that they are more trustworthy, conscientious, and polite than male conductors, and are never ill—the latter, he pointed into "inobriety."

Nearly one-third of the staffs in the commercial houses, official departments, banks, magazines, etc., are women, and they are in particular demanded as cashiers and for other positions of trust.

The Odessa faculty now includes some sixty lady doctors, and amongst the 400 girl students attending the ladies' higher courses, all of whom are free auditors of the university lectures, and most of them are candidates for one or another of the learned professions.

This change in the position of women in Russia is the result of the high-class education received in the ladies' lycées and senior gymnasia. But it is only in the two capitals and the chief provincial centres that the women "Intelligents," as they are described, have made such striking progress. It is an old popular saying that among the Poles the women are the more clever and intellectual of the two sexes, and their Russo-Slavousness need merely an enlarged political freedom and a fair field in other directions to prove themselves in all essential respects the intellectual equals of men.

In her ready grasp of the most knotty problems, in her natural and unaffected vivacity, spontaneous wit, humor and repartee, and in her peculiarly attractive charm of manner and conversation, the educated and enlightened Slav woman easily holds her own with her West European sisters who have inherited a much older culture.

"You've made a mistake in your paper," said the elegant man, entering the editorial sanctum. "I was one of the competitors at the athletic match yesterday, and you have called me the well known lightweight champion." "Well, aren't you?" said the editor. "No, I'm nothing of the kind, and it's confoundedly awkward, because, you see, I'm a coal man, please."

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## RECENT DISCOVERIES IN NEW GUINEA

Interesting Message to Royal Geographical Society Describes Rare Adventures

From the tropical wilds of the southern hinterland of New Guinea there comes in a message to the Royal Geographical Society the news of the discovery of a warlike tribe, armed with shields, tomahawks and eight-foot lances. The message contains one of the most thrilling accounts of adventure and peril in the search for knowledge that the later annals of exploration in the unknown places of the earth afford.

It is a story of rivers that mysteriously disappear, of fever-laden swamps, of heavy rains and dangerous rapids, brushes with natives, and a constant war with Nature in her most savage moods. The account was sent by Donald Mackay, who financed what is known as the Mackay-Little expedition. With him were William S. Little, who has plunged into the unknown wilds of this great and romantic island of the Papuans on more than one occasion; Mr. Pratt, the surveyor, and Mr. Eichorn, a collector. Trouble was met at the outset in the work of assembling the necessary stores and porters, but these initial difficulties, like many of a much more serious kind afterwards, were at last overcome, and on July 21, 1908, the stores were sent to the Purari by sea, while the porters, having been carried to the mainland in whale boats, set out for the meeting place over the land route along the coast. They were accompanied part of the way by Mr. Bell, a resident magistrate. For the first two days from Yule Island progress was fairly easy, but after that the party had to pass through low and swampy country, covered with stunted trees and mangroves. As they moved westward the native dress grew "smaller by degrees and beautifully less," and the people appeared to be of a lower type than those they had met with farther east.

The journey by land was, to say the least, not a pleasure trip, but when they embarked on the government whale boats and canoes at the limit of the Purari delta-water difficulty after difficulty dogged their movements, and every force of native and nature seemed to conspire against them. The delta lands are low and swampy, and the banks thickly screened by mangroves, pandanus, sago palms and nipa palms. Soaked to the skin by heavy tropical rains, making small and arduous headway against powerful currents, threatened with disaster in passing through the mangroves, their plight was not a happy one, but the intrepid explorers forged on. To add to their troubles, the natives were not disposed to be friendly, and communications were with difficulty established.

Sir W. Macgregor's turning-point was, however, reached at length, and here at Hiroo, a base camp was set up. A short halt was made in preparation for the continuation of the travel by land, and the porters were kept busy in making sage, of which there was a plentiful supply. The country ahead was not inviting. It was hazy in character, and Mr. Little and Mr. Pratt, who reconnoitred the ground, found that streams had a habit of suddenly diving underground. Not far from the camp they came across a precipitous gorge—which they named Hathor Gorge—that effectually stopped any advance in that direction. They therefore, retraced their steps and tried to cross to the south side of the river. Again they were checked, for the passage was by no means plain. Rafts were tried, and failed, and it was only after much thought and labor that the problem was solved by making special canoes, in which the party successfully crossed.

A start had not long been made, however, before another set-back was experienced, and the party retreated once more. This time it was severe. Mr. Mackay suffering from severe attacks. Added to this, Mr. Little found that the river split into two branches, and here again the explorers were unable to follow other streams, because those flowed underground for considerable distances. Lack of water intensified the sufferings of the party, and hostile tribes continually menaced them. Fortunately they were soon relieved of these attentions by the simple expedient of going over the heads of their assailants, who, equipped with almost insuperable difficulties, with fever and water famine, and hostile tribes, and no prospect of success in any attempt to push further south, it is not surprising that the explorers at this point decided to return. On their way back they met with a more friendly reception from the natives in the upper part of the valley, but when they reached the navigable part of the Purari they found it swollen by heavy rains. Canoes, however, were made, and the party descended to the mouth of the river, and so back to the more civilized region of the coast.

Mr. Mackay describes the natives as physically of a fine type, with well-developed limbs and chests. Their average height, he states, is probably about 5 ft. 1 in., and their color differs from that of the Delta natives. The men fit a small cylinder through the nose, from each end of which a thin spine of bone extends some inches. They wear arrow-proof bark belts, and while some use a bunch of leaves in place of a loin cloth, others wear cloth made of the inner bark of the paper mulberry. As ornaments they have earrings, armlets and necklaces, and in some cases suspend from their necks objects like a human hand, or jaw. They use stone tomahawks, and bows and arrows bone-pointed and barbed for war. For shooting pigs the point is a flat piece of bamboo nine inches long and half an inch broad in the middle. Farther west the Pia warriors, who opposed the travellers, carried big bark shields, and lances of palmwood, about eight feet long, pointed with a log bone of the casuarina, probably used for stability. Similar weapons had not been seen before by the explorers.

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### CONVICT'S WAGES TO WIFE.

Massachusetts Law Provides for Support of Prisoner's Family.

"If you will not work to support your wife and child and family of your own accord the law will compel you to do so," declared Judge Day, of the Somerville, Mass., District Court, in sentencing William T. Daley, convicted of non-support of his wife and child, to a year in jail at hard labor. Turning to his wife, who had pressed the charge of non-support against her husband, avowing that she was forced to take in washing to get food for herself and child, while "her man" spent his money in drink, the Judge continued:

"Under recently enacted laws of the Commonwealth you are entitled to your husband's wages from the State during his commitment under this charge. You will receive from the superintendent of the jail fifty cents a day. I trust that the prisoner will learn that the marriage obligation must be fulfilled."

Here's consolation for the married man: When the suffragettes gain their point and an election doesn't go his way, he can blame it on his wife.

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Two, Queen's avenue. Price, each .....\$2,100  
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ADAMS, SPAYFORD & BOTTERRILL.

Mr. Adams having withdrawn, the two remaining partners (as their lease is expiring) have decided to amalgamate with the Kirkwood Realty Co., room 318 Skayward Block, to which address they will remove on December 30, conducting the joint business under that name. Phone 3133.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act granting to the Victoria Harbor Railway Company an extension of time within which to commence and continuously and effectually proceed with the construction of its railway, and also an extension of time within which to spend fifteen per cent. of its authorized capital upon the construction of its railway.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 4th day of December, 1911.  
ROBERTSON & HEISTERMAN,  
Solicitors for the Applicants.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Electors of the Municipality of the District of Oak Bay, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the School House, Oak Bay Avenue, on the eighth day of January, 1912, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Reeve and Councillors.

The mode of nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a Poll being necessary, such Poll will be opened on the 15th day of January, 1912, at the School House, Oak Bay Avenue, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualification for Reeve shall be his being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner, in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situated within the Municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of five hundred dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise duly qualified as a voter.

The qualifications for a councillor shall be his being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner, in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situated within the Municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge, or being a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor, who has resided within the Municipality for the space of one year or more immediately preceding the nomination, and who is assessed for five hundred dollars or more on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, over and above any registered judgment or charge, or being a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor, who has resided within the Municipality for a portion of one year immediately preceding the nomination, and who, during the remainder of said year has been the owner of said land, of which he formerly was a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor and who is assessed for five hundred dollars or more on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, over and above any registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise qualified as a voter.

Given under my hand at Oak Bay, B. C., the 22nd day of December, 1911.  
(Signed) HENRY F. PULLEN,  
Returning Officer.

COURT OF REVISION OF VOTERS' LIST

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court of Revision of the Voters' List will be held in the Council Chamber, Oak Bay Avenue, on Tuesday, 2nd January, 1912, at 8 p. m.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Electors of the Municipality of the District of Oak Bay that I require the presence of the said Electors at the School House, Oak Bay Avenue, on Monday, the eighth day of January, 1912, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing three persons as members of the Board of School Trustees.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by the Public Schools Act to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District, is eligible to be elected or to serve as School Trustee.

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BUILDING BIG MILL. New Westminster, Dec. 29.—The British Columbia Lumber Company, formerly the Pacific Coast Lumber Company, is erecting a \$500,000 mill on the upper end of Lulu Island. The present headquarters of the company is at Coal Harbor, Vancouver. The new mill will be about as large as that of the Canadian Western Lumber Company at Fraser Mills.

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HYDRAULIC PLANT WILL BE OPERATED Preparations Made to Exploit Gold-Bearing Gravel Near Kitselas Hazelton, Dec. 28.—It is announced by the Guinness Miner, an authority of George W. Otterson, a prominent hydraulic expert, that a complete hydraulic plant is being shipped from Seattle for use on placer ground on Gold creek, one and a half miles from Kitselas. The plant consists of a 14-in. 4 step centrifugal pump, weighing 16 tons, to be operated by a 40-horse-power turbine water wheel of 400 horse-power capacity. This plant will deliver water sufficient to operate two 4-inch nozzles at a pressure of 240 pounds to the square inch.

NANAIMO SCHOOL BY-LAW. Nanaimo, Dec. 28.—The city council met last night in special session for the purpose of considering a by-law introduced by Ald. Shaw which calls for the raising by way of loan of a sum of money not exceeding \$50,000 for school purposes.

WILL EXTEND SYSTEM. Vancouver, Dec. 28.—The Lake Shore Telephone company, whose head office is at Summerland, B. C., where most of its capital stock is held, has sold its plant, instruments, goodwill etc., to the Okanagan Telephone company, Ltd. The Lake Shore company has exchanges at Peachland, Summerland and numerous other points, and it is the intention of the purchasing concern to extend the system up and down throughout the Okanagan Valley. The transfer will be made January 1. The plans of the purchasing company, of which Geo. H. Doble, of Vernon, B. C., is manager, have not been made public as yet. The purchase price is not divulged.

SKIDEGATE NEWS. Skidegate, Dec. 22.—Jeffrey Russ, the boy who was recently shot through the head, is now rapidly recovering. Mrs. Louisa Smith, a well known and highly respected member of this village, passed away on the 12th inst.

TENT DWELLERS AROUSED. North Vancouver, Dec. 28.—A deputation of tent-dwellers, over 50 strong, waited on the city council at its meeting to protest against the criticisms directed against themselves and their dwellings at the last meeting of the council.

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WILL BE TRIED AT SPRING ASSIZES Man Who Confessed Double Murder at Nelson Committed for Trial Nelson, Dec. 28.—Albert Balsom, who confessed the murder of Caleb A. Barton and John Le Tuel in the Manhattan saloon early on Saturday morning, was committed for trial at the spring assizes by Police Magistrate Bullock-Webster following an inquest at which the jury decided that the two men had come to their deaths from bullet wounds inflicted by some person unknown.

LADYSMITH DEBATING SOCIETY. Ladysmith, Dec. 29.—At a meeting held in the city hall a few evenings ago, a literary and debating society was formed. A library has already been started and contains a number of good books. The library will be kept up by voluntary contributions of either magazines, books or cash.

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NOTICE "Navigable Waters Protection Act." Notice is hereby given that Ludwig Hermann Loeholm and John Barnsley of Victoria, British Columbia, applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in Selkirk Waters, Victoria Arm, Victoria, B. C., being on the lands situate lying and being in the City of Victoria aforesaid, and known, numbered and described as lots thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36) Burgeside Extension of the Work Estate as shown on the map or plan filed in the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and numbered one hundred and eleven (111) and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the Registrar General of Titles in the Land Registry Office in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and that the matter of the said application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the time of the first publication of this notice in the "Canada Gazette."

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NORA LAUGHER, DECEASED. NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Nora Laughler, who died on or about the 6th November, 1911, at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, are required to send by post, prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned, solicitors herein for W. O. Wallace and Arthur Lavender, executors under the will of the said Nora Laughler, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing, and that the said executors, in writing, are required to send by post, prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned, solicitors herein for W. O. Wallace and Arthur Lavender, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or whose claim they shall not then have received notice of.

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PROPOSED MERGER OF PACKING INTERESTS. English Promoter Suggested Formation of \$923,000,000 Corporation.

The country is combined into one big corporation. His suggestion was that the stock of the Chicago packers be bought at \$200 and paid for in stock of the new company. A meeting was called in May, 1902, at which the scheme was taken up for consideration. All the packing interests were represented at the meeting.

Chicago, Dec. 29. — Lord Penruddock, an English promoter, first suggested the merger of the packing corporations with a capitalization of \$923,000,000, according to A. H. Veeder, who yesterday continued his testimony in the trial of the ten Chicago packers before Judge Carpenter in the United States district court. The English promoter visited the United States early in 1902, called on G. F. Swift and suggested a consolidation of the packing companies.

The witness then detailed the negotiations which led to the purchase by the combination of the Fowler Packing Company, G. H. Hammond & Co., the Omaha Packing Co., the St. Louis Dressed Beef Company, the Anglo-American Provision Company, and the United Dressed Beef Company. The contracts covering these transactions were read to the jury.

Objections made by counsel for the defence to evidence which the government seeks to offer regarding the opening of the Kenwood company and the Actina Trading Company halted the trial late in the afternoon and caused Judge Carpenter to excuse the jury pending legal arguments. The government contends that the Kenwood company, which was organized by the packers in 1900 and continued in business until 1905, was one of the alleged pools used to market the packers' by-products. It is alleged that the Kenwood company dealt in oleo, and the Actina Trading Company in the same period dealt in casings.

The government expects to show that the Kenwood company's profits were \$4,000,000 in one year, despite the fact that it was incorporated with a capital stock of only \$14,000. The profits of the Actina Trading Company are alleged to have been proportionately large. By making an inadequate allowance for these by-products in figuring the test cost of the animals slaughtered, the packers were enabled to keep the profits of the parent concerns within reasonable limits according to the government.

Various representatives of the packing interests attended the meetings. J. Ogden Armour did not come often, but was represented by Arthur Morgan, F. A. Valentine, or Attorney L. C. Krauthoff. Gustavus F. Swift, Louis F. Swift and Edward F. Swift represented Swift & Company, and Michael Edward Cudaby appeared for the Cudaby interests, and Edward and Ira Morris represented Morris & Company.

The New York Cotton Exchange will be closed Saturday. All other exchanges open Saturday and closed Monday. Union Pacific November net shows 16.14 per cent. earned on common against 22.31 a year ago. Northern Pacific November earnings net \$20,000 increase. Cotton in sight this week, 47,000 versus 45,776 bales. Spinners takings estimated 30,000 to 31,000.

Financial News

STOCK MARKET CLOSES STRONG. Decline in Prices Has Been Checked—London Buyer of Steel.

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE. Victoria, Dec. 29.—The local market continues active and prices are well maintained. Total sales, 18,250 shares, valued at \$1,200,000.

FIRM UNDERTONE IN WHEAT MARKET. Northwest Buyer of May—Decrease in Stock of Wheat Predicted.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Wheat had a fairly firm undertone to-day, and the Northwest was a buyer of May. Prices stiffened in the first half of the trading, but later sagged back to former levels. In absence of any important bull news, the flurry of two days ago, induced by adverse Argentine news, was, in the opinion of traders, overdone, and the market has reacted in consequence. Leaders in the Northwest are predicting an early decrease in stocks of wheat because of the light movement, but as yet receipts continue heavy at the various grain centers. Short interest said to be considerable, and any covering should put the market up.

United States banks are said to have gained over \$1,000,000 on balance during the past five days. From the standpoint of delivery, yesterday was regarded as the last business day of the year, in stock exchange circles, and trading today was naturally of a quiet order. So far, no selling of an influential character has been detected, and current depression is not considered a forerunner of any pronounced decline. Towards the close, trading was more brisk, and the market closed strong.

NEW YORK MONEY. New York, Dec. 29.—Money on call firm; 4 per cent; ruling rate, 4 per cent; closing bid, 3 1/2 per cent; offered at 3 1/2 per cent. Time loans softer; 60 days, 4 per cent; 90 days, 3 3/4 per cent; 6 months, 4 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/4 to 4 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$48.25 for 60 days, and at \$48.65 for demand. Commercial bills, \$4.82. Bar silver, 76 1/2 to 76 3/4 cents. Bonds, governments easy; railroads irregular.

GRAIN MARKETS. Chicago, Dec. 29.—Cash wheat, corn and oats, quiet. Cash wheat, unchanged; corn, 1 to 1 cent higher; oats, unchanged. Liverpool, Dec. 29.—Wheat closed 1/2 higher. Antwerp, Dec. 29.—Wheat closed 1/2 lower. Buenos Ayres, Dec. 29.—Wheat closed 1/2 lower. Liverpool, Dec. 29.—Wheat closed 1/2 lower.

WHEAT RECEIPTS. Wheat receipts in carloads follow: To-day, Year. Minneapolis, 227, 365. Duluth, 227, 365. Chicago, 18, 25. Kansas City, 24, 31. St. Louis, 5,000, 42,000.

PRIMARY MOVEMENTS. Receipts. To-day, Year. Wheat, 481,000, 460,000. Corn, 244,000, 250,000. Shipments. Wheat, 214,000, 207,000. Corn, 209,000, 288,000. Weekly Clearances. Wheat, 2,835,000. Corn, 1,231,000.

CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET. Chicago, Dec. 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; market slow, steady; beefs, \$4.50 to \$4.75; steers, \$4.25 to \$4.50; cows and heifers, \$3.75 to \$4.00.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET. New York, Dec. 29.—Cotton—Receipts, 8,712; market slow, steady; upland, 12 1/2 to 13 1/2; Egyptian, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2.

NEW YORK METALS. New York, Dec. 29.—Copper metal—spot, \$1.52; Tin—spot, \$44.00; Lead, \$4.50; Spelter, \$14.00.

NEW YORK SUGAR. New York, Dec. 29.—Raw sugar steady; Muscovado, 8 1/2 to 9 1/2; centrifugal, 9 1/2 to 10 1/2; refined sugar quiet.

TORONTO STOCKS. Bid. Ask. Amal. Asbestos, 20, 20. Do. pref., 20, 20. B. C. Packers, 20, 20.

SILVER QUOTATIONS. New York silver, 54; London silver, 25 1/2.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STOCKS. Business of Last Year Warrants New Issue of \$18,000,000, Common.

It was expected that the Canadian Pacific Railway would make application for additional capital, and this idea is confirmed by the action of the directors in authorizing the issue of \$18,000,000 of new common stock to be allotted to the present common stockholders for subscription at \$50 per share.

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## LOCAL NEWS

**W.C.T.U. Meeting.**—The W.C.T.U. had yesterday afternoon at the Mission hall, Store street, when several business matters were discussed. The attendance was small.

**Political Equality League.**—The executive committee of the Political Equality League will meet in the society's rooms this evening to discuss plans for the forthcoming year's work. The meeting will not be open to the general public, as previously announced.

**Candidates in Ward Four.**—The latest announcement in connection with the municipal campaign is that a deposition of supporters have waited on Herbert Cuthbert, the well known real estate man, and invited him to stand for Ward four, from which the present representatives are both retiring. J. H. Baber is the only candidate in the field in this ward, although the names of Angus McKenyon who formerly sat for the ward, and William Laidlaw are mentioned in connection with the vacancies. Mr. Cuthbert has not yet given his decision, but will do so in the course of a few days.

**To-night at the Methodist-Chinese Mission.**—The annual Christmas entertainment, the programme being furnished by the young men and the children of the Mission, the children from the Oriental home providing the choruses. The chair will be occupied by Rev. Mr. Hartwell, provincial superintendent, and various ministers representing the different denominations in the city will be present. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the programme, and a cordial welcome is extended to all.

**Building Permits.**—Building permits have been issued by the inspector for a five-room house on Cambridge street for \$1,800 to H. M. Cooper; for a three-story apartment house on Southgate street, designed by W. D. Orchard, which C. Cumming is to build; to Moore & Whittington for an eight-roomed house on Moss street for \$3,000, and similarly for the same

## OBITUARY RECORD

Arthur J. Burns one time champion long-distance runner of Canada, died yesterday at the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. O. S. Manning, 2855 Douglas street, after a lingering illness. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 1/2 from the residence of Mrs. Burns, 1415 Chamberlain street. The death of Mr. Burns will occasion keen regret, particularly in Athletic circles in which he was widely known throughout Canada.

The death occurred this morning of George Sanders at his residence 1249 Walnut street, this city. The deceased leaves a widow, one son, George, 2855 Douglas street, and a daughter, Mrs. Sanders, of Victoria, and a son, Mrs. Shriver, of Brandon, Man. The remains have been removed to the Hanna & Thomson parlors pending funeral arrangements.

The remains of the late Annie S. King will be removed from the Hanna & Thomson chapel on Saturday morning to the residence, 1928 Chamberlain street, from where the funeral will be held at 2 30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Warriner officiating.

The funeral of the late Edward Hirst Tinker took place this afternoon from the Hanna & Thomson chapel at 1 15, and fifteen minutes later from St. Barnabas church. The Rev. E. G. Miller officiating. The pall-bearers were: J. Lavery, A. Goodman, W. Grogan, H. Legge, A. Dunlop and F. Tesoro.

South Bay, Ont., Dec. 29.—Chief of Police Robert-McElroy, of Mattawa, was unprovokedly assaulted by Ernest Monte a farmer, when he was arrested. Monte knocked the chief unconscious with a club in the lock-up and escaped, but was recaptured. The wounded man will likely die.

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## MUCH EVIDENCE IS TAKEN AT INQUIRY

Capt. Macpherson, of Otter, and Capt. Carter, of Iroquois Examined This Morning

Two witnesses were examined this morning at the inquiry into the Iroquois-Noname collision off the Sandheads lightship on October 22. Capt. J. D. Macpherson, master of the C. P. R. steamer Otter, which was in the vicinity at the time of the accident, and Capt. Henry Carter, commander of the International Steamship Company's vessel. Much information was obtained by the court, through the hearing of the evidence of the two skippers, both in regard to the causes of the collision and also on outside points, which, although having no direct bearing on the case, are worthy of the careful consideration of the assessors.

Capt. Macpherson was the first to give evidence, and he stated that he did not actually witness the collision but that when the fog cleared away he saw the Iroquois's bow sunk into the side of the Otter. He was en route from Vancouver to the Fraser river and says that both the Iroquois and the Noname were blowing their right whistles, the former blowing one blast and the latter one prolonged and one short. When questioned by the assessors Capt. Macpherson admitted that he did not reduce the speed of his vessel when he entered the fog for two reasons, one because he wished to reach the Fraser as soon as possible and the other because when running between Point Grey and the Sandheads the steamer steamed on certain courses for various times and that if she was slowed down it might be possible they would become lost in the fog. He did not hear the bell on the Iroquois and incidentally stated that it was a very poor one.

In pursuance of the international rules when two vessels are meeting head-on, Capt. Macpherson said that each ship should port her helm. The Noname was in the right when doing this and the Iroquois, when she threw her helm to starboard committed a breach of the law. Mr. McPhillips, appearing for the Noname owners, asked the witness if he heard the signals which the Iroquois should have given when she was not under way in the fog, after she had struck the tug, and he replied that he did not. He could see about two hundred feet in the fog. Capt. Macpherson stated that if he was at sea he would not hesitate to slow down in a fog but on a coast like this, where so much of the steering was done on time, a mariner, if he became lost, could get into a confusion of steamers' whistles he would most certainly reduce speed, but with no fog signals he did not see the use.

When questioned in regard to the speed of the towboat, Capt. Macpherson stated that she might have required in order to make navigation of the water. There were peculiarities with every ship. Steamers always tried to give a towboat with a tow the right of way as she was at a disadvantage. Capt. Henry Carter, master of the Iroquois, said that when the fog settled in he was asleep and was awakened by the blowing of the fog whistle. He dressed and on opening the door of his room noticed a tug with a tow passing to starboard. His vessel was motionless then, the telegraph having run and was at "stop." The Iroquois proceeded and he returned to his room. Just then he heard a sharp whistle ahead and the telegraph rang and the danger signal, consisting of four blasts, was blown. He saw the tug and she appeared to be crossing Noname and she appeared to be crossing the Iroquois's bow. The Iroquois struck her just forward of the smokestack. At the time of the accident the ship was in charge of the chief officer.

It was a standing order on the Iroquois that the skipper should be called when the weather was thick and there was any danger. Capt. Carter gave no instructions as to what to do when the fog whistle blew. It was stated that whenever the fog whistle blew the engineer placed the vessel on her "fog speed," about 14 knots. He heard but one short blast and did not hear the towing whistle blown. The Iroquois's engines were going astern when she struck the Noname. Capt. Carter admitted that the weather was thick but did not think that it was necessary for him to be on the bridge.

## HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Huntsville, Ont., Dec. 29.—About 7:30 this morning a fire broke out in the rear of Wardell & Sons' store, and within fifteen minutes the whole was in flames. The efforts of the firemen were futile to save the stock, and household furniture and great difficulty was experienced in getting the inmates of the house to a place of safety. Mrs. Wardell and other members of the family were removed from the upper windows in their nightrobes.

## A GOOD SUGGESTION FROM BERMUDA VISITOR

Major Falkner Appreciates Recent Trip Here—Emigration of Scottish Domestic

A very interesting suggestion is made by Major Falkner, of the Garrison force in Bermuda, who paid a recent visit to the city, on which occasion a Times representative he paid tribute to its charms. He now writes from the scene of his military duties to the secretary of the Vancouver Island Development League, suggesting, as one who has purchased property at Duncan, that the league should do excellent publicity work by having the league's information books bound in pliable cloth, and sent to the mess president of every officers' mess in the British army, and thereby succeed in attracting officers with capital retiring from the army.

He suggests also the provision of views of the district to be disposed of at cost price, and of a really good map of Vancouver Island at reasonable price.

The result of efforts of another class is shown in a letter forwarded by a retired civil servant who has been contributing letters to the Yorkshire Post, an influential daily in the old country. The writer has settled in the vicinity of the city, and his contributions have brought him in touch with a number of persons who desire to locate here.

The Union Transit Company of Glasgow, wish the league to help them to get in touch with labor opportunities, which the league will not, of course, handle on account of the controversy which might arise through the introduction of artisans into the country in competition with those already here. The company is also prepared to arrange for the supply of domestic servants, fares to be paid out in course of urgency, and as this is one of the branches supported by the federal immigration department, the league will be pleased to notify of many cases, so that action can be taken, and employers here placed in touch with the agency.

## WIRELESS REPORTS

- Point Grey—Snowing; wind N. E., light; 29.80; sea moderate.
- Cape Lazo—Snowing; wind N. W., light; 29.80; sea moderate.
- Tatonah—Part cloudy; wind west, H miles; 29.85; sea moderate; fog, a two-masted steamer at 6:20 p. m.; Olson and Mahony at 6:55 p. m.; President at 7:10 p. m.
- Pachema—Clear; wind S. W., light; 29.82; sea moderate.
- Estovan—Snowing; wind N. W., fresh; 29.80; sea moderate.
- Triangle—Foggy; wind N. E.; 29.14; sea moderate.
- Rokda—Snowing; wind N. W., strong gale; 29.66; sea rough.
- Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.83; sea moderate.
- In. Prince John at 7:30 p. m.; out again at 10 p. m.; out. Prince Rupert at 8:45 p. m. southbound.
- Dead Tree Point—Clear; wind N. W.; sea smooth.

## 'FRISCO MARINE NEWS

**Frank Waterhouse Takes Strathendrick to Load on Sound for China.**

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Frank Waterhouse & Co. have taken on time charter the British steamer Strathendrick to load lumber and merchandise on the Sound for China. The vessel is now out 58 days from Norfolk with coal for this port and will arrive here next week.

The British steamer Rosalia, a new vessel of 2,418 tons, has been chartered to load at New York for Vancouver, consigned to Evans, Coleman & Evans. She will probably load general cargo on the Sound for Europe in the Maple Leaf line.

The British steamer Riverforth left Sydney for this port December 23. The vessel is under time charter to J. J. Moore & Co., and will load a return cargo of lumber on the Sound.

## PERSONAL

James Livingston, of Vancouver, is in the city.

R. S. Young, of Selkirk, is a recent arrival at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Borthwick, of Winnipeg, are visiting in the city.

Mrs. H. McDiarmid, of Berton, Man., is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Chatwin, of Neepawa, Manitoba, have arrived at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dork, of Neepawa, Man., have arrived in the city on a brief visit.

A. D. McAdam, of Everett, arrived in the city yesterday. He is staying at the Westholme hotel.

Mrs. Templeman will receive on Monday, New Year's Day, at her home, corner Simcoe and St. Andrew's streets.

Mrs. H. W. W. Bromwich, of Lillooet, is in the city, and is staying at the Westholme hotel. Mrs. A. Gordon, of Vancouver, is visiting here with her.

Gus Rossiter and J. Illich, of San Francisco, are in the city, registered at the Westholme hotel. They are connected with W. R. Grace & Co., shipping owners, of the Golden Gate city.

## ABDICATION MAY TAKE PLACE SOON

BELIEVED TO BE ONLY MATTER OF DAYS

Emperor and Empress Dowager Likely to Take Refuge in Legation Quarters

Peking, Dec. 29.—The news of the abdication of the Chinese republic reached the members of the cabinet by the Associated Press today. It is believed that the members of the court will remain in Peking until after the abdication of the Empress Dowager and the child emperor are announced, which was considered only a matter of days. It is understood that some of the princes have taken refuge within the foreign concessions at Tien Tsin and it is probable that a secret arrangement has been made for the emperor and the Empress Dowager to take refuge in the legation quarter of Peking.

The importance of yesterday's edict to decide the form of government for China, apparently is not recognized in the Chinese capital. There is more agitation here over the arrest this morning of three revolutionaries carrying bombs in front of the central police station than over the imperial edict.

Premier Yuan Shi Kai states that the present situation is the result of following the advice of friends who were opposed to fighting. Previously the imperialists had been able to suppress this rebels, but they were no longer able to do so owing to the impetuosity of the government. Yuan Shi Kai says that as premier, he is willing to bow to the wishes of the majority, but he remains a monarchist and never will serve a republic.

Shanghai, Dec. 29.—The peace conference today decided on the calling of a national convention to determine the form of government of China whose decision shall be binding on both sides.

The Manchukuo troops are meanwhile to evacuate their positions and the republicans to maintain them.

## MANITOBA'S NEW TELEPHONE RATES

Strong Pressure Brought to Bear on Government to Prevent Change

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—The Tribune will say this afternoon that strong political pressure is being brought to bear on the government to abandon the new telephone rates recently announced by the government telephone commission and which promise to be far from popular. It is understood that Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of the interior, is taking a good deal of interest in the matter, the telephone being formerly under his department as member of the Manitoba cabinet.

## WANTED IN NEW YORK

London, Dec. 29.—A report from Dover says that J. Howard Ford, who crossed the Atlantic on board the Landlord, has been arrested by Scotland Yard detectives at the request of the New York police.

New York, Dec. 29.—J. Howard Ford is better known here by the police as "Doc" Waterbury, a swindler of international notoriety. He falsely represented himself as a reporter, and it is alleged swindled former United States Senator Gifford, of Michigan and others. He was convicted of one of his offences and served eighteen months in the United States penitentiary at Atlanta. Upon his release Ford came here and is accused of abducting Evelyn Roth, 17 years old. Ford also is accused of cashing a bonus cheque for \$500 before he sailed for England.

## CUNARD CHANGE SCHEDULE

Fast Steamships Leave New York Later—Passengers at London in Daylight

New York, Dec. 29.—A new time arrangement in the sailings of the liners Lusitania and Mauretania is soon to be instituted whereby these boats, instead of leaving their docks at 9 o'clock in the morning, will get away at 11 o'clock a. m. The reason for the change is that it would make practically certain the arrival of passengers in London at a reasonable daylight hour instead of putting them there late at night, as is the case under the present schedule.

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Seattle, Wash., Dec. 29.—A mass meeting of lumbermen in all branches of the lumber business who have offices in Seattle will be held this afternoon to arrange for the convention of the Western Retail Lumber Dealers Association, which will hold a three-day convention in Seattle February 15, 16 and 17. The convention is expected to bring between 500 and 600 retail lumbermen from all over the west to Seattle and will be one of the largest, if not the largest, convention to be held in Seattle in 1912.

## BORN

MONTGOMERY—On Oct. 27th, the wife of P. Montgomery, of a daughter.

**DIED**  
THOMPSON—On the 27th inst., at Royal Jubilee hospital, Emily Gertrude, beloved wife of Mr. W. P. H. Thompson, late of Vermilion, Alberta, aged 40 years; born Heckington, Lincolnshire, England.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2:30 p. m. from the chapel of the B. C. Funeral Parlor, 521 Government street, where services will be conducted. Interment in Ross Bay cemetery, Victoria, B. C. (Edmonton papers please copy.)

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### Wonders of Western Cities Open New Vista to Visiting Australian Cadets

When the Australian boys reached the Y. M. C. A. yesterday on their march from the C. P. R. wharf, and before they were dismissed for billeting, Mayor Morley addressed them and the Fifth school cadets, saying he was glad to welcome them on behalf of the city, and to know the way in which they had learnt their music and drill, which reflected credit on the touring staff. He hoped they would enjoy themselves while in the city, and also that their visit would help to cement the bonds of union between the sister Dominions of Canada and Australia. Lieut. Simons briefly replied on behalf of the boys, and his wish was then introduced to each cadet in turn, with whom he shook hands.

Bandmaster George Reid, now a resident of Perth, Western Australia, who had charge of the musical exercises of the boys, said in a brief chat with a Times man that while the band did not contain any boys of remarkable talent, they had two or three who would make a name for themselves. The boys took great interest in their playing, and the concerts they had given on tour had been immensely appreciated.

In conversation with several of the boys they all agreed that the Canadian homes they had seen had shown great hospitality, and the Christmas season, though somewhat different from the hot weather of the homeland at this season of the year, had been very happily spent. They had been treated in the homes in Vancouver as well as they could have been at home, and the little they had seen of Canada only made them desire to know it better.

The wonderful things they had seen in the past few weeks, sight-seeing crowding every day, had opened their eyes to the marvels of the new world, and it would be sometime before they could settle down and digest all the information so obtained. The life of the bustling west, particularly in the busy cities of the coast like San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, was a contrast to the slower methods of the Antipodes, and the manners, money and opinions of the western people opened a new vista, although the visit of the American boys to Australia two years ago had broken the ice somewhat.

The boys are all healthy, sturdy athletes, and smiles lit up their faces as R. C. Horne, boys' work director, extended the freedom of the institution to them during their stay in Victoria, and the facilities of the big swimming tank are also likely to be appreciated. An observation car will take the boys around the city during the day, and the sights will be explained to them by various members of the reception committee.

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### THE ADVANCE MAN

"Seven Days"

Messrs. Wagnhals & Kemper's Astor theatre company in the film heart-Hopwood comedy, "Seven Days," direct from the play's third year in New York and with the entire Broadway production, will be at the Victoria theatre New Year matinee and night, January 1. The Red Rock Magazine said of this comedy:

"It is one great plot of fun. It contains every element of uncommonly good entertainment." It was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood, who first of all created a capital story. It is a real play, not the hodge-podge of meaningless nonsense of the general run of plays designed to get a laugh. The makers of "Seven Days" told a capital story, wittily, snappily, with a swift humor and rapid comic event. They drew clever characters true to their types, men and women for the most part of New York's smart set, and they carried them adroitly through a chain of hilarious calamities that, as the New York Journal said, "are too funny to be told and vastly funny to behold."

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Viadimir de Pachmann.

The Hamilton Times has the following account of the concert given by Viadimir de Pachmann, the great pianist, who is to play at the Victoria theatre here on January 4:

After entrancing many an audience in the old scores with his pianoforte playing, Viadimir de Pachmann, the great Russian master, visited Hamilton last evening and gave an audience in the Grand, nearly one hour and a half of unalloyed delight. The audience was not the largest seen at a piano recital, but in enthusiasm and spontaneous applause, it was the equal of any that had previously listened. In the theatre to great performers, Viadimir de Pachmann, through his musical intelligence, the occasion furnished a new experience to a city audience. It was the first time that a great pianist gave evidence of it being a pleasure for him to play to his auditors. Preceding players have usually looked so determinedly in earnest that they never gave way to the impression of it being in any way a light task to interpret the famous piano masters. Not so, with de Pachmann. Throughout the evening he frequently indicated by smiles and gestures that it was pleasing him as much to play as it was for his audience to listen, and the audience took kindly to the innovator's attitude. The brilliant Polish pianist-composer has no more devoted exponent or one more fitted for the task than de Pachmann; and the fact that there was not the least approach to monotony in the programme was a sure indication of wisdom in the maestro's selections and their execution. In his fantasias, preludes, ballades, nocturnes, mazurkas and polonaises, Chopin employs all the wondrous witchery of harmony wedded to many a strange rhythm, and his works are outstanding monuments in the realm of piano music.

Of de Pachmann's playing it is difficult to speak. As he unfolded, as it were, composition after composition, he appeared part of the whole, so wrapped was he in each number, and his readings may be taken as models of Chopin interpretation. In certainty and rapidity of execution, every phrase was as clear-cut as a precious diamond, and the themes came singing forth in most delightful cadence. His piano passages were caressing and tender, while there was no uncertainty in his thunderous fortissimos. No number could be specially selected as being worthy of more commendation than any other, but the audience probably from better knowledge of it was more pronounced in its applause after the playing of the famous black key study, in the group of tunes.

To say his listeners literally hung upon every note of the great artist's playing is stating the fact mildly. After each group the applause was tremendous and de Pachmann was recalled again and again, finally responding with delightful encores. Truly, with Hamlet and his Yorick, Hamiltonians can well say of de Pachmann, "We'll never look on his like again."

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### THE PASSING SHOW

The Empress Theatre.

The World's Worst Wizards are making many laugh at each performance at the Empress theatre this week. Messrs. Walton and Lester are two English comedians, who thirteen weeks ago left the Palace music hall to make a brief tour over the Sullivan & Considine circuit, and the applause which greets their turn at every show indicates that these two funny fellows with the most eccentric make-up please their audiences.

The Fernandez Duo are versatile performers who play and imitate a great array of musical instruments and seem to be able to draw music from anything, whether it be tin can or barrel. Miss Fernandez has a remarkably good voice and sings well. They play the violin, cello, guitar, banjo and other instruments—and play them well.

Miss Marie Fitzgibbon, a sprightly comedienne, sings and tells some clever character stories. Her song "Nothing Ever Bothers Me" is a fine number. R. R. Raymond, a singer with three distinct voices, sings songs in bass, baritone and tenor solos. He surprises the audience at every performance when he steps from the wings to conclude his solo, "The Last Rose of Summer," his clear soprano notes leading many to believe that a woman is singing until he appears. Ned Cork Norton, a black-face comedian, does an excellent monologue and sings well.

Romano-Theatre.

"On the Stroke of Three" is an excellent imp drama. Right on the stroke of three a cheque is presented for payment at a bank. It is cashed and a situation fraught with danger to all concerned is saved by means of the cash so obtained. "How Hopkins Failed the Rent" is a film sure to please and amuse. "The Actress" is an unusually fine Majestic drama. There is no mistake about the quality of this film—it is one of the best. Telling the story in print would tend to spoil the interest as the film is being shown.

"Who's Who" is another good comedy. To win a wager, a good fellow goes to the seaside masquerading as a girl. By a strange chance a young girl has chosen the same place to appear as a boy. The man-girl is sought by all the fellows, and thus meets the girl-man. They indulge in the usual seaside flirtation until one day the girl passes his door and sees him minus his wig. The next day she snatches it from his hand. He chases her, and on coming up with her he catches her hair. It being false too comes off in his hand. Thus unmasked they renew their attentions to each other, with the usual result.

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