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INSURRECTION IN VENEZUELA

INFURIATED MOB RUNS RIOT AT CARACAS

Movement Directed Against President Castro and Ruling Powers.

Caracas, Venezuela, Monday, via Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 15.—The people of Caracas arose to-day against President Castro. An infuriated mob, unhindered by the police, swept through the city, wrecking the property of his henchmen and his closest friends. The people rounded up all the statues and pictures of President Castro from the clubs and other semi-public buildings and burned them with rejoicing on the Plaza Bolivar. Castro's rule in Venezuela probably is ended. In spite of Holland's warlike activity on the coast there have been no demonstrations against the Netherlands. They have all been directed against President Castro and Acting President Gomez. Further dangerous demonstrations are anticipated. No official act deposing Castro from the presidency of Venezuela has yet been taken, but such a step is expected any moment. An enormous crowd of the inhabitants of the capital, swelled by people from the outlying country, gathered in the streets soon after daybreak. The people began marching up and down the main thoroughfare, and it was easy to see that their temper would soon result in violence. The police stood by and made no attempt whatever to restrain the mob. The first building to be attacked and looted was that of the lottery monopoly. The office of the state enterprise, that has enriched itself at the expense of the people, were ransacked and pillaged, furniture was broken and thrown into the streets, and thousands of lottery tickets were destroyed. The crowd then moved to the printing office of "El Constitucional," the organ of President Castro, of which Quintero Vera is editor, and pillaged the building completely. A steam laundry belonging to Senor Rivas was also wrecked. The crowd then turned its attention to several drug stores belonging to Senor Thielens, a son-in-law of General Mendoza, and turned them out. Gen. Mendoza was at one time minister of finance and public credit under Castro. He also was the president's private secretary for a number of years, and has been hated by the enemies of Castro, and his unpopularity and his close connection with the president accounted for the anger of the populace against the property of his son-in-law. The statues and pictures of President Castro were made into a huge bonfire on the Plaza Bolivar. Caracas has in the past been ornamented with a number of public inscriptions, setting forth the virtues of Castro and extolling his powers. These legends, some of which were carved on the public buildings of the city, were hacked out and erased. It was after 1 o'clock by the time the crowd had gotten thus far in its depredations. It lacked leadership and paused in default of other fields for its destructive energies. It was then that a detachment of troops was called out for duty on the city's streets and acting President Gomez issued a manifesto prohibiting further manifestations. These measures had the desired end, for the mob quieted down and then dispersed. The attack yesterday on the offices of El Constitucional when the crowd was curbed by a squad of soldiers who fired into the demonstrators, resulting in several fatalities. A criminal action has been begun against Editor Rivas and other employees of the paper, in which they are charged with the responsibility for these deaths. It is declared that Rivas and his men fired first on the people with revolvers. El Constitucional has suspended publication and Caracas is practically without newspapers. The funeral of Mariano Rojas, one of the killed by fighting yesterday, has been fixed for tomorrow. A vast crowd will turn out and further disorders and rioting are expected.

HOW TO STIELE OPIUM TRAFFIC

RAISING OF POPPIES MUST BE CURTAILED

Mackenzie King Thinks Shanghai Conference Will Do Good Work.

New York, Dec. 15.—The problem of checking the opium traffic was discussed by Mackenzie King, a member of the Canadian parliament, who sails for England to-day, to attend the international conference on opium to be held at Shanghai, China, beginning on February 1st. Mr. King said: "It is my opinion that the use of opium, in a harmful way, can only be checked by striking direct at the very root, the raising of poppies to so great an extent as to make impossible the spread of their produce as other than mere medicine. The only way in which this can be done is through a congress of representatives of all the nations concerned. I think this conference will unquestionably be successful. "As for the opium traffic in Canada, I have pretty well obliterated it there. Last year there were as many as seven factories on our Pacific coast, fed by the raw product from India. From them the drug was smuggled into the United States. We passed a law prohibiting its manufacture and sale, and closed them in six months.

PREDICTS BESSEMER STEEL WILL BE USELESS

C. M. Schwab on Industry—Must Change Conditions Before Changing Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Disagreeing with the public views of Andrew Carnegie on the steel tariff, Chas. M. Schwab, former president of the U. S. Steel Corporation, testified before the House ways and means committee yesterday. While he practically admitted that the conditions which existed nine years ago would have permitted a reduction in the steel schedule, he said that the cost of the manufacture of steel rails had increased to such an extent that the present conditions must be changed to permit of tariff reduction. "In five years there will not be a Bessemer steel converting works left in the United States," said Mr. Schwab. Mr. Schwab predicted that Bessemer steel would be of no use. The same is true of structural steel, as well as rails. "They will be all made by the open hearth process of manufacture. Constant changes in the construction," he continued, "of the plant will be necessary to meet the improvements in the method of manufacture." Mr. Schwab also declared that within ten years the open hearth process would be superseded by the electric system of manufacture, which was being developed in Germany. "These changes in the process of manufacture improve the quality of the steel," he continued, "but they also increase the cost of production slightly." Mr. Schwab said he was not in favor of any change in the tariff on steel and steel products. "A moderate change will not make any material difference," he said, "but a radical change might do considerable harm." He admitted that the duty could be taken off iron ore without affecting the value of the Messaba ore of this country. Mr. Schwab stated that the Bethlehem Steel Company, of which he is president, imports all of its iron ore from Cuba. Frank W. Taussig, professor of political economy at Harvard university, argued that certain raw materials should be admitted free, naming coal, iron ore, lumber, hemp, flax, corn and barley. He said it would be a wise policy to reduce the duty on woolen clothing and sugar. Robert Gilchrist, representing St. Louis and New York interests, urged that the present duty on ferro-manganese used in the manufacture of steel should be removed. He said that this article cannot be produced sufficiently in the United States to supply domestic needs.

EMPIRE LEAGUE ON AN AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Hopes That Mr. Deakin's Proposals Will Be Carried Out.

London, Dec. 15.—At the annual meeting yesterday of the Empire League Council the speakers hoped the negotiations between the British government and Australia would result in the acceptance of Mr. Deakin's proposal for the formation of an Australian navy. The Duke of Devonshire expressed satisfaction with the progress of the league, especially in Canada.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 15.—The tentative selection of Salt Lake City as the next meeting place of the Grand Army of the Republic was confirmed last night by the executive committee which has been investigating the accommodations afforded by the city.

UNDISCOVERED MURDER MYSTERIES

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15.—A report of the police department shows that 156 persons were murdered in Chicago in the year 1935. Of the murders, twenty remain unsolved. In the year 1934 one hundred and ninety-three murders were committed, which is the highest number recorded.

WANTS BRAZIL TO REDUCE NAVAL ARMAMENT

Argentina Assuming Warlike Attitude—Jealousy Rampant Between Republics.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—Diplomatic circles here are watching with much concern the differences between the Argentine Republic and Brazil whose relations are strained because of the jealousy over naval armaments. These are aggravated by the alleged interception by the Argentine authorities of a dispatch sent by Brazil to its legation in Santiago. It is said that the dispatch after being intercepted was handed to a man who composed one of an entirely different character containing a statement of hostile intentions against Argentina. This alleged fabrication was read before the Argentine Congress in secret session to support the vote for armament. Brazil later sent to Argentina, and published in the Brazilian papers the false dispatch and the one actually sent to prove that the dispatch intercepted showed friendliness and not hostility to Argentina. It is said, however, that no acknowledgment of the mistake has been made by Argentina to Brazil. Threats made in the Argentine press over the signature of Dr. Brisballos, ex-minister of foreign affairs, have also rankled the Brazilians. These were that Argentina would avail herself of her present naval superiority to impose on Brazil the equivalence of their two fleets and ask for a reduction of the Brazilian ships under construction. Brazil declares she would never submit to have her armament voted according to another government's wishes.

INSANITY ON INCREASE IN UNITED STATES

One Million Inhabitants Are Adicted to Use of Opium.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15.—"Insanity grows three times as fast in proportion to the increase in population in the United States." Dr. David Paulson, president of the Anti-Cigarette league, made this statement yesterday afternoon. "China," he continued, "used twenty-six grains of opium last year for every man, woman and child. The United States used 56 grains. There are at least one million opium users in this country."

ASKS FOR ACCOUNTING IN B. C. TIMBER DEAL

St. John, N. B., Dec. 15.—In the equity court on Tuesday next a hearing will be given in the suit by A. S. Pugsley, of Sussex, against G. W. Fowler and Rufus Pope in connection with timber land deals in British Columbia. Mr. Pugsley asks for an accounting and demands one-third of the \$200,000 which he claims to have been made by the syndicate.



HAINES CONFIDENT HE WILL GO FREE

State Places Great Reliance in Widow's Testimony in Yacht Club Tragedy.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Calmly and with imperturbable mein, Thornton J. Haines watched to-day in court the construction of the state's case designed to prove the charges that he was a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter Haines, Jr., in the killing of Wm. E. Annis, a publisher, at the Bayside Yacht Club, last summer. The jury box was filled last night and an adjournment taken until to-day. The adduction of direct testimony of the state's witnesses is expected to take only a little time, but the cross-examination will likely delay the opening of the defence for three or four days. As has been outlined, Haines' counsel will endeavor to show, through its cross-examination of the state's witnesses, that the writer's aim in drawing his revolver was one of defence and not offence. The central figure in to-day's session was the appearance of the state's chief witness, Mrs. Wm. E. Annis, who stood helplessly by at the yacht club float and saw her husband's life taken. The result of her story on the witness stand is calculated by the prosecutors to be the strongest card in the state's case. Thornton Haines has seemingly no apprehension of the outcome of the trial. He said this morning that he had no doubt that the jury would acquit him, and declared that his story on the witness stand would not only free him but would open the doors for his brother's release. General Peter C. Haines (now retired) sat with the defendant during the trial, and frequently during the case the father and son conferred on the points in the evidence. Justice Crane has made it clear to counsel that the taking of testimony must move with the same expedition as the examination of witnesses. The jury will not be locked up during the trial, or at least until all the evidence has been submitted. Reports that the prosecution has tampered with one of the witnesses for the defence has met with prompt denial by the state's attorneys. Counsel for Haines said to-day that it might be necessary to discharge the automatic revolver with blank cartridges in the court room to demonstrate by the rapidity with which the shots are fired that it would be impossible for the eyewitnesses to have mistaken Capt. Peter Haines for firing more than one shot. The witnesses allege that had not Thornton Haines interfered they would have probably saved Annis' life. Counsel states that the automatic revolver fires six shots in less than two seconds. Justice Crane expunged all the talesmen when the court opened and excluded all witnesses of the tragedy from the court room. On a motion of District Attorney Darrin, Justice Crane said he would not permit Mrs. Haines, mother of the defendant, to sit beside her son during the trial. The order does not exclude Mrs. Haines from the court room. Mrs. Haines was not in court when the order was given. Special Prosecutor White then began to outline the case for the state. (Concluded on page 2.)

DISASTROUS TRAIN COLLISION IN FRANCE

Limoges, France, Dec. 15.—Ten persons were killed and fifteen injured in a collision to-day between a passenger train and a freight train in the Pouch tunnel between the town of Brive and Limoges.

CHRISTMAS GOODS GO UP IN FLAMES

Two Montreal Firms Are Heavy Sufferers Through Fire.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 15.—A fire which broke out at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, did actual damage estimated at \$50,000 to the Birks' building on Phillips square. The loss to firms located in the building will likely exceed this amount, the greater part being due to the ruining of the Christmas trade. The principal sufferers in this respect are Henry Birks & Sons, jewelers, and Wm. Notman & Son, photographers, the two most important establishments of the kind in Canada. The Birks firm occupied the entire ground floor of the building with their show rooms, and about half of this was damaged by water, while the Notman galleries, located in the upper floors, were badly damaged by fire, smoke and water. The fire also did some damage to a portion of the Birks factory, but the greater portion of this being located in the newer half of the building, escaped without much damage. The Birks firm carried insurance of a little over \$500,000 on their building, stock, machinery, etc., while the loss of the Notman firm is placed at \$30,000 and is fully covered.

HIS LAST SMOKE

Vancouver Man Killed by Gasoline Explosion—Went Into Room With Pipe Alight. Vancouver, Dec. 15.—Archie Baxter, aged 56, was killed last night by an explosion of gas in the Abbotsford hotel, where has been employed. He smoked a pipe when he visited the room where gasoline was stored.

DEFUNCT SUGAR COMPANY

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Chief Justice Falconbridge yesterday issued a winding-up order in the case of the Ontario Sugar company of Toronto, which has its factory at Berlin.

HAYTIENS' ARREST FRENCH OFFICER

New York, Dec. 15.—A cable dispatch to the Herald from Port au Prince, Hayti, says that while returning from Bizotons after visiting the American Consul, J. B. Terry, Lieutenant-Commander James H. Head, of the 10th Cavalry, was challenged and arrested by Haytian soldiers. Commander Sibley complained to the Haytian government through Mr. Furness, the American minister of war.

LEAVING LETBRIDGE

Letbridge, Alta., Dec. 15.—J. W. Woolf, M. P. P., is leaving to reside in Salt Lake City.

CANNOT MUZZLE NEW YORK WORLD

REPLY OF PAPER TO ROOSEVELT'S OUTBREAK

Reiterates Demand for Panama Investigation—Striking Attack on President.

New York, Dec. 15.—The World in its answer to President Roosevelt's references to that paper in his special message to congress yesterday says in its editorial to-day: "Mr. Roosevelt is mistaken. He cannot muzzle the World, while no amount of 'Billingsgate' on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness. We repeat what we have already said, that the congress of the United States should make a thorough investigation of the whole Panama transaction, that the full truth may be known to the American people. "The World appreciates the importance and significance of Mr. Roosevelt's statement when he declares to the congress that the proprietor of the World should be prosecuted for libel by the government authorities, and that the attorney-general has under consideration the form under which the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought. This is the first time a president ever asserted the doctrine of lese majeste, or proposed, in the absence of specific legislation, the criminal prosecution by the government of citizens who criticized the conduct of the government or the conduct of individuals who may have had business dealings with the government. "Neither the King of Great Britain nor the Emperor of Germany will venture to arrogate such power to himself. John Adams' attempt to enforce the sedition law, destroyed the Federalist party in America. Yet Mr. Roosevelt, in the absence of law, officially proposes to use all the power of the greatest power on earth to cripple the freedom of the press, on the pretext that the government itself has been libeled, and he is the government. It is true that the World printed the (Concluded on page 8.)

WARSHIP LAUNCH WITH SEVEN MEN MISSING

Believed to Have Foundered During Squall Off St. Pierre, Miquelon.

St. Pierre, Mq., Dec. 15.—Seven members of the crew of the French warship Admiral Aube, who started for the shore on Monday night are missing, and it is thought all were drowned. The warship, which arrived here with Governor Didelet two weeks ago, is anchored in the roads. On Monday evening seven of the crew were given orders to take a steam launch and remain ashore all night. When the launch was about half way into port the watchman of the Admiral Aube lost sight of the boat. At that time it was dark and a heavy snow squall came from the south unexpectedly. The men on the warship, however, supposed the sailors had reached port, and no alarm was felt until yesterday, when the crew failed to report. Several officers who were sent ashore to find out what happened testified that the men had not landed. No one on shore saw the launch, and it is believed that she was swamped by the squall and foundered with her seven occupants.

PRAIRIE MAYORS

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 15.—Ald. Mohl has been elected mayor of Brandon, and S. Woods of Portage la Prairie.

BOOKMAKERS WILL DEFY ANTI-GAMBLING LAW

Determined to Ply Trade Openly on New Orleans Track.

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—The announcement last night that races would be conducted to-day at the city park, and that bookmaking would be allowed in spite of the anti-racing law, was nothing more than an invitation from W. W. Lykes, a Kentucky turfman, supposed to be representing Ed. Corigan, to the New Orleans police to attend the opening of the meet. The police will accept the invitation. It omitted to mention the time, but inasmuch as the bookmakers and the persons registering bets expect to be arrested it is probable that they will put the police to as little trouble as possible. It is expected that the first race will be called early in the afternoon. Today's meet is no more or less than the long threatened attempt to test the law which prohibits bookmaking. It is understood that the meet will come to at least a temporary close as soon as the arrests are made.

ARTIST'S DAUGHTER PREFERRED SUFFERING TO SELLING 'THE PASSING STORM.'

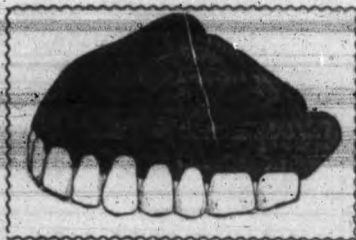
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DISCHARGED PRISONER

Alexander Vied After Ten Days in Jail Is Set at Liberty.
After hearing evidence against Alexander Vied this morning the police magistrates decided that he had been sufficiently punished by spending ten days in jail, and discharged him after telling him that it was against the law in Canada to carry weapons of any kind; that it was not necessary for anyone to carry them or use them to defend himself.
Vied was one of the Roumanians who were engaged in a fracas in the Colonial hotel bar on December 24th, and he had an altercation with Martin Hauptmann, who is now awaiting trial for stabbing Ed Heio. During the quarrel he drew a knife, but did not attempt to use it on anyone.
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Special Prosecutor White, in his opening address, declared that seven months before the murder the publisher of the magazine, "Recreation," had received letters from J. Haines expressing deep-seated animosity toward the employees of the magazine and toward Annis, who was in charge of its advertising department. Mr. White said also that Haines again wrote to the publisher of "Recreation" two months before the murder, expressing animosity against Annis. Coming down to the day of the tragedy in August, Mr. White described the location of the Bayside Yacht Club, and then told how Annis and Mr. Harway on the afternoon in question went out for a sail preparatory to the boat races in which Annis was to compete. Mr. White then described the arrival of Thornton Haines and his brother at the Bayside railway station. He said that Thornton engaged a hackman to drive his brother and himself to the Bayside Yacht Club.

The two passengers held a conversation which was inaudible to the hackman, before entering the hack. On the way to the yacht club landing the carriage conveying the Haines brothers passed a stage, but Thornton directed the hackman to drop back behind it again. Thornton then said to Capt. Haines: "We've got him now," and told the hackman to keep about 100 feet behind the stage. Thornton inquired of the hackman whether there was any real estate for sale nearby, and whether he knew Annis and where Annis lived.

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SENSATIONAL CHARGE

Chinaman Who Is Fined for Evading Poll Tax Says His Government Sent Him to Canada.
Montreal, Que., Dec. 16.—A sensational charge was made in court this morning by Lee Wah, who was fined \$500 or a year's imprisonment for evading the Chinese immigration law. He made the statement that he had been sent by the government. The official certificate for the receipt for the poll tax was in the name of Kooontong Sang. The government will be asked to hold an investigation.

LOCAL OPTION IN MANITOBA.

An Even Break on Question in Municipal Contest.
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 16.—Local option carried in ten municipalities of Manitoba yesterday and was defeated in ten others. Emerson town went dry, but in Morris, Selkirk, Carberry, Russell and Swan River the liquor interests won.

PIER COLLAPSES; FOUR DIE.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Four persons were killed by the collapse of a pier and the span of the new bridge across the Potomac river here to-day.

OXFORD WINS AT RUGBY.

London, Dec. 16.—The Rugby match to-day resulted as follows: Oxford University 7 points, Edinburgh Academicals 6 points.
—To-day building permits to the amount of \$55,000 have been issued. Wilson Bros. have taken out the permit for their new grocery warehouse on Herald street, to cost \$25,000. The Chinese school on Piquard street, to cost \$12,000, has been given a permit for ten houses, at \$1,500 each. Nine of these are on Hulton and Cowan streets, and one on Pendegast.

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CASTRO HAS HEARD NOTHING OF TROUBLES

Very Ignorant of Doings in Venezuela—Kaiser Sends Him Message.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—The foreign office to-day sent a representative to call upon President Castro, of Venezuela, to express the Emperor's thanks for Castro's telegram of greeting.
Members of the President's entourage said to-day that he had received no news of the capture of Venezuelan vessels by the Dutch warships on the coast or of any insurrection in Venezuela.

DELIGHTED WITH IDEA OF STATE OWNED CABLES

Sir Sandford Fleming Has Praise for Attitude of Hon. P. Lemieux.
London, Dec. 16.—Sir Sandford Fleming, writing to a London friend, expressing delight at the attitude of the Hon. R. Lemieux regarding the state owned Atlantic cables, which Sir Sandford thinks is the first step. The rest, he says, will follow step by step.
Sir Sandford has "a very sanguine dream" about the London Times having a branch in Canada, and full use could be made of the state cable across the Atlantic.
"We must ever look forward," he says, "to antiquarians, archaeologists and geologists will look after the past; their minds incline that way."

OPERATION ON GENERAL BOOTH.

London, Dec. 16.—General Wm. Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army, was operated upon this afternoon for cataracts, and the doctors are hopeful that he will completely recover his sight.

IMPERIAL PRESS CONFERENCE.

Journalists Visiting London Will Have Round of Entertainment.
London, Dec. 16.—It is learned that among the functions under proposal to entertain the press representatives of the Empire at the great congress next year is a visit to Portsmouth and Aldershot. Both the Commons and Lords will banquet them. There will be a banquet at the Grafton Galleries, a reception by the Duchess of Sutherland at Stratford House, a visit to Hatfield House, the residence of Lord Salisbury, and a cruise on Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht Erin. Several other functions are suggested, but have not yet been decided.

THOMAS TAYLOR IS LIKELY THE CHOICE

Reported That He Will Enter McBride Cabinet.
Thomas Taylor, M. P. P., representing Revelstoke, is reported to have been the choice of Premier McBride for the position of minister of public works in the local government. An official announcement has not been made by the premier, but is expected at any time.

MEMORIAL OF WAR.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 16.—Emperor Nicholas has approved the proposed construction of a memorial church to the sailors who perished in the Russo-Japanese war, and a committee has been formed headed by the Queen of Greece to collect funds.

THEATRES ON SUNDAY.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—A summons was served yesterday afternoon on Messrs. Edward and Strachan, ordering them to appear before the recorder's court on Friday next to answer the charge of keeping open the Academy of Music and the Theatre Francais last Sunday.

HER SPLENDID HARVEST.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—G. J. Bury, general manager of western lines of the C. P. R. and F. T. Griffin, land commissioner for the company in the west, arrived in Montreal yesterday. Both were enthusiastic in speaking about the splendid harvest.

TORONTO'S LIBERAL CLUB.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—A Liberal club, with suitable premises, and a membership of 500, is assured for Toronto, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. G. P. Graham and Hon. C. Murphy are among the members.

W. PETERBORO ELECTION CASE.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—Justice Britton yesterday granted a stay of proceedings in the West Peterboro election case, pending a formal decision in the preliminary proceedings. He also extended the time for taking proceedings by either party.

CHIEF AND WIFE, English, seek situation; 21 years' experience in all classes of cooking; would manage hotel or restaurant. Apply Box 613, this office.

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AT J. MORLEY WILL SEEK MAYORALTY

He Decides to Oppose Mayor Hall at the Coming Elections.

A. J. Morley is coming out as a candidate for the mayoralty of Victoria. He is informed by the Times this afternoon, and will announce the fact to the ratepayers in an open letter to them.

BENEFIT BALL.

Hotel and Restaurant Employees Will Have Charge of Affairs.
The hotel and restaurant employees International Geneve Benefit Association is now establishing a branch in Victoria under the direction of the president, Adam Haunstetter, who is engaged at the Empress hotel. The association will hold a ball on Monday night at the A. O. U. W. hall, for which tickets are issued. The surplus expected to be obtained from the event will be added to the relief funds of the association.

Mr. Haunstetter, who is forming the local branch, says the society is a mutual benefit one with death, sick, old age and relief benefits. The association was founded in Geneva in 1877, has now a membership of 10,200 and funds in October last year of \$128,400. He explains the association is not a fraternal but a benefit one. The association, he explains, is a "white hotel" and restaurant employees.

The committee in charge of the ball on Monday night consists of: President, A. Haunstetter; secretary-treasurer, M. Rasmussen; floor committee, F. Lins, W. Kastenbader and J. Kirch; refreshment committee, J. Heeg; decorations, J. Skippman, R. Priegnitz and C. Klaus. The Empress hotel orchestra of six pieces will provide the music.

—The final meeting of the parks board for this year will be held this afternoon at 4:30.

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—The Dominion Express Company will keep their office open until 10 p. m., each evening from now until Christmas to receive and deliver parcels.

—The special meeting of the school board to consider tenders for supplies and also to deal with the matter of a "demand" for a loan by-law is called for Friday evening.

—Complaint has frequently been made that the offices of the British Columbia agent in London, J. H. Turner, were poorly located, being on the sixth floor and not easy to find. According to a letter received by Col. A. W. Jones from his brother, C. S. Jones, Mr. Turner has now righted this and has quarters on the ground floor looking into Finsbury Circus.

—The Imperial Service Club last night entertained the members of the British Campaigners' Association at a smoker held in the club rooms, Government street. A pleasant and enjoyable evening was spent, and songs were rendered by Messrs. Dennison, Evans, Winkel, Pomeroy, Harrison and Beaven. G. Millett, who was one of the beleaguered men in Lucknow, recited "Jessie Brown's Dream." Capt. Curtis, R. N., also gave a recitation.

A. J. Brass, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., returned last night from the Washington state Y. M. C. A. convention, held at Yakima. He was accompanied by William E. Sweet, a prominent Denver business man, and president of the Denver Y. M. C. A., who will give an informal talk this evening to the Y. M. C. A. directors here at 8 o'clock tea. Mr. Brass was the only Canadian delegate present at the convention. The general Y. M. C. A. work was discussed by the sixty-five delegates present, and many splendid reports listened to.

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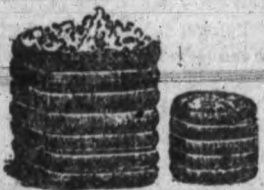
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MAYOR RELIES ON HIS RECORD.

RATEPAYERS HEAR OF CITY COUNCIL'S DOINGS

Progress on Waterworks—Improved Fire Protection—Will Reduce Insurance.

A large number of ratepayers, including several ladies, gathered in the council chamber last night to hear Mayor Hall give an account of the actions of the city council during the past year. They listened attentively to what the chief magistrate had to say. The only questions were two batches of written queries put in at the opening of the meeting.

Shortly after 8 o'clock Mayor Hall came forward and explained that he had called the meeting, which was an innovation, for the purpose of giving an account of what had been done by the council during the year. He asked Ald. Cameron, as senior member of the council, being chairman of the finance committee, to preside.

Before anything further could take place George Jeeves placed a paper containing a number of questions in the mayor's hands and Phil R. Smith handed a long list of questions to the chairman to be passed on.

Ald. Cameron considered the innovation was a happy one and a step in the right direction, as everything that tended to bring the ratepayers and city council together was for the benefit of the city. He bespoke the customary Victoria fair hearing for the mayor and announced that any questions could be put at the close of his worship's remarks.

Held to Meet Deficit.

The mayor said he felt it was only right that a meeting should be called and a statement made when there was no campaign on and matters could be weighed coolly and calmly. Elected on January 15th the new council did not know just how the finances stood, there having been no financial statement issued during the campaign. They found themselves confronted with a deficit of \$11,004.25, which had to be met, and was met, out of ordinary revenue. If the council had that to-day it would fill up several of the holes in the streets that needed it badly.

Two by-laws had been voted on at the last elections, the waterworks by-law and the incinerator by-law, both of which had carried. After inspection of what had been done at Vancouver and elsewhere the council decided, in view of the expense of an incinerator and Victoria's facilities for sending its garbage out to sea, to continue doing so, and so the debenture for the purpose was not raised. Another consideration was that the city had not ground enough available.

Waterworks Construction.

Dealing with what has been done in the waterworks department, his worship said the reservoir was three parts done and was estimated by A. L. Adams, the consulting engineer, to be completed in May. The amount set aside for that was \$50,000 and a little over \$46,000 had been expended. This included some plant—steam drill, cement mixer and other machinery—that will be worth considerable when the work is done. Twelve miles of mains for the new distribution system have been laid. It was March before the contract for pipes was let, but the pipes were cast and sent out from England, the trenches dug and sixty thousand feet laid within the year. (Applause.) Elk lake was being raised three feet six inches on the advice of the engineer, which is practically done. Cases of workmen are working on the steel mains from Elk lake to the reservoir, working from Royal Oak and from the other end. It was expected the system would be completed by the end of May or the first of June next. Then there would be plenty of fresh water, enough for the first time in many years during the dry summer weather.

The reservoir would contain sixteen million gallons of water. The pump for the North Dairy Farm station was here and being installed. The electrically-operated automatic pump at Yates street was ready to start up the moment the high level tank was finished. The work was making an awful mess of several streets this winter but that could not be avoided. The work was being carried right along and afforded employment at a time it was most wanted.

Fire Protection.

Four money by-laws had been voted on on April 22nd and for the first time in Victoria's history, all passed. These were the salt water fire protection, ad-

ditional fire protection, school loan and sewerage loan. The school loan the council had nothing to do with. Under the sewer loan by-law seven miles of sewers had been laid. Additional fire apparatus had been purchased and new fire halls were being erected. The salt water mains were being laid in the entire business section, one mile of pipe being laid out of three miles to be laid. There had been spent up to the present \$27,000, which included all the mains required. Continuing the mayor said:

"I believe if this year's council had done nothing else but instal that system they would have done a lasting benefit to Victoria for all time to come. (Applause.) The secretary of the Fire Underwriters' Association by letter and local insurance men personally tell us that when this system is complete there will be a reduction in insurance rates throughout the city beyond even what we may expect. Similar systems are being put in in many other cities, but Victoria, underwriters say, will have a system of fire protection better than any city on the Pacific coast. South and west of Blanchard and Herold streets and as far as Humboldt street we will be able to have, right from the hydrants and without any pumping by fire engines, streams that will go over any building in the city." (Applause.)

In regard to street works, which were necessarily set back somewhat in the business centre by the laying of mains, a great deal had been done. There had been laid twelve and one-half miles of cement sidewalks, double the record of any previous year, costing approximately \$152,000. The walks were from five to sixteen feet wide. One mile of block pavement had been laid, including the re-paving of Government street, far more than ever before, amounting to about \$72,000. In Rockland avenue citizens could see a sample of good macadam avenue road-making. The rule had been laid down and was now being followed that no road was surfaced till sewers and water mains were down. Moral Conditions Good.

"Coming to the moral side after the physical," continued his Worship, "I went from the court house, where we were sworn in, to the office of the chief of police and told him to enforce the laws on our statute books as far as in his power, and that has never been revoked. On January 25th we had a certain woman up in the police court, she has been up three or four times since, and the case is now in the full court at Vancouver, and therefore discussion is not allowable.

"Regarding the license laws, there were several complaints that license-holders had not altogether complied with the law as to back rooms and so on. They were all notified to comply with the law, and they did so. There was no regular license inspector until this year. After consultation with the chief of the police commissioners came to the conclusion that it was not advisable for several reasons for policemen in uniform to be going into bars, and we recommended that a plain-clothes officer be detailed.

License Laws Obeyed.

"From the reports of Inspector Handley and others the city never was as well off and never stood as well morally as it does to-day. (Hear, hear.) I do not mean to say it is perfect, for it will not be that until we get a perfect humanity. A great deal depends on citizens themselves. It is they who make the laws through those they elect to office. The city is restricted to the powers conferred by the municipal laws. The license commissioners cannot refuse a license except for cause, but it is very hard to get proof of any illegal act. Take the case of hotels. They are not compelled to close as are saloons. They are supposed not to sell, but it is difficult to catch them if they do. If this matter was removed from the commission's hands there would be no trouble along these lines. In the matter of interdicts we cautioned all license-holders that supplying liquor to them would be deemed sufficient to cancel the license.

"One wholesale license was granted during the year. An agent for a Vancouver house had been coming over here for a couple of years, taking out a permit and paying \$50 to the local government, and was not having a warehouse the firm was doing business like any other local house, but the city got not one cent. We thought it advisable to issue a wholesale license, and we did so in this case.

Gambling and Clubs.

"There is very little gambling going on in the city, and what there is we cannot reach. All that is necessary to form a social club is for half a dozen people to join together and form one. We have in Victoria sixteen or seventeen of these, nearly all in Chinatown, into which the police cannot go any more than they can into any of your houses. These have been in existence for some time, and we are not the only city afflicted in the same way. The executive of the B. C. Union of Municipalities took it up with the attorney-general, and he has promised us legislation giving us control of these."

Regarding civic pay-days, the mayor explained that it took time making up the payrolls for 700 or 800 men. He had arranged that next week the workmen will get paid on the 22nd, so as to have money for Christmas shopping. After the first of the year the council would consider making the pay days the 5th and 19th, as before. The mayor said he favored the appointment of a paymaster. He concluded with a reference to the extent to which building is going on in the city, and the need for spending \$25,000 or \$30,000 on remodeling the city hall.

Blanchard Street.

George Jeeves' questions had to do with the possibility of the Victoria & Sidney railway getting wider rights on Blanchard street.

The Mayor stated that no legislation had been sought for the purpose of granting any portion of the street for railway use. A proposition made by the company to the council had been turned down cold. A lawsuit was pending regarding the market building, which the city wanted to get back, although it did not want to drive the railway away altogether, recognizing that it had done a great deal for Victoria in the way of transportation. If anything was proposed the people of Blanchard street would be consulted. His Worship added that he was in favor of the referendum in all such matters. Asked further what

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THE YEAR'S MUNICIPAL RECORD.

We think the general verdict in regard to Mayor Hall's account of his stewardship, delivered last evening, will be that it was eminently satisfactory and satisfactorily straightforward. There has been a decided advance all along the line during the year in municipal works and municipal business. Most of the great works which have become imperative as a result of Victoria's rapid growth of late years are under way and will be completed, the most urgent of them during the coming year, the remainder in due time. Whatever criticism may be directed against the present administration in respect of its responsibility for the moral tone of the community, no one familiar with the facts or whose zeal does not outrun his discretion will deny that in matters which are of greater moment than material progress Victoria is also advancing.

That the great majority of citizens have the utmost confidence in the business acumen of the Mayor and Council was amply demonstrated by the readiness with which funds were voted during the year for every project put forward. It was this confidence and harmony between people and representatives which made progress possible. That confidence must not be destroyed, it is perhaps needless to point out, if progress is to continue and the works which yet remain to be done are to be initiated and completed. The public will consequently learn with regret that two of the most efficient and painstaking of the present Board of Aldermen have announced their intention of retiring. We think we express the general sentiments of citizens when we say it would have been exceedingly gratifying had Aldermen Pauline and Cameron found it possible to continue in office for another year at least. Possibly if pressure were brought into action these most efficient servants might be induced to reconsider their determination. In any case, if their decision should be unalterable, let us hope that if successors equally experienced cannot be selected from the material offering, the qualification of candidates may be satisfactory in other respects. According to a precedent which is seldom departed from, Mayor Hall is entitled to another term. But apart entirely from custom, on his record he should be elected without opposition. The work of a Mayor of Victoria can never be finished; but Mayor Hall should be permitted to complete his work as far as the conditions will permit.

PRESIDENTIAL WRATH.

His Majesty King Theodore, whose sceptre is the Big Stick, cannot be said to have carried off all the honors in the great combat of words with the New York World. Whatever credit there may be in bringing a huge vocabulary of sonorous epithets into action redounds beyond question to Mr. Roosevelt; but the dignified reply of the editor to the presidential trade seem to prove that the awesome political war club of the White House has no terrors for the free and independent press of the United States. It may be quite true that there is no truth whatever in the New York World's story about funds voted by Congress for the acquirement of rights at Panama having been wrongfully applied. Indeed the general opinion will be that it is merely a political yarn; yet surely it would have been the wiser part had the president preserved his dignity, and either treated the matter with contempt as a concoction of a yellow journal or asked the House to investigate, get the facts, and publish the truth to the world. But that is not the manner in which President Roosevelt is in the habit of doing business. He is essentially a political warrior of the type which aims at crushing down criticism by the sheer force of vituperation and invective. He asks Congress to take up his quarrel with the whole of the might of the great republic to back it up. For what purpose? To lay a puny editor by the heels and make an example of him before the whole of the ninety millions of the United States and the whole world. It is like bringing one of his great Dreadnoughts into action to pulverize a mosquito. It may be doubtful whether Congress will take the quarrel quite so seriously as the president does. The representatives of the people elected according to divisions may not look upon the dispute in quite the same light as does the elected representative of the collected people. The members are themselves sometimes aroused to jealousy by the sight of a waving Big Stick. They occasionally furnish evidence of a disposition to resent dictation. If Joseph

Pullitzer has been actually guilty of lese majesty, the probability is that the victim of his malice may be made to feel that such things are the natural fruits of "free institutions." The World man will hardly be reduced to the extremity of launching his bolts through the loopholes of a Bastille.

The Colonist apparently thinks it has a grievance because attention is occasionally called to its misrepresentations and garblings of the utterances of the Prime Minister during the late election campaign. The Times frequently during the campaign drew the attention of its contemporary to a fact, which it knew, that it was misrepresenting Sir Wilfrid Laurier in quoting him as saying he "did not care for" the sentiments of British Columbia upon the subject of Asiatic immigration. Yet it continued its dishonest and contemptible practice until its purpose had been served. Then it felicitates its readers that it really prefers truth to falsehood it publishes the correct report of the Prime Minister's speech. The Times would have been justified in using much harsher terms than it did in drawing attention to the Colonist's conduct. Our contemporary is apparently not absolutely callous, because it appears to be somewhat put about now that almost the entire press of the country, regardless of party, is directing attention to its shameful conduct.

Of course there is urgent necessity for another cabinet minister in the government of British Columbia. The ministers are palpably overworked. One of them has spent a quarter of the year on a holiday in Great Britain. Another's duties are so arduous that he lives in Vancouver and spends the major portion of his time there attending to his private business. The others are doubtless equally busy in the work of attending to departmental business, but they contrive to steal away occasionally to various parts of the province, sometimes to the far-eastern provinces, upon political missions which may or may not be entirely in the interests of the public. The population of British Columbia is not greater than a city of very moderate size, yet it requires a cabinet of six ministers and a legislature of forty-two members to transact its business, besides numerous municipal bodies to assist. There does seem to be something disproportionate in our system of government.

Let us see about those great modern Marathon runners. Did not Hayes beat Dorando in the race which was finished in the British Stadium? Then Dorando vanquished Hayes in a race of the same distance in Madison Square Garden, New York. Yesterday Longboat ran Dorando off his feet over the same ground. Is the question of which of the trio is the best man definitely settled? The fact that the first contest was limited strictly to amateurs, while in the others the champions were professionals, competing for bets and gate money, may throw some light into the dark places of the minds of persons who cannot understand the complexities of the situation. The attendance at the race between Longboat and Dorando was so large that there will undoubtedly be another contest for the benefit of all the dupes who have dollars to spare. Even a professional athlete must live.

All is quiet in the disturbed waters along the coast of Venezuela. Although two of the warships of the fugitive president of the puny but pugacious republic have been seized by the Dutch, not a shot has yet been fired in anger. No declaration of war has been or will be issued. That is a method of warfare eminently suited to the times and the season. If the great powers will but take a leaf out of the book of the Dutch and the Venezuelans, it will be a sign that "the world do move." It will also be a fine thing for the worshipping "common people," who in their persons and their purses have to bear the principal part of the brunt of the quarrels of their rulers.

There are fewer signs of disloyalty to the Empire to be found in Canada than in any other portion of the British realm, not even excepting Great Britain herself. Yet men with half the alphabet annexed to their names as a sign of their title to intellectual eminence, are constantly discovering, at long range, signs of political unrest in this country. If the sentiments frequently expressed on the floor of the British Parliament were uttered in the Canadian House of Commons we wonder what persons of the type of Professor Mackinder would have to say about it.

The London Times says it regrets the publication of the articles reflecting upon the integrity of the Grand Trunk Pacific Commissioners. The Times correspondent, fell into bad company in Canada, which mistake proved his lack of intelligent discrimination and his unfitness for the task to which he had been assigned. The Canadian electors on the 26th of October expressed their opinion of the company-in question and incidentally condemned the Times's criticisms.

A Roosevelt enraged is a more terrible figure than our own Sam Hughes defying his Tory colleague Fowler in the Canadian House of Commons.

The treasures of the Louvre are now guarded by watch dogs.

To-night's 7.30 Specials

To-night we offer as specials some of the more useful articles for gifts. Any of these things would make desirable and welcome presents, and the values are particularly attractive.

7.30 Sale of Boys' Fancy Suits

\$4.50 SUITS TO-NIGHT FOR \$2.75

An offering of a quantity of FANCY SUITS FOR BOYS. These suits are of the sailor and Buster styles, made of light, medium and dark fancy tweeds and woaded, also plain serge in navy. They are prettily made with embroidered collars and silk ties and finished with belts. Very attractive little garments for boys, ranging from three to nine years. Regular price \$4.75. 7.30 to-night ... **\$2.75**

Solid Leather Suit Cases To-night

REG. \$6 TO \$35, TO-NIGHT, \$4.90 TO \$21.75

A 7.30 sale of SUIT CASES and our very best solid leather ones that; all qualities are included up to our high grades. They come in 22 inch, 24 inch, 26 inch and 28 inch sizes and are the best makes only. Shown in various shades of tan and brown. A snap for the person that travels much, a boon to the person that wants to make a useful and sensible gift, that is what this 7.30 sale of suit cases is. Values from \$35 to \$6.00. 7.30 to-night, \$21.75 to **\$4.90**

More Xmas Furniture Specials

7.30 Sale of Novelty Chairs

To-night we continue our special Christmas sale of furniture, with some exceptional values on a new lot of Parlor Rockers. We mention herewith a few of the values from our long list of newly arrived stock.

ROLL FRONT ROCKER, golden oak, \$9.00.	7.30 to-night \$5.00
COBBLER SEAT ROCKERS, worth \$3.50.	To-night, 7.30 \$2.50
COBBLER SEAT ROCKERS, worth \$5.50.	7.30 to-night \$4.50
ROLL FRONT SEAT ROCKERS, Regular \$6.75.	7.30 to-night \$5.75
SADDLE SEAT ROCKERS, Regular \$8.00.	7.30 to-night \$6.75
SADDLE SEAT ROCKERS, Regular \$9.00.	7.30 to-night \$7.50
ROLL FRONT ROCKERS, Mahogany, Regular \$9.00.	7.30 to-night \$8.00

Sale of Handsome Piano Drapes

REG. \$2.50 TO \$4.50 FOR \$1.50. REG. \$4.75 TO \$6.50 FOR \$2.50.

A quantity of handsome Piano Drapes on sale to-night. Rich, handsome goods, made of Japanese Silk, beautifully embroidered in silk and gold thread, with borders of silk fringe.

Reg. \$2.50 to \$4.50 Drapes

7.30 TO-NIGHT
\$1.50

Reg. \$4.75 to \$6.50 Drapes

7.30 TO-NIGHT
\$2.50

7.30 Sale of Women's Gloves

KID GLOVES WORTH TO \$1.25 FOR 85c

KID GLOVES on sale to-night; short gloves with one and two dome fasteners; Glace Kid in tan, grey, brown and beaver; Suede in black. Excellent qualities; both lines are well worth the full price, but as a Christmas special we will sell these Gloves, worth up to \$1.25, at 7.30 to-night **85c**

Christmas Books and Stationery

This section of the store is now a busy place, and wise people are making their selections now rather than later on. You get a better selection now, and if you intend sending articles any distance it is necessary to mail them at once.

Christmas Stationery, Cards and Calendars

CHRISTMAS STATIONERY, a splendid assortment at all prices, starting at 25c	CHRISTMAS POST CARDS, per dozen 25c
CHRISTMAS CARDS, a tremendous assortment, at each, 25c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 50c	CALENDARS, a big assortment, nicely boxed, at prices ranging from \$1.75 to 5c
	CHRISTMAS CARDS, in boxes, at per box, 25c, 35c and 50c

Christmas Books for Adults

LEATHER BOUND POETS, beautifully bound gilt tops, the following great poets, Shakespeare, Coleridge, Cowper, Burns, Scott, Dante, Gems of National Poetry, Wordsworth, Tennyson, Moore, Cook and Ingoldsby Legends. Price, per volume \$1	PRESBYTERIAN HYMN BOOKS, each, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50
LEATHER GIFT BOOKS, a large assortment of titles, assorted covers, price 60c	BIBLES, cloth bound, each, \$1.00, 50c and 25c
LEATHER BOUND POETS, from \$1.00 to \$3.75	BILL NYE'S RED BOOK 75c
METHODIST HYMN BOOKS, 35c, 60c, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.75	BILL NYE'S COMIC HISTORY OF ENGLAND 75c
WHAT HAPPENED TO JOHNSTON, 75c	COMIC HISTORY OF UNITED STATES, price 75c
	HOW TO HUSTLE, price 75c
	A HUSTLER'S YARNS, price 75c
	TWENTY YEARS' HUSTLING, price, 75c

Christmas Books for Boys and Girls

HENTY BOOKS FOR BOYS, Colonel Thorndyke's Secret, The Golden Crown, The Cornet of Horse, Hidden Foe, Aujub the Juggler; Among the Malay Pirates, The Curse of Carnes Hold, The Young Midshipman, The Boy Knight, Jack Archer, and others. Price, each 35c	L. T. Meade, Rosa Carey and Mrs. Wetherall Books for Girls, each 35c
	Books by Louisa Alcott, for girls, We Girls, Shawl Straps, Little Men, Old Fashioned Girl, Lulu's Library, Silver Pitchers, Eight Cousins, and others. Price, each 50c
	GIRLS' REALM, price \$1.75

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REGULAR \$65 TO \$75, TO-MORROW, \$48

These are very rich, handsome TURKISH EASY CHAIRS, upholstered in the very best manner; one horsehide. The very highest class upholstery throughout a magnificent line of the best grade goods at Christmas Sale Prices. Regular values \$65 to \$75. To-morrow, each... **\$48.00**

To-morrow a Sale of Battenberg Linen

\$1.50 TO \$4.50 PIECES, TO-MORROW, \$1.00

A sale of FANCY GIFT LINENS, the Battenberg style. A handsome lot of splendid designs in centrepieces, size ranging from 24 inches square to 36 inches square. The centres are made of fine Irish Battenberg Lace in handsome patterns. The regular values of the lines offered here are from \$1.50 to \$4.50. To-morrow's special price **\$1.00**

Men's \$1.50 Coat Sweaters, To-morrow, \$1.00

This is sure to be good news for some men. These COAT SWEATERS are the most popular and scarcest articles on the market to-day. This lot we got hold of at a snap and offer them at this unusual price. They are in a good weight, colors grey trimmed with green, red trimmed with green, plain red, and navy trimmed with red. Regular value \$1.50. To-morrow **\$1.00**

Christmas Linens on Sale To-morrow

THE MOST ACCEPTABLE GIFTS OF ALL AT SAVINGS

LINEN RUNNERS, size 18 x 54, scalloped, embroidered edge, two rows of drawn work. Regular \$1.50. To-morrow... **75c**
 LINEN TEA CLOTHS, size 30 x 30 and 36 x 36, embroidered and drawn work. Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50. To-morrow **75c**
 LINEN TEA CLOTHS, size 36 x 36, embroidered and drawn work. Regular \$1.50. To-morrow **75c**
 LINEN TEA CLOTHS, circular style, thirty inches diameter, embroidered and drawn work. Regular \$1.00. To-morrow **50c**
 LINEN CENTRE, circular style, 24 inches diameter, scalloped and embroidered. Regular 50c. To-morrow **25c**

Buy Him a Safety Razor for Christmas

And if you do he will certainly have something pleasant to remember you by. For the man that has not experienced the pleasure and comfort that comes with the use of a safety razor, there is certainly much in store for him, provided he gets the chance to try and use one. Buy him one of these for Christmas and make him happy.

GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR OUTFIT, at \$13.50	THE DIVICO SAFETY RAZOR, at \$7.50 and... \$3.50
GILLETTE SAFETY RAZORS, at \$9.50, \$7.50, \$6.50 and \$5.00	THE KALITA SAFETY RAZOR, at \$1.00
	GILLETTE BLADES, per set \$1.00

Christmas Time Is Slipper Time

Nothing makes a more appreciated gift for man, woman or child than slippers. They are among the most useful and best presents that any person can make. Our stock is very large and well assorted. We can please anybody, no matter how particular they are. We mention a few lines, but invite an inspection while the range is complete. You get the benefit of the Spencer prices on these articles, a big inducement to those who know, and worth looking into for those who do not.

MEN'S SUPERIOR QUALITY DONGOLA KID ROMEO CUT SLIPPERS, turn soles, black or tan, \$2.00 and **\$2.50**
 MEN'S HIGH CUT CAVALIER SLIPPERS, hand turned soles, American manufacture **\$3.50**
 We have a large and choice selection of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Evening Slippers.
 WOMEN'S WARM FELT JULIETS, fur bound, hand turned soles, in black, red and brown **\$1.50**
 WOMEN'S VELVET JULIETS, fur bound, purple, green, red and wine colored **\$1.50**
 WOMEN'S FELT BEDROOM SLIPPERS, blue or dark red, at **50c**
 CHILDREN'S FELT SLIPPERS, 20c, 25c, 35c and **50c**
 MEN'S FELT BEDROOM SLIPPERS, 50c, 75c, \$1 and **\$1.50**
 MEN'S KID EVERETT SLIPPERS, hand turned soles, \$1.25 and **\$1.50**

**GIFTS FOR "HIM"
GIFTS FOR "HER"**

Shaving Sets, an exceptionally fine line, from \$5.00 to \$15.00
 Handkerchiefs, \$2.50 to \$5.00
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 Work Baskets, the handsomest ever shown in Victoria, \$1.50 to \$4.00
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 Clothes Brushes, \$1.50 to \$2.50
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TIMES AD. CALENDAR

DECEMBER 16

Of course you will make more trips to the stores this month than in any other of the year—and you should read ads. more carefully than you have ever done. Everything that makes a store interesting to gift-buyers should be told in its ads.

Local News

—Sewing machines, needles and oil—
 Waites Bros., 641 Fort street.

—Another shipment of Japanese oranges in. No. 1, selling at 75c per box. Acton Bros., 650 Yates street. Telephone 1061.

—Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for grate and heater. Cameron Lumber Company, Ltd. Phone 910.

—To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

—Christmas stockings from 10c to \$1; Bon-Bons, from 25c to \$1.50. A good assortment to choose from. Come early before the rush. Acton Bros., 650 Yates street. Telephone 1061.

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 Also undressed dolls in great variety. Dolls' Cradles, Dolls' Perambulators, Dolls' Houses, Dolls' Tea Sets, etc.

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 DEWAR'S SPECIAL, per bottle 1.00
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Carne's Up-to-date Grocery.
 Next to C. P. R. Office. Phone 586. Cor. Fort and Govt. Sts.

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Pacific Transfer Company.
 Phone 249, 50 Fort St.

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—Men's Sock Special—Fine English wool black cashmere socks, special price 25c a pair, 5 pairs for \$1.00. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

—Pacific Sheet Metal Works, 921 View street, sole agents New Idea Furnaces. All kinds of sheet metal work, roofing, etc. Phone 1772.

—Flannelette Special—36 inches wide striped flannelette, regular 15c, special 10c a yard. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

—Nevada Silver—It is the same metal right through, nothing to wear off. Nevada silver tea spoons at \$1.15 and \$1.50 doz.; dessert spoons, \$2.75 doz.; table spoons, \$3.50 doz.; dessert forks, \$3 doz.; table forks, \$3.50 doz. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas street.

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 Give your boy a Ticket for Christmas

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 Suspenders, 50c to \$1.50
 Men's Fancy Handkerchiefs, from 50c to \$3.00
 Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, \$1.25 to \$4.00
 Cane, \$1.00 to \$15.00
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STRICTLY FRESH EGGS, per dozen 55c
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See our grand bargains just now in FANCY CHOCOLATES AND OTHER XMAS NOVELTIES you need.

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Diamond Rings

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For low-priced Gifts see our Xmas Trays; overflowing with fine suggestions for gentlemen, ladies and children; prices 25c to \$2.00

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—The local bank clearings for the week ending yesterday were well up in average. They totalled \$1,225,235.

—The Christmas tree and festivities will be held at the Orphanage, Hillside avenue, on Tuesday, December 23rd, from 3 to 5 o'clock. It is rumored that Father Christmas himself will give away the prizes in person.

—A special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board of directors will be held this evening. Tea will be served at 6 o'clock. Wm. E. Sweet, president of the Y. M. C. A. at Denver, Cal., who was the chief speaker at the convention held at North Yakima, will address the meeting.

—The Garrison Dramatic Club will give an entertainment at the Work Point theatre this evening. This will be the first of the series of entertainments to be given during the winter, and the curtain will be raised at 8.30 o'clock. All members of the Imperial Service Club are cordially invited to attend.

—The funeral of the late Robert Croft took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Blanchard street. Rev. T. E. Holling conducted the services and the following hymns were sung: "Abide With Me" and "Jesus Lover of My Soul." There was a large number of sympathizing friends present and many beautiful floral offerings were sent. The following acted as pallbearers: Col. R. Wolfenden, George Cruickshank, J. Keith Wilson, E. E. Wootton, James Andrews and F. A. Grant.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 2, 1908.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that on the 13th day of November, 1908, I lost a horse which was insured in the British American Live Stock Association, Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., and have this day received a settlement in full for the amount of my claim, which was \$200. Thanking you very much for prompt attention in this matter. Yours very truly,
 (Signed) J. W. COLE.

Golden, B.C., Dec. 11, 1908.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that I have this day received their cheque for \$100 on account of loss of a horse insured with the British American Live Stock Association, Vancouver, B.C.

Dated this 11th day of December, 1908, at Golden, B. C.
 (Signed) WILLIAM SHAW.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

Enjoyable Concert and Dance in A. O. U. W. Hall.

The St. Andrew's Society monthly dance, held last night in the A. O. U. W. hall, was as usual a great success, about one hundred couples being present. A first-class musical programme was first rendered, after which refreshments were served, and dancing commenced.

A pleasant feature of the entertainment was the presentation by the president, Mr. Riddell, on behalf of the society, of a handsome souvenir to Mrs. Manson as a slight token of the esteem in which she is held, and an appreciation of her many acts of kindness to the society.

The following took part in the programme: Bagpipe selection, Edward Wishart; songs, by James Taylor, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Waddington, Alexander Herbinson, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor; fine selection by Mrs. Knott; club singing, William Mott; piano selections, Miss Florence Angus; violin selection, Mr. Robson; selections by the pipe band. Miss Fisher's orchestra supplied the dance music.

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LONGBOAT BEAT DORANDO PEITRI

ITALIAN COLLAPSED IN SIGHT OF GOAL

Eleven Thousand People at Grounds to See Event.

New York, Dec. 16.—As on that memorable occasion of his first Olympian, Dorando Peitri collapsed within sight of the goal last night and Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian runner, who had been led by a yard or more nearly all the way, won the Marathon race at Madison Square last night.

The race was hard fought from start to finish and kept the thousands of spectators in wild excitement. At 22 miles Dorando was leading by two yards. A moment before Longboat had made a remarkable spurt and put himself on even footing with the little Italian. Dorando immediately regained first position, and the men were fighting it out in the 26th mile, with Dorando in the lead, but visibly weakening. The chances of Longboat appeared to improve in the second and third laps. In the fourth lap while the crowd was crying their hoarse, both men slackened perceptibly. Then suddenly Dorando staggered and dropped. Longboat finished alone, his time for the 26 miles 35 yards was 2:45:25.

The Marathon fever drew a gathering of over 11,000 people to the stadium, and many men and women were still fighting for admittance by 9 o'clock when the race was scheduled to begin. The distance of the race was the same as when Dorando defeated John J. Hayes, the English Olympiad champion, on the same track, 26 miles 35 yards, which over the ten-lap track means 262 laps and 53 yards.

The race started at 9:11 o'clock. Longboat won the toss, and took the pole position. Dorando jumped into the lead and led a steady pace with the Indian a few feet back. Both were running easily but at a good clip. The first mile was made in 5:14.5. Dorando leading two yards.

At five miles Dorando was leading by two yards. Time, 28:27.4-5. Longboat took the lead early in the third mile but held it for three laps only. Dorando letting out a link in his speed and running around the Canadian. Dorando then continued in the lead, and at the finish of the tenth mile was running at a steady, fast gait two yards ahead of his opponent. The time for the ten miles was 58 min. 57 sec., which is 1 min. 2-3 sec. faster than the time made in the Hayes-Dorando race for the distance.

There was practically no change between the tenth and fifteenth miles. Dorando leading at the latter distance by three yards. The time for fifteen miles was 1 hour 36 min., 2-3 sec.

UNPOPULAR VERDICT IN PAPKE-KELLY FIGHT

Chicago Man Has Best of Middleweight Champion in Drawn Battle.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 16.—Hugo Kelly, of Chicago, and Billy Papke, former middleweight champion, fought 25 fast rounds at the Jeffries Vernon arena last night. At the close of the final round, with both men fighting strong, Referee James J. Jeffries called a draw. Kelly left the ring without a mark, while both of Papke's eyes were closed and his cheek bones pounded to a pulp.

The draw decision was loudly protested by Kelly's backers, and the majority of the 4,500 spectators. The fight was fast from start to finish. The men tired in the last ten rounds, and Referee Jeffries was forced to fight both men to break in a clinch. Kelly almost won the fight in the first minute when he beat Papke to the ropes, and had the "Himits Thunderbolt" groggy. At various stages throughout the fight either one man or the other seemed to be winning by a knock out, but each boxer recovered and fought stubbornly. Kelly did the cleaner hitting all through, though Papke was the aggressor in every round. In the last few rounds Papke seemed entirely blind with both eyes apparently completely closed.

The men fought at 158 pounds, and both seemed in perfect condition.

BASKETBALL GAMES PLAYED OFF TO-NIGHT

Second and Third Series This Week—Y. M. C. A. Saturday.

The local basketball series will be continued to-night in the intermediate and junior divisions with the matches between North Ward and Victoria West, and Y. M. C. A. and Esquimalt in the former division, and Esquimalt and Victoria West and Shamrocks and Y. M. C. A. and North Ward and High School in the latter.

The referees for the intermediate games are Hughes and Malcolm, and in the junior matches C. Mason, Donaldson and Hughes. Friday night the intermediate games down are Bays and North Ward, and Victoria West and Shamrocks, while the same night in the junior league the Bays will play Esquimalt and the High school meets the Shamrocks. The match between the Victoria West and the Shamrocks for the same night has been reset for the 23rd.

Y. M. C. A. League.

Saturday night at the Assembly rink the Seattle Y. M. C. A. basketball team will come to Victoria and play the local Y. M. C. A. five in the Y. M. C. A. coast league. The match will commence at nine o'clock. Victoria beat Bellingham here, and Bellingham was also beaten by Seattle last Saturday. Victoria, however, gave the lumber city Y. M. C. A. boys the worst beating of the two, and on form ought to have enough to beat the Seattle players. The game, however, is expected to be close and exciting. Local Y. M. C. A. team is in good condition having been getting ready for the game for the last two weeks, and will have a strong five in the line-up.

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BURNS' FIFTY-THIRD FIGHT ON FRIDAY WEEK

Long Record Since 1900 Shows Big Majority of Knock-outs.

Christmas night (Canadian time), Tommy Burns, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, will fight Jack Johnson at Sydney, N. S. W., for the championship. Johnson will be the first negro to ever have the opportunity of holding a world's championship title. Burns won the title in May, 1907, from Jack O'Brien, against whom he got a decision at Los Angeles after twenty rounds. Since then he has fought eight battles but none of his opponents have been able to go any distance with him, the best being Bill Squires in their last fight in Sydney, which went thirteen rounds before Squires took the count.

Burns' complete record is as follows: "K" is knockout; "W" win on points; "D" draw, and "L" defeat.

Table of fight records for Burns, listing opponents, dates, and results (e.g., K-Fred Thornton, Detroit, 1900, Win; K-Archie Steele, Detroit, 1901, Win).

THE TRACK. Irving H. Wheatcroft, owner of St. James' stable, has now secured the service of the lightweight jockey, E. Martin, who will ride for him at Arca-dia this season. Martin headed the jockey list at Latonia, Jerome B. Reap-pass, the employer of Martin has, however, made the contract conditional on Martin being recalled should Reap-pass need him.

Mr. Wheatcroft has made sixty-four nominations to the Santa Anna stakes, and with the long string should be prominent on southern race tracks. The Lexington purchases are now en route to Los Angeles.

THE VANISHING WHALER.

Only a short time ago, too, I saw a notice in an obscure corner of a newspaper that a whaling vessel had sailed from Preston—of all places in the world—for the southern seas on a whaling voyage. And I have no doubt that others have slipped away from obscure ports without any flourishing of trumpets, intent upon garnering some of that hitherto wasted marine wealth in the otherwise desolate southern seas.

The once immense business dwindled away for many reasons, but chiefly, I am sure, because the method of conducting it was antiquated, obsolete. The American whalers were the very smartest of their kind; their intrepidity and skill were truly marvelous, but they were not beyond the pale of progress, and did not adopt the modern methods which alone would have enabled them to compete with the products of the Standard Oil Company.

That attitude has been abandoned, though American whaling is now almost entirely conducted by Portuguese, and indeed, the American whalers are being elbowed aside by the representatives of other countries, "outsiders" whom they once looked upon with contemptuous pity for thinking they understood the art and mystery of catching sperm whales.

Now there is very little art, and no mystery, about capturing the leviathan. Danger there is, and will still continue to be, for the wonderful giant in his flurry or death agony is capable of performing some amazing feats of agility and strength, but with the perfection of modern whale-slaughtering apparatus even that danger has almost disappeared. And so of necessity has most of the romance.

I can imagine no keener disgust than that felt by the real sportsman when watching a tame pheasant battle, or when going through the abattoirs at Chicago. Such disgust do I feel, though no sportsman, at the thought of the noble sea beast, the mighty and yet harmless monarch of the illimitable main, being assassinated by the conscienceless anarchist's weapons of bombs and poison. Sadly I feel that the renaissance of whaling, profitable as it will doubtless be in a financial sense, has brought with it an almost entire destruction of what was once certainly the most manly and romantic sport in the world.—London Daily Mail.

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MAKURA PAYS FIRST VISIT

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Specially Constructed to Meet Needs of Canadian-Australian Route.

Probably there has been no steamer call at this port heretofore that has been anything like as luxuriously fitted as the new Australian liner Makura, which arrived from Australia last evening. She stands high out of the water and carries on her initial trip a very light load, so that she had the appearance of a floating castle. She is of 8,075 tons register, and is commanded largely by officers who were formerly on the Marama. Among these were Captain Gibb, who is in command, and also the purser, first officer and steward. The chief officer and the ship doctor, Dr. Briggs, were transferred from the Marama.

The captain reported having had a very fair trip. Coming through the tropics there was a good deal of wind, which kept things cool just at the right time. As the ship got farther north, however, strong northwest winds and high seas, with rain, made the weather cold and unpleasant. On one occasion the seas came overboard and smashed in the door of the purser's office, with the result that many of the papers were soaked with salt water.

Among the passengers were: B. T. Rogers, of the B. C. Sugar Refinery, who had been in Suva in connection with his business; Mrs. R. A. Alley, manager of the Alley line of steamships; S. Turner, a noted mountain climber, and Alex. Hume Ford, of Honolulu, who is connected with a tourist bureau. Other passengers were: Misses C. Parrish, Cliff Taylor, C. Hay, G. Graham, M. Coombs, Coulter (2), McKean, Dicks, Dunstan (4), Carter, Bell, Goss, Woolley, H. Davis and Porter; Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. Cliff, Mrs. Hinton, Mrs. Whybrow and son, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Thorsen, Mrs. Wales and son, Mrs. Fraser and son, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Brew, Mrs. Cresce, Mrs. Parker and son, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Redpath and two children, Mrs. Tajah and child, Mrs. Davis and child, Mrs. Rutherford, Mrs. Branson, Mrs. Kinsella and two children, Mrs. Yalloe and child, Mrs. Preston and child, and Messrs. C. Osborne, T. Mappin, A. Hinton, A. Whybrow, G. E. Tilton, Sewell, W. Page, D. Church, H. R. Moore, T. Thorsen, W. Wales, J. Fraser, T. Coulter, Dr. Denovan, Fuicher, Harrington, G. Chandler, W. Howard, H. Piper, H. Williams, Grant, V. Hoar, Nye, Rutherford, J. O'Meara, V. Marigay, F. Jervis, G. Robinson, W. Lord, Brandon, T. Buchanan, E. Burner, J. Whiting, H. Denny, D. Woolley, J. Irwin, J. Donald, J. B. White, J. Stehn, J. Kahler, D. Wardrop, J. West, A. H. Osborne, J. Black, W. Vickers, W. Scott, W. Harlock, J. Barrett, A. O'Connor, A. Stilwell, L. MacIntosh, T. Lasmussen, M. Stubbs, D. Hayes, R. Lowrey, R. Tingold, Valloe, G. Dignaur, J. Krebs, A. Sadowski, J. Harding, Nepon and C. Silverman.

A small consignment of freight was landed here, consisting of 75 bags of coffee, 32 crates of pineapples, 30 cases of preserved meats, and 15 barrels of coconut oil. For Vancouver she brought 5,462 sacks of sugar, 3,127 packages of frozen mutton and a quantity of butter, oranges, coffee, jam, canned meat, wool, skins and lumber.

According to reports brought by the passengers a good deal of interest was taken in Australia, the newly formed Labor government, and especially in

VADSO BRINGS NEWS FROM QUEEN CHARLOTTE

Masset Visited on Recent Trip—News of Big Earthquake.

Steamer Vadso arrived from Prince Rupert and was port at noon today. She will not leave for the north this week, but will take the Venture's run next week, pulling out of Victoria the day after Christmas day. This will give the officers and men an opportunity to spend Christmas at home. The Venture when she arrives will be pulled out of the water and overhauled.

ONLY LADY MANAGER OF A STEAMSHIP LINE

Mrs. R. A. Alley on Visit to Coast—Does Not Find Duties Exacting.

Aboard the Canadian-Australian liner Makura, which arrived in port yesterday, was an interesting personality in Mrs. Richard A. Alley, who holds the unique distinction of being the only lady manager in the world of a steamship line. Mrs. Alley took over the reins of management of the Alley line's Indravelt and Den of Ruthven, which ply between this port and New Zealand, about a year ago on the death of her husband. Prior to his death she had acted as his secretary, and thereby gained an insight into the managerial duties which she now regards as quite simple. She is a comparatively young woman and extremely vivacious.

Mrs. Alley some months ago interviewed both the Canadian and Australian governments with the object of getting an increased subsidy for her line of vessels. She asked for \$25,000 from each government, and gave the understanding that in the event of their acquiescing she would build an up-to-date steamer on the Clyde to augment the service. The Canadian government was willing to give the subsidy on condition that the New Zealand authorities would do the same, but the latter balked and the affair collapsed. When negotiating for this subsidy Mrs. Alley carried out all the plans herself, interviewed the ministers of both Canada and New Zealand, and it is understood displayed a wide knowledge of shipping affairs. Her present visit is to Vancouver, and while in Canada she will probably interview the government on the subject of the renewal of the present subsidy to her line. Her home is in New Zealand.

When asked if the cares of her office did not weigh heavily on her, Mrs. Alley replied that she found her duties no more exacting than those of a lady journalist, a lady graduate, a lady doctor, or any of the other professions in which the fair sex engage.

Steamer Londale is not expected to arrive from Mexico until about Saturday.

BARQUE MAGDALENE BUFFETED BY STORM

Trying Experience While in Tow in Straits Yesterday.

The adventures of the German four-masted barque Magdalene did not end upon gaining an anchorage in Port Angeles Bay Sunday night. Picked up by the tug Wanderer to tow to Tacoma, the vessel was for several hours yesterday thrashed about in the strait by a terrific southeast gale before a dangerous anchorage off Cattle point in the San Juan Islands could be gained.

BRITISH SHIP HAS STORMY VOYAGE

The Monkbarns Sustains Damage on Trip From Liverpool to Sydney.

A long and sensational voyage of 123 days from Liverpool to Sydney was concluded just before the steamer Monkbarns left Australia. She arrived with some damage on deck, the rigging strained and a very tired crew.

Captain Parry said he had hardly had a proper sleep out of his clothes for close on three months, as the ship was beset by frequent gales, which constantly required his presence on deck. The Monkbarns experienced fine weather to the Equator. On the 40th day out she ran into a hurricane, which raised mountainous seas, and tons and tons of water constantly thundered aboard, flooding and washing her fore and aft. She was then in 24 S. 25 W., and for two whole days she was handled unmercifully by the elements. The great seas, sweeping her decks, burst in the galley door and flooded the fore-castle. Other damage was done about the deck. At times the ship was running lee-ward under, although she was under a greatly reduced sail area. During the worst of the weather the ship laid over to such an angle that some of her cargo shifted.

On October 27th another gale assailed her, and she got a severe tossing for a couple of days. Again on November 3rd the weather became very bad, the position of the Monkbarns being then 41 deg. south 146 deg. east, and she was severely handled. These blows were interspersed with heavy weather, which kept the crew hard at it. Cape Otago was sighted on November 5th, and Wilson's Promontory was passed on the 8th. After that the Monkbarns fought her way up the coast in adverse weather.

SHIPPING LUMBER. Schooner Going to Load and Barque Leaving Chemalmus Mill.

The American schooner Lyman D. Foster passed up to Chemalmus today, to load lumber. She is a small vessel of 602 tons, and has recently arrived from the Sound from Callao. It is not known here to what port she will take her lumber, but it is expected that she will take it to Callao.

The tug Lorne is today taking the barque Inverclyde out to sea from Chemalmus, where she has taken on a full cargo of lumber.

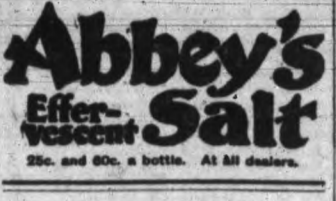
Steamer Belfast, carrying gypsum from Tacoma to Vancouver for Evans, Coleman & Evans, struck on a rock and sank in Deception Pass on Friday night. The crew escaped in boats and the vessel has since been raised and towed to Everett.

Steamer City of Nanaimo remained all day yesterday at the outer wharf on account of the rough sea outside. She left for Nanaimo during the night.

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TESTING LIABILITY OF ELECTRIC COMPANY

Interesting Case Has Come Before Judge Lampman Today.

An interesting case, involving an important point of law, is before Judge Lampman and a county court jury today. Frank Crompton, Heywood street, is suing the B. C. Electric Railway Company for \$1,000 damages for injuries and loss of time resulting from a shock received on December 26th last from an electric light wire. The company sets up the defence that there was contributory negligence on the part of Crompton and that in any event the action is barred because it was not entered within six months of the occurrence.

The plaintiff relies largely as to the liability of the company, on a clause in the original charter under which the company is working in part, holding it responsible for all injury or damage sustained, thus doing away with the question of negligence on either side. In such case it would merely be a question of the amount of damage. This is the first time the point has been brought up.

The following jury was sworn: R. H. Swinerton (foreman), A. Johns, Elias D. Dowler, R. McFadden and E. W. Millington.

J. A. Alkman is acting for the plaintiff and A. E. McPhillips, K. C. for the company.

The plaintiff said he had been working in the B. C. Telephone Company's employ a year ago, apprenticed as an electrician. He went down to the cellar to cut wood and in some way his saw touched the wire. This was the last he knew for twenty minutes. His shirt sleeve was set on fire as a result. For two weeks the doctor treated him at home and then he had to go into the hospital to have some skin grafted on his arm from his leg. He was nearly four months out of work and lost his apprenticeship, besides being put to considerable expense.

Cross-examined, he denied ever telling Mr. Goward that he had received a slight shock and then put on a rubber glove to handle the light.

Mrs. Elizabeth Easton, who was a neighbor of the Crompton's and whose light wire came from the same pole, also received a shock on the evening in question. She put out her hand to turn the switch when she received a shock which threw her down.

This was the plaintiff's case, the matter of medical attendance being admitted in the absence from town of Dr. Ernest Hall.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the company, told of a visit from Crompton to complain of the accident. The young man said he had put his hand on the light to move it and got a slight shock. He touched the wire and got another and then went upstairs and got a rubber glove, with which on he moved the light.

Mr. Alkman witness said he had not admitted the company's liability nor had he promised to pay half if the city would pay the other half because a city arc light wire crossed the company's. To further questions he stated that without admitting any liability he said he would see if the city would do something. If it had the company would have paid something. Mr. Goward said he understood the wires had become crossed in trees-tops in the high wind which prevailed that day. This was the first case of an accident of this kind in his seventeen years' experience.

George M. Tripp, electrical superintendent of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, explained how wires get crossed. The trees in which the wires got crossed in this case were the property of the city, as were the poles on one occasion when it was stopped in the work of trimming the trees. The pole opposite the Crompton house was the property of the company and the city placed an arc light wire on the pole, without permission so far as he knew. Wires could become crossed without touching by a wet branch of a tree forming the connection. The secondary wire, carrying 110 volts into the house, must thus have become crossed with the high pressure wire, carrying 2,000 volts, or the city arc light wire.

Juror Dowler asked if the fuse did not blow out when too strong a current came along.

Mr. Tripp explained that what the fuse prevented was the overloading of the wire, but it did not govern the intensity of the current. A very high

SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lazo, Dec. 16, 8 a. m.—Clear; calm; barometer, 30; temperature, 35. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 16, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; barometer, 29.97; temperature, 37. Passed in steamer Ataskan at 7.55.

Tatoosh, Dec. 16, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind east 10 miles; barometer, 30.07; temperature, 40.

Estevan, Dec. 16, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind east; barometer, 30.0; temperature, 21. Sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 16, 8 a. m.—Clear; light westerly wind; barometer, 29.91; temperature, 22. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 16, noon—Clear; light northwest wind; bar. 30.10; temp. 40; sea moderate; at 10.30 steamer Cowichan to the south.

Point Grey, Dec. 16, noon—Clear; wind north; bar. 29.98; temp. 44; passed in steamer Iroquois at 8.50, and Joan at 9.20.

Tatoosh, Dec. 16, noon—Clear; wind, E. 15 miles; bar. 30.0; temp. 44; passed out, fishing schooner, Allan at 10.45; passed in steamer Thor at 10.50; also 2 masted steamer at 11.15.

Estevan, Dec. 16, noon—Clear; wind, N. E.; bar. 29.95; temp. 29; sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 16, noon—Clear; calm; bar. 30.02; temp. 40; sea smooth.

PANTAGES THEATRE. Salome Dance Attracts Attention—Other Splendid Features.

The Salome dance of La Lole Helene in "A Vision of Salome," at the Pantages theatre, is a great attraction this week. There is an absence of regular stage dancing in this feature which represents the ancient times in its character. La Lole Helene possesses beauty and grace, combined with enough dramatic intensity to make her work attractive.

The seven Hawaiians with their stringed orchestra, which accompanies the melody of their native songs, is a big feature in itself.

Francisca Marraet, the Venetian violinist, does some wonderful execution, and is called back again and again at each performance.

McCum and Grant are among the best acrobats that have been seen here, and the picture song, "Rainbow," and a great spectacular motion picture on the biograph complete the all star show.

Steamer Titan left Yokohama on the 13th for this port with a large freight bill, and is expected to arrive here the day after Christmas Day.

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TESTING LIABILITY OF ELECTRIC COMPANY

Interesting Case Has Come Before Judge Lampman Today.

An interesting case, involving an important point of law, is before Judge Lampman and a county court jury today. Frank Crompton, Heywood street, is suing the B. C. Electric Railway Company for \$1,000 damages for injuries and loss of time resulting from a shock received on December 26th last from an electric light wire. The company sets up the defence that there was contributory negligence on the part of Crompton and that in any event the action is barred because it was not entered within six months of the occurrence.

The plaintiff relies largely as to the liability of the company, on a clause in the original charter under which the company is working in part, holding it responsible for all injury or damage sustained, thus doing away with the question of negligence on either side. In such case it would merely be a question of the amount of damage. This is the first time the point has been brought up.

The following jury was sworn: R. H. Swinerton (foreman), A. Johns, Elias D. Dowler, R. McFadden and E. W. Millington.

J. A. Alkman is acting for the plaintiff and A. E. McPhillips, K. C. for the company.

The plaintiff said he had been working in the B. C. Telephone Company's employ a year ago, apprenticed as an electrician. He went down to the cellar to cut wood and in some way his saw touched the wire. This was the last he knew for twenty minutes. His shirt sleeve was set on fire as a result. For two weeks the doctor treated him at home and then he had to go into the hospital to have some skin grafted on his arm from his leg. He was nearly four months out of work and lost his apprenticeship, besides being put to considerable expense.

Cross-examined, he denied ever telling Mr. Goward that he had received a slight shock and then put on a rubber glove to handle the light.

Mrs. Elizabeth Easton, who was a neighbor of the Crompton's and whose light wire came from the same pole, also received a shock on the evening in question. She put out her hand to turn the switch when she received a shock which threw her down.

This was the plaintiff's case, the matter of medical attendance being admitted in the absence from town of Dr. Ernest Hall.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the company, told of a visit from Crompton to complain of the accident. The young man said he had put his hand on the light to move it and got a slight shock. He touched the wire and got another and then went upstairs and got a rubber glove, with which on he moved the light.

Mr. Alkman witness said he had not admitted the company's liability nor had he promised to pay half if the city would pay the other half because a city arc light wire crossed the company's. To further questions he stated that without admitting any liability he said he would see if the city would do something. If it had the company would have paid something. Mr. Goward said he understood the wires had become crossed in trees-tops in the high wind which prevailed that day. This was the first case of an accident of this kind in his seventeen years' experience.

George M. Tripp, electrical superintendent of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, explained how wires get crossed. The trees in which the wires got crossed in this case were the property of the city, as were the poles on one occasion when it was stopped in the work of trimming the trees. The pole opposite the Crompton house was the property of the company and the city placed an arc light wire on the pole, without permission so far as he knew. Wires could become crossed without touching by a wet branch of a tree forming the connection. The secondary wire, carrying 110 volts into the house, must thus have become crossed with the high pressure wire, carrying 2,000 volts, or the city arc light wire.

Juror Dowler asked if the fuse did not blow out when too strong a current came along.

Mr. Tripp explained that what the fuse prevented was the overloading of the wire, but it did not govern the intensity of the current. A very high

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voltage was possible with but a small amount of electricity.

City Electrician Hutchinson, who examined the wires in connection with a claim made at the time against the city, said the current could not have been carried from the city wire to the company's low pressure wire. The insulation had worn off the latter in places.

Asked by Mr. McPhillips how he could tell that from 35 feet below a slender wire Mr. Hutchinson said the insulation was plainly to be seen hanging down in threads.

The court is hearing argument on the legal points this afternoon.

An informal discussion was held last night by members of the Citizens League on the question of the selection of aldermanic candidates for the coming election. Candidates endorsed by the league will have to support local option and moral reform. The meeting took place in the Y. M. C. A. but no definite results were reached. An adjourned session taken till the call of

the chair. Rev. A. J. Thompson was in the chair and others present were A. J. Pineo, Rev. G. W. Dean, J. Martin, Mrs. Spofford, A. J. Brace and R. W. Coleman.

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CANNOT MUZZLE NEW YORK WORLD. (Continued from page 1.) public reports concerning the Panama canal affair, which resulted from Wm. Nelson Cromwell's appeal to the district attorney's office during the recent campaign to prevent the publication of a story which is said to be in the hands of the Democratic national committee. It was Mr. Cromwell's own action which raised the issue in the campaign. "It is true also that when Mr. Roosevelt made his attack upon Delavan Smith, the World called attention to certain statements which Mr. Roosevelt must have known to be false or misleading, and appealed to a full and impartial investigation. If this be treason let Mr. Roosevelt make the most of it. "Mr. Roosevelt's lamentable habit of inaccuracy statement makes it impossible to accept either his judgments or his conclusion. In his message he does not state correctly, even so simple a matter as the pretended causes of his grievances. "The World has never said that Chas. P. Taft or Douglas Robinson made any profits whatever. Mr. Taft denied that he was concerned in the transaction in any way, which denied the World published and accepted. It would have been equally glad to print Mr. Robinson's denial could it have succeeded in obtaining one from him, as it frequently attempted. The World has no evidence that he was associated with Mr. Cromwell, and would accept his word to that effect. For Mr. Robinson is an estimable gentleman of high character, whose reputation for veracity is infinitely better than that of this distinguished brother-in-law. "If the World has libeled anybody, we hope it will be punished, but we do not intend to be intimidated by Mr. Roosevelt's threats or by Mr. Roosevelt's denunciations or by Mr. Roosevelt's power. "No other living man so grossly libeled the United States as does this president, who besmirches congress, bulldozes judges, assails the integrity of courts, slanders private citizens, and who has shown himself the most reckless, unscrupulous demagogue whom the American people ever trusted with power and authority. "We say this not in anger but in sorrow. The World has immeasurably more respect for the office of president of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt has ever shown during the years in which he has maintained a reign of terror and violated the honor of both public officials and private citizens who opposed his policies or thwarted him in his purposes. "So far as the World is concerned, its proprietor may go to jail if Mr. Roosevelt succeeds as he threatens, but even in jail, the World will not cease to be a fearless champion of free speech, a free press and a free people."

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GRAIN MARKET. (By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Chicago, Dec. 16. Open. High. Low. Close. Wheat—1000 1000 1000 1000. May 97 97 97 97. July 97 97 97 97. Sept. 97 97 97 97. Corn—1000 1000 1000 1000. May 61 61 61 61. July 61 61 61 61. Sept. 61 61 61 61. Oats—1000 1000 1000 1000. May 52 52 52 52. July 52 52 52 52. Sept. 52 52 52 52. Pork—1000 1000 1000 1000. Jan. 15.70 15.65 15.57 15.65. May 15.65 15.65 15.52 15.62. Lard—1000 1000 1000 1000. Jan. 9.12 9.12 9.10 9.10. May 9.35 9.35 9.30 9.35. July 9.47 9.47 9.47 9.47. Short Ribs—1000 1000 1000 1000. Jan. 8.12 8.12 8.12 8.12. May 8.42 8.42 8.40 8.42.

COPPER MARKET. (By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Boston, Dec. 16. Bid. Asked. Adventure 51 51. Arctic 51 51. Atlantic 51 51. Boston Cons. 51 51. Butte Coalition 51 51. Calumet & Arizona Co. 51 51. Canadian 51 51. Copper Range 51 51. Cumberland 51 51. Daily West 51 51. First National 51 51. Grandby Copper 51 51. Globe Cons. 51 51. Greene Cananea 51 51. Helvelia 51 51. Isle Royale 51 51. Keweenaw 51 51. La Salle 51 51. Maas 51 51. Michigan 51 51. Miami 51 51. Mohawk 51 51. Nevada-Utah 51 51. Nipissing 51 51. Nevada Cons. 51 51. North Butte 51 51. Old Dominion 51 51. Parrot Mining 51 51. Quincy Copper 51 51. Shannon Copper 51 51. Superior & Pittsburg 51 51. Superior Copper 51 51. Superior & Boston 51 51. Tamarack 51 51. Trinity 51 51. Victoria 51 51. United Copper 51 51. U. S. Smit. & Ref. 51 51. Do. pref. 51 51. Utah Copper 51 51. Winona 51 51. Wolverine 51 51.

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BIG TOBACCO BLAZE. Penrod, Ky., Dec. 16.—The Tobacco factory of Lewis Kirkpatrick, and 25,000 pounds of tobacco owned by the H. N. Martin Co., of Louisville, were destroyed by fire yesterday, presumably of incendiary origin. The Martin company had recently purchased the tobacco from the Tobacco Growers' Association. It is believed the factory was fired by Night Riders.

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LOCAL FIRM STARTS OPEN STOCK MARKET. Buyers and Sellers Can Bid in Maysmith's New Exchange. N. B. Maysmith & Co., stock brokers, Mahon block, Government street, have now established an open stock market for the active local and British Columbia and Northwest mining and industrial stocks. Sellers and buyers are invited to meet at the new exchange and have their prices posted on the board for public observation. On a sale being made the seller is charged a commission according to the scale of the office which is also open to public inspection. Mr. Maysmith, in talking over the matter this morning, pointed out that sellers and buyers of stocks can bid without cost and the charge for a sale being effected will fall only on the seller.

ELITE BOWLING LEAGUE. Asklund's Team Defeats Fairall's Five in Opening Game. On the Elite alleys last night in the opening game of the house league, J. Asklund's team defeated W. Fairall's team by 115 pins. The scores are as follows: 1st. 2nd. 3rd. 7th. Ave. J. Asklund 129 163 184 467 155. W. McNeil 97 132 146 375 125. R. Hurst 148 136 135 391 125. R. Thompson 95 112 109 316 96. T. Renfrew 111 103 85 299 99. 571 618 669 1848 614. 1st. 2nd. 3rd. 7th. Ave. W. Fairall 148 129 154 439 144. H. Pettifore 121 104 118 345 115. A. Harris 109 117 123 349 119. E. Greenshaw 107 99 90 297 95. J. Bell 101 114 87 302 100. 584 576 572 1732 575. High score, J. Asklund, 184, and high average, 155. Tonight T. Hick's team will play A. Mudge's five. The directors of the Provincial Dairyman's Association will meet at Eburne on January 1th. The annual meeting will be held on the 20th of January at a place to be fixed later.

"TASSE" SCHEME IS ENDORSED. (Continued from page 1.) years ago Victoria was about as large as it is today. Vancouver was being at that time cleared of stumps; Seattle was little better than a sawmill town. What a change in twenty years! "Of course the conditions governing these three places are entirely different. Vancouver and Seattle are bound to become great commercial cities, Victoria cannot hope to compete along these lines, but can grow in the same proportion as a magnificent residential city, and as such would consist of a population of enormous wealth. This wealth would not necessarily be idle; the development of this rich island would afford the citizens of Victoria the greatest opportunities in the world for investment. "The eyes of Canada are to-day directed towards Vancouver Island, no matter where you go you hear remarks relative to its natural resources. Outside capital is demonstrating its faith in your city, and island, and most assuredly up to the present time they have not been disappointed. Why not exploit these resources yourselves? To-day many people who have made their fortunes quickly on the prairies are looking for some place to retire and let their capital work for them. To my knowledge number of these people have gone to California as a result of the attraction of the up-to-date and beautiful residential cities of that country. "This same wealth and citizenship could be brought here and the old timers of this city would be the gainers. "Not only retiring Canadians but Eastern Americans who are gradually showing a preference for this mild Pacific slope, could be influenced to come to this city just as well as they are being persuaded to settle in California. I do not think there is a spot in California which has the climate this city has the year round. "It is my firm belief that the provincial government in conjunction with the citizens of Victoria can take steps that will result in a few years in making this city the best known and finest residential city on the North American continent. To my knowledge nature has not been as good to any other place; therefore, it is for man to complete what nature has begun. If these steps were taken I feel sure that the change in this place in the next five or ten years would be beyond the hopes of the most sanguine. "I understand that there is at the present time a body of energetic citizens endeavoring to do all in their power to influence the government, as well as the citizens, to take a decided step in the right direction. The immediate results from such an action, were it properly advertised, would more than repay the government for its outlay. "The expenditure that the C. P. R. has made here in the past two years has alone had a great influence on the middle west, and on that account alone a great many of these have turned their eyes towards Victoria as a place of investment. "The values of property in this city today are very reasonable. Make this the residential city that it ought to be and the business will follow: "With the development of this island the increase in business in this city would be enormous. "I am glad to see that the old timers of Victoria who are as a rule looked upon as extremely conservative, are commencing to invest in and develop properties in this city which have up till recently laid idle. The opportuni-

ties for investment are here and who should derive more benefit than Victorians themselves. "I am glad to say that I am interested considerably myself in the reality of this city and have every confidence in its future. "In conclusion I must say that I heartily endorse the plans that are being arranged and the efforts that are being made towards beautifying Victoria, and I am proud to say that I hope some time in the future to make this city my permanent home."

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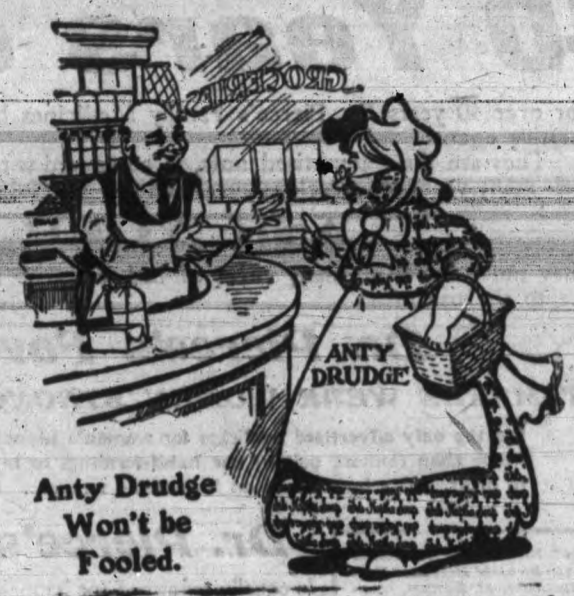
SOCIAL EVENTS

Miss Luffan has gone on a short trip to Vancouver. Mr. and Mrs. Roper, of Kamloops, are visiting the city.

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS FAIR MADE MONEY

Over \$2,000 Goes to Funds as Result of Function.

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On Tuesday, December 29th, the next of the Victoria Musical Society's concert, will be given in the Victoria theatre.

The following interesting description of the personality of Miss Katharine Goodson and the impression that the English pianist made on her initial appearance in Boston is given by E. H. Clement in the Boston Transcript:

"On her first appearance on the stage the English girl captivated her Boston, and it is now wholly hers even to the inner circle within the 'best circles'.

"Mrs. Shallcross 'at home' on Tuesday afternoon was a very enjoyable function. The entertainment took the form of a musicale. Mrs. McLaren, Miss Helen Peters, Miss Grylls and the Misses Shallcross taking part.

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MICROBE'S BUSY HOURS.

French Professor Says That Festive Bacilli Have Their Office Hours and Holidays.

Professor Miquel, of Montsouris, announces that as the result of long study he finds that microbes have their busy hours in the day, besides being fewer or more numerous according to the season of the year. In December and January their number diminishes; in July and August it increases. This is easily explained by the greater dryness of the air, in which dust floats for a longer time in the summer. "But it is less easy to explain," says the professor, "according to the Paris Matin, why, in the same day the number of microbes per cubic centimetre of air varies with the hours. It is at 9 o'clock in the evening that we find them abroad in the atmosphere in the greatest numbers. At 3 o'clock in the morning and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon their number is comparatively much smaller."

The Matin, after remarking that M. Miquel knows the personal habits of nearly every individual microbe in Paris, diffidently enunciates a theory. "At 9 o'clock in the morning the microbes troop out to work; at 3 o'clock in the evening their workshops are emptied. "Those who have been working 'indoors' go for a stroll on the boulevards to take the air before going snugly to bed in our lungs. And at 3 o'clock in the morning, except for a few belated revellers, all respectable microbes have returned 'chez eux,' that is to say, 'chez nous.'"

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INNER HARBOR IMPROVEMENT

COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER PROJECT

Thos. Sorby Outlines Some Features of the Project.

The Inner Harbor Association of Victoria met yesterday afternoon in the city hall, when ten members were present with G. A. Kirk in the chair. There were present also Mayor Hall, Thos. C. Sorby, secretary-treasurer; Senator Macdonald, M. Young, P. Raymond, Capt. Grant, F. W. Vincent, A. J. Bechtel, A. B. Frazer, and W. G. Winterburn. The secretary read the annual report as follows:

"Your board of management begs to report, for the information of the members of this association, that work on the lines of the plan submitted by us, and adopted by the federal government has been steadily proceeding with."

"The rocks that heretofore were a menace to navigation between Laurel Point and the C. P. R. wharf have all been removed and the bottom dredged clear to a depth of 18 to 20 feet at low water, and the drill boat is now removing the rock east of Songhees Point to the same depth."

"The new dredge Ajax is making excellent progress deepening the entrance to the harbor off Shoal Point to 20 feet at low water. This steamboat channel is now carried through the bar out to deep water and is expected to be 160 feet in width before the end of the year."

"The work in the basin of upper harbor comprises the removal of about 1,250,000 cubic yards of mud and about 10,000 cubic yards of rock and it is proposed to utilize some 500,000 of this waste material over the low marshy land in the valley on the Indian reserve and in filling in the bays and indentations of the foreshore behind a concrete retaining wall, forming a quay, the surface of which would be about six feet above high water mark. The hydraulic dredge can, however, only be used profitably where the waste material is applied to works of reclamation. The estimated cost of this work was \$150,000 towards which \$50,000 was provided in the estimates of this financial year. The resident engineer considered that by the time the work on the steamboat channel and James Bay up to the railway bridge was completed the work in the basin of the upper harbor should be well advanced and the whole completed in about three years. A portion of this basin has recently been dredged to the full depth of 25 feet at low water in pursuance of this plan."

"4. Your board made representations to the Hon. Mr. Templeman calling attention to the necessity of amending the rules and regulations of the management of the harbor of Victoria, and he referred the matter to a committee composed of the late Capt. Cox (chairman), Captain Froug and the harbor master, Captain C. E. Clarke. This committee held several meetings and carefully revised and extended the provisions of the Canada Shipping Act (R. S. of C. Chap. 113), and reported the matter to Mr. Templeman, for the information of the government with a view to the governor in council making special rules and regulations for the government of the harbor of Victoria."

"5. In accordance with resolutions passed on the 13th September, 1905, your board sought an appointment with Mr. Marpole to receive a deputation of the members of this association representing shipping interests, with reference to the obstruction to the free navigation of the waters of the harbor caused by the railway swing bridge. Finding themselves unable to arrange a meeting your board laid the case fully before Mr. Marpole in writing, calling attention to the excessive time required in opening the swing bridge, the delays to shipping incidental thereto, (and also due to the railway traffic over the bridge), and further to the fact that the central pier was set against the stream creating an obstruction in the fairway to and from the upper harbor. We also pointed out that as the shipping business of the port increases with the development of the facilities, movement with the increased traffic over the railway, (as it may be expected to do in the near future) this impediment to the free

navigation of the waters of the harbor will assume still more serious importance, demanding more up-to-date methods of handling this bridge across the harbor.

"6. In view of the expected increase of trade along the north Pacific coast, following the opening of the Tehuantepec railway, with its direct lines of steamships to European Ports, and also the approaching completion of the Panama canal, the ports of San Francisco, San Diego, Portland, Tacoma and Seattle are planning immense works of improvement of their harbors amounting to millions of dollars. It is equally necessary that Victoria should make every possible endeavor to attract shipping to this port and provide all possible facilities for the most rapid and economical transshipment of merchandise and for that increase of tonnage entering the harbor that is sure to follow this central American development. Ships time being valuable, they seek the quickest dispatch, the speediest and most economical repairs and a commodious harbor."

"7. During the last fifteen years the trade of the North Pacific ocean has more than tripled itself. Victoria, geographically the western gateway to Canada with every natural advantage in its favor, good open water, with few storms, and with the improvements that are now being made in the waterways of approach (thus making trade possible) these advantages and claims should be enhanced by good wharves, commodious warehouses, power cranes and cranes, with railway tracks along the wharves to facilitate the most rapid handling of merchandise inwards and outwards."

"8. We have to record our deep regret at the loss the association has sustained in the lamentable decease of Captain J. G. Cox. We owe much of our success to his valuable assistance and advice and feel deeply his sudden death."

"It is the object of this association to advance the systematic improvement of the harbor with a view to securing free and safe navigation, over waters and fostering the trade and industries of the port. We seek therefore the combined support of all persons interested in the commerce and industries of the city of Victoria as the best means of attaining the object in view."

"G. A. KIRK, Chairman.
THOS. C. SORBY, Sec.-Treas."

The chairman, G. A. Kirk, said he was sorry the member for the city was not present. He had been invited to hear the views of the association. Union was strength, and there had been a lot done by worrying the government in the past, and the association would continue to worry them in the future. They would have quite a large harbor if the basin was dredged. The government seems to have the matter at heart and the commission has reported favorably on the matter. The appropriation last year was \$60,000 and he hoped the same would be appropriated this year. The original estimate for the work was \$150,000. There was no doubt there will be a great trade from across Mexico and the opening of the Panama canal would increase trade here. If they could get more members to push this thing along it would be for the good of the town.

Senator Macdonald thought an estimate of money spent and left should be obtained, and the balance of the grant applied for. They might get a share of the railway grant. He thought the report very satisfactory.

Mr. Sorby explained he had written three times for the figures, but had not yet received them. He, however, was assured it would come.

The speaker spends considerable time in Nanaimo, and he was curious to see if the Nanaimo expenditure was charged to the Victoria harbor.

Senator Macdonald said that ships of 5,000 tons could now come into the inner harbor if it were properly dredged. It was pointed out that the difficulty with the inner harbor was the turning.

The election of officers resulted in the appointment of G. A. Kirk as chairman for the ensuing year. The retiring board, consisting of Messrs. Kirk, Capt. Grant, Sayward, Rechtel, Capt. Troup and Sorby, with Mr. Rebbeck taking the place of the late Capt. Cox, was re-elected. Mr. Sorby was re-elected secretary.

matter again for Mr. Barnard's benefit

The object, he explained, was to put the railways and shipping companies in direct touch with the waterfront.

Senator Macdonald said when placing the scheme before the government an estimate of the income from the improvements should accompany it.

A resolution that the matter of improving the harbor as outlined should be taken up by the board of management was carried and the meeting adjourned.

NELSON ZINC WORKS START OPERATIONS

Initial Run Proves Successful—Gold Brick From Sheep Creek.

Nelson, Dec. 15.—The Canada Zinc works here, where an experimental run has been going on for some time, started out today on a regular reduction run, the initial run having proven entirely satisfactory. An official statement will be given out tomorrow.

The successful starting of the new zinc reduction works means a great deal for the mining industry in Kootenay, and incidentally is an important addition to Nelson's growing list of active industries.

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"UNDER A CURSE"

Ten Thousand Deaths From Famine in Uganda.

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The request having been granted, the governor on September 19th transmits a report by the deputy commissioner, George Wilson, giving a detailed account of the administration of the famine relief, and mentions the fact that though fully 10,000 persons must have succumbed to starvation, yet ten times more would have perished but for the timely and exceedingly skilfully organized aid rendered by Mr. Wilson. The concluding telegram of Lord Crewe conveys an expression of appreciation of the good work done by that gentleman and others who assisted him, and notifies approval of the governor's proposal to recoup the cost of relief by doubling the hut-tax next year, if the condition of the people should then appear to justify this step.

OFFERS TO INSTALL SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Chicago Firm Submits Proposal to Ladysmith City Council.

(Special Correspondence.)

Ladysmith, Dec. 14.—The meeting of the city council passed off very quietly last night. There were a number of inquiries from various parts of the Dominion and the United States as to the nature of the bonds the city is issuing. One letter in particular from a Chicago firm seems, on the face of it, to vouch for the installation of a city sewer. This firm wrote that they had specialized in sewer work, and were equipped to handle any size of contract. If satisfactory terms could be agreed upon they would put in the whole system here and take up the debentures in payment. Mayor Nicholson pointed out that this was the best offer that had ever been made to them. Of course they had called for tenders on their bonds, and they could go no further with the matter until the end of the month. He was not forgetting that they were trying to sell both electric light and sewer debentures together, but he thought it very likely that if a firm such as this in Chicago would take the debentures in payment for their contract it would be the best possible advertisement for the town, and would certainly forward the sale of the electric light bonds. The letter was filed for further reference. The only other business taken up was the starting of a laundry on First avenue. A Chinaman bought some property and set about fitting it up for laundry purposes. There were complaints from the residents. Ald. Campbell was appointed to look over the property, and he reported that there was no means of getting the waste water away. Mayor Nicholson pointed out that according to their by-laws a laundry could not be started up on an avenue in such premises as those under question. It was decided that the owner should be notified that if he proceeded with the laundry business he would be prosecuted.

The clerks in the town are striving for the continuance of the Thursday half holiday, and the closing of the stores at six o'clock every night except Saturday. The clerks have enjoyed these privileges for two years and the public have raised no protest. One or two of the stores, however, have shown a tendency to break away from the agreement or custom, and the clerks are organizing a vigorous crusade to retain their privileges.

The Parrott bowling alley is being transformed into a skating rink.

Under the auspices of the Football Club the Watkins Tennessee Jubilee Singers will give a concert in the opera house on Thursday evening. After the concert the Star orchestra will give a dance.

"HOME, SWEET HOME" IN MAORI.

Madame Ada Crossley is one of a brilliant galaxy of Australian artists in song and symphony who are described in the Christmas number of Cassell's Magazine. "When touring in New Zealand," we are told, "a great reception was accorded her at a railway station, requests presented, and so forth. Many people asked for flowers, but one old Maori demanded, not a bud, but a flower from her hat, saying, 'The real one will fade, the other won't; that's why I want it.' Madame Ada Crossley has many treasures and gifts—souvenirs. One of the most prized is a 'tik', which is a sort of native talisman, consisting of a piece of bone carved as a little god. It was taken from the body of a dead Maori chief. These 'tik's are rare and valuable. The native chiefs wore them on the eve of battle; if killed, they were buried with them; if successful, they are handed down from father to son as heirlooms. Madame Ada Crossley had 'Home, Sweet Home,' translated into Maori, so as to sing to these highly intelligent people in their own language. Naturally their delight was great, and they showered New Zealand treasures and curiosities upon her."

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Many mothers will echo the conclusion expressed in a very interesting and suggestive letter written by Mrs. Zacharia Pollock, of Grand Bay.

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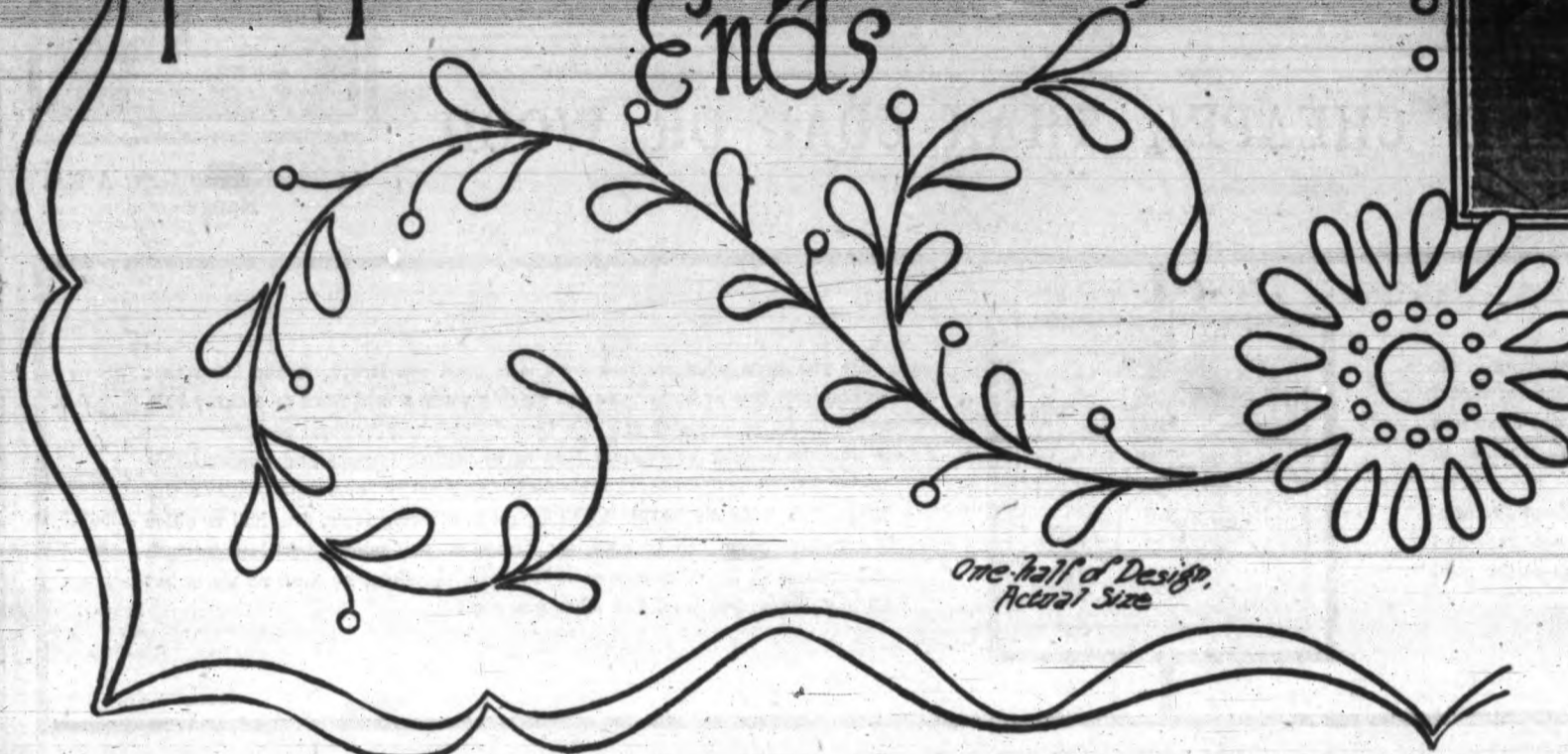
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Working Detail

Ribbon Embroidery

WHILE the foundation for most of this work is heavy watered silk or poplin, peau de sole, raw silk and velvets may be used with good effect.

The ribbons are of soft silk, with smooth edges, not even a cord, and range from the narrowest, an eighth of an inch wide, which sell for 4 cents a yard, or 50 cents a piece, to one inch wide. These are only used for large roses, and must be used very sparingly or the work will look heavy.

The very narrow ones, and those about three-eighths of an inch, are the best for the small flowers, and may be used for nearly any design.

Before the work is begun the material must be basted on a piece of crisp, open-weave canvas, which will not allow the silk to crease, and will still be open enough to draw the ribbon through easily.

It is best to buy a paper of needles (crowd, 2 to 3, with points), and thread one with each color to be used; this will prevent the ribbons from crossing, by constant threading, and if half yard lengths are used, by the time the ribbon begins to look stringy it will be time for a new length.

Several times during the working of a flower draw the ribbon through the fingers to smooth out any creases, and it will keep fresh much longer.

There must be no knots, half an inch of the ribbon being left on the wrong side when the flower is begun, and the same when the last stitch is taken, with any color.

The ribbon may be carried across from one flower to another, if the distance is short; otherwise cut and start afresh.

After the design is stamped or drawn on the silk, take the first stitch from the outer side of the petal (it is better always to work from the outside in toward the center of a flower), and folding the ribbon back from the petal, hold in place with the left hand until the stitch has been taken near the center and the thread drawn nearly through; now straighten the ribbon, which may be twisted, and release the fold in the left hand, and the ribbon will run through perfectly straight. If this precaution is not taken, and the ribbon is drawn through twisted, ever so slightly, it is almost impossible to straighten out again without leaving creases.

In the case of tiny flowers one stitch will nearly always be enough for each petal, but the upper large petals of violets will need two; these should not be of the same length, but placed so that the petal follows the uneven outline of the flower.

Stems, and there should not be many, are worked in close in outline stitch, and flower centers may be French knots of the same, or be made of tiny puffs of ribbon. As the soft, "mussy" effect is the main feature of this work, be very careful not to draw the ribbon too tight, or this will be lost.

After all the ribbon work is done, and the stems and centers are in place, paste the loose ends on the wrong side, flat, using a little library paste; then tack the work smoothly, with a few pins, on a flat surface, right side up, until quite dry, when it is ready to make up.

TOWEL and dresser scarf ends are always favorite pieces of linen with the housewife.

This is particularly true since the fancy for hand embroidery has given a wide scope for originality of design and methods of work employed in the decoration of these scarf or towel ends.

It is really surprising, when one stops to think of it, what a large variety of designs for this purpose are offered.

No housewife is so busy these days but that she can find a few spare moments to devote to a little fine needlework on her household linens.

The designs given today are particularly appropriate, artistic and easy to work.

The Work Bag

THE workbag is such a useful bit of fancy work that somehow its popularity seems never to change, and each season brings with it some new attractive design.

The most attractive bags can be made of the bright, dainty, flowered ribbons which come for that purpose. They are so charming in themselves that very little hand work is needed to add to their beauty.

The workbag which is gathered very full on a round covered circle is always a favorite. It can be made of silk or any other suitable material. Sometimes a manila mat or a Japanese tray is substituted for the bottom instead of the covered circle of cardboard. This makes it a little unusual.

In making a full gathered bag with a ruffle at the top, care should be taken to have the frill wide enough, for so many bags are spoiled by not allowing the necessary width for the frill. It looks better to have it too wide than too narrow.

A spacious workbag is very acceptable to any woman who is making some large article, and to whom a small bag would not be of much service. In making a bag of this size the width of the material should be used, unless it is very wide, then a piece can be taken off. It is made a yard and a quarter long, which will be ample. Sew featherstitch across each end, and then gather the selvage on each side as closely as possible; fasten it so that the two pieces meet. Two pieces of ribbon tie the bag together in the center, and handles are made by ribbons, fastened with a big bow, and gathered on the two sides when the material is gathered up. When the bag is open it opens wide, so that everything in it can easily be found.

A design for a smaller workbag, which is also very practical, is made with an embroidered Bulgarian linen band, four by eighteen inches wide, which gives the necessary support to the sides and holds them upright.

A piece of changeable green or red silk is used for the lining and top and also for covering the bottom. When the embroidery is finished the band should be cut out along the stamped lines, and, after sewing the ends together, the edges should be turned under and fastened near the bottom of the long piece of tinted silk, which, before this, has been sewed together, and made into a bag with a casing at the top. The design on the linen is of large leaves, which are tinted in the center with green, while the edges of the leaves are worked in a darker shade of green in the terra cotta, with smaller dots of brown.

Outline the stems and edges of the band with Japanese gold thread. When the top is finished it should be overhauled by a cardboard circle, covered on both sides with the silk, and fastened at the top and bottom of the silk bag with gold thread. Ribbon for drawing strings is run through the casing to complete the bag.

Attractive little workbags are made of flowered and plain ribbon whipped together, and each part where it is joined is featherstitched. The bag is then gathered and sewed on a piece of round cardboard covered with silk and lined with a dainty color. The casing is also featherstitched, and ribbon to match the plain ribbon of the bag is run through to draw it up.

If one will use white ribbon with violets on it, then violet for match for the alternate piece, and featherstitch the seams in violet, also using violet for the lining, with the same color ribbons for drawing strings, the result will be charming. A little violet sachet sprinkled between the outside and lining will add to its attractiveness.

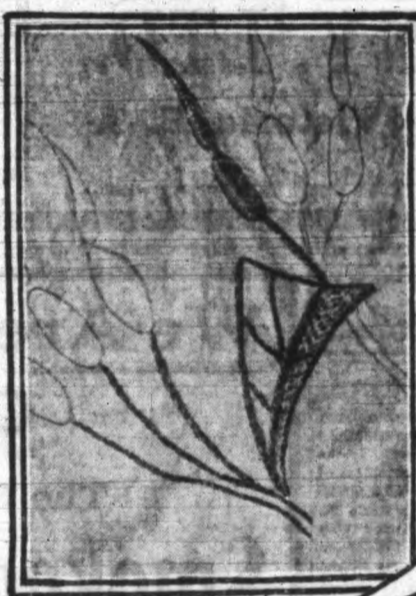
Many of the new bags are gathered on two hoops, which serve for handles, and are easily carried over the arm. These hoops are covered with ribbon and finished with bows of the same where the casing is worked on each side. One of them can be worked with a design of ribbon embroidery in small pink roses and green leaves, with the lining of green silk and the ribbon also of green.

There are many ways to be used with an ordinary workbag. In that when one is looking for a particular article, it is generally at the very bottom of the bag, and everything will have to be turned out of it before it can be found. Some ingenious person has made one with little circles attached, in which can be put many necessary small things which will be found in their proper places when they are needed. Silk and ribbon four inches wide will be enough. Cut it into six pieces and make a hem on one end of each piece to be used as a casing for baby ribbon. Then turn this end up on itself and make a bag about three inches deep. Whip the edges of the ribbon together up to the hem, sew a piece of narrow ribbon across the underedge of the little bag, and run the baby ribbon through this, and stem through the hem. This will make the drawing strings for the little bags. About four yards of baby ribbon will be sufficient, which is to be cut into twelve equal parts.

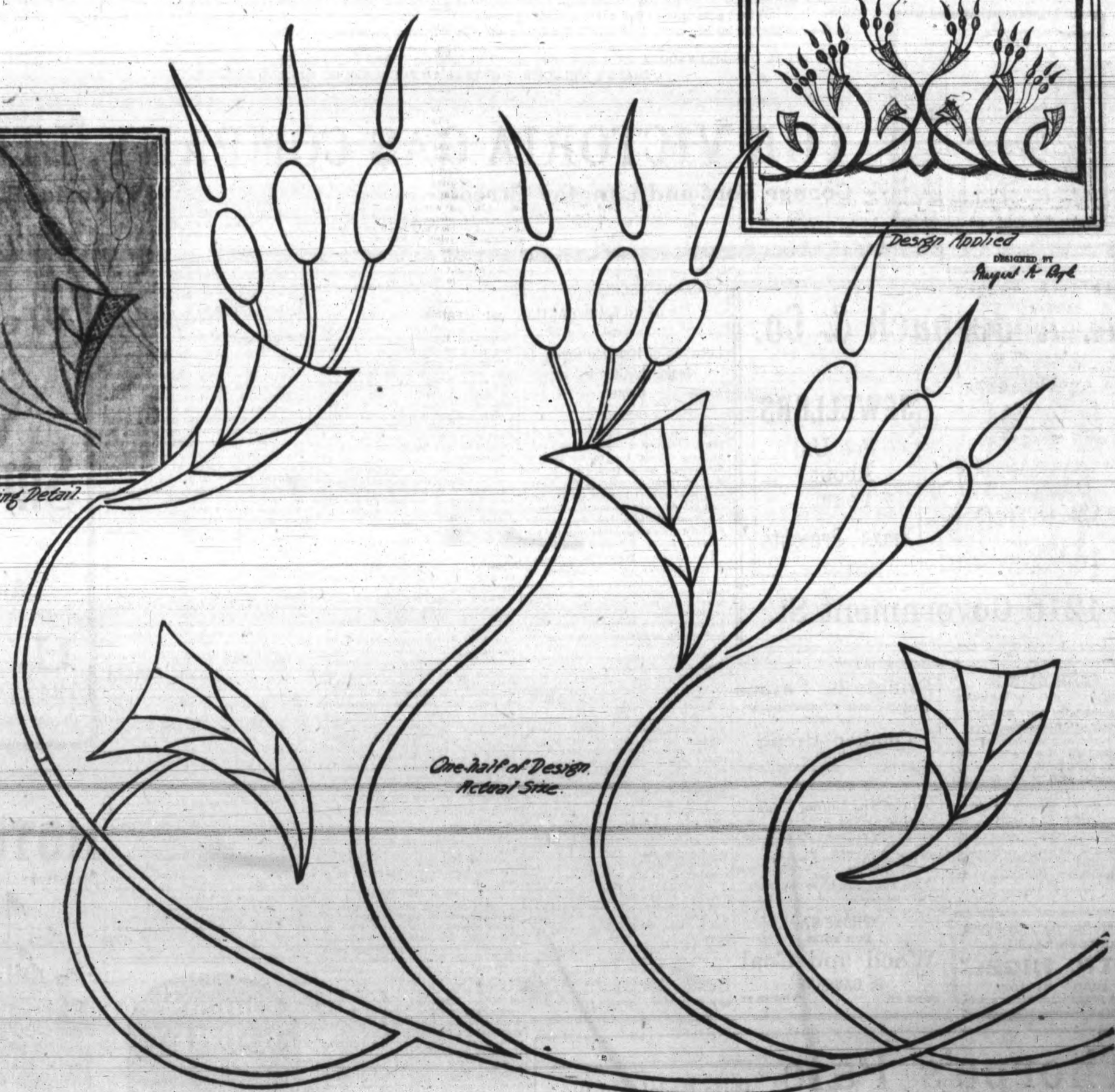
When the little bags are finished, they are placed at equal distances around the outside circle, turning the ribbon under about two inches, so that it will extend beyond the edge about an inch and a half. After this the bag can be finished on the machine by running two rows of stitching on the edge one inch apart. This joins all together securely, the outside, the lining and small bags, and also makes a casing for the drawing strings.

The baby ribbon and drawing strings should match the color of the lining. Two buttonholes are made on the outside of the casing for the drawing ribbon.

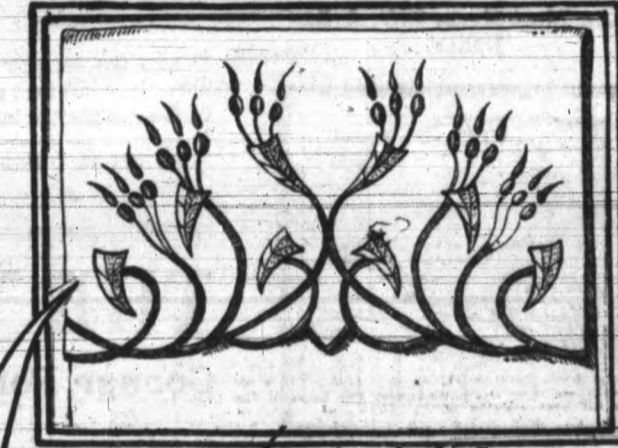
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Working Detail



One-half of Design, Actual Size



Design Applied
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August H. Kohl

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UNCANNY SECRET OF GLAMIS CASTLE

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The marriage of Lady Dorothy Osborne, daughter of the Duke of Leeds, to Lord Glamis, heir to the Earl of Strathmore, which took place in the Guards' chapel, London, a few weeks ago, is of special interest for the fact that the lady will assume the Fatima-like responsibility of knowing that her husband must keep hidden from her the dreadful secret of Glamis Castle.

This uncanny knowledge, according to the old story, must be assumed by the heir of the Strathmores when he attains his majority, the other participants being the existing Earl and the family steward. Lord Glamis attained his majority on September 23rd, 1905, and—again, according to the old story—the receipt of the dreadful confidence should make of him a dour and melancholy man.

It does not seem to have had that effect on Lord Glamis, although he has the reputation of being an unusually reserved, silent man. The Strathmore family pool-pool the legend, but society people point out that the Strathmores have some extraordinary "ideas."

The name of Glamis has been associated with much that is tragic and awful. The first Lord Glamis lived in 1445, and the widow of the fifth laird was burned as a witch in 1551.

The first legendary connection of dark deeds with a haunted room in the castle is found in a story that long ago a number of the Ogilvies captured in a raid were imprisoned in the chamber and there left to die.

The room has been described as the originating point of weird noises; there is something there that no man has described or has dared to refer to except in whispers. And now—to add to its mystery—no one, except the Earl and his heir, know exactly where the room is!

The grandfather of the present Earl determined to investigate the horror for himself. There was a dinner party at Glamis, and, well supplied with Scotch courage, Lord Strathmore headed a procession of guests to the corri-

dore at the end of which lay the haunted chamber.

Fell Back in a Faint.

In one hand he carried a candle and in the other a key, which he had taken from a secret compartment of his desk. "The Earl opened the door with a key," wrote one of the guests to a Dr. Lee, "held up the candle and proceeded to advance into the room. Hardly had he gone a pace than he gave a scream and fell back into our arms in a dead swoon. He was the most horrified man I ever saw; nor could he ever be induced to open his lips on the subject afterwards."

The next day the Earl brought a couple of masons to the castle and had them wall up the corridor leading to the room in such a way that after a little while the line of demarcation was lost and the exact position of the room was in doubt.

Blessed Ignorance.

Once an inquirer was curious to know what was in the secret chamber, and the late Earl, the father of the present Earl, replied:

"If you would guess even the nature of the secret you would go down on your knees and thank God that you were ignorant of it."

On one occasion a young doctor, who was staying in the castle professionally, found on returning to his bedroom that the carpet had been taken up and relaid. He noticed that the mark of the carpet was different at one end of the room. By moving the furniture and raising the carpet he laid bare a trap door, which he forced open and found himself in a passage. This passage ended in a cemented wall. The cement was still soft, leaving the impress of a finger. He returned to his room and next morning received an envelope containing a cheque for his services with the intimation that the carriage was ready to take him to the station for the first train.

In the neighborhood of Glamis the castle obtains the secret chamber was once inhabited by some human monstrosity, a maniac, a son of the eleventh Earl of Strathmore, born in 1801.

A Band of Fair Plotters, a few summers ago the guests at Glamis Castle included a number of sprightly girls who concocted a plot by which they felt sure they would discover the whereabouts of the lost room. Glamis Castle is an immense structure of the true Scottish order—all round towers and lofty, far-reaching wings—so that at the outset, the search seemed full of difficulties. Matters were somewhat simplified, however, by the knowledge that the room was on a storey above the parlor floor.

Then the arch-conspirator decreed that all her partners in the plot should gather up the towels in their rooms, run to each room on the storey and hand a towel out of every window! Then assemble on the lawn and find out which window was not flagged. The towels were displayed and the girls gathered on the lawn, but the Earl's attention was attracted to the petticoated rioting. Ordinarily the most gentle of hosts, he was furious, the investigators were packed off and the room's situation is still unknown.

What Other People Think

"ST. PAUL" CHORUS.

To the Editor:—May I trespass on your space to offer my hearty congratulations and thanks to Mr. J. C. Brown for the opportunity he has given the members of the various choirs in the city of learning to sing the choruses of the oratorio St. Paul, which they sang so well last Wednesday evening, knowing as I do from many years' experience as organist and choir-master what a benefit to young singers it is to be able to unite in giving such a work? I am sure that every church in the city whose choir members took part will eventually feel the benefit of the training they received at the rehearsals from Victoria's veteran conductor. Knowing full well the amount of hard work he must have had, I wish to express in this public manner, and I feel sure I shall also be expressing the feelings of other choir-masters, too, our best thanks for the efforts he has made in working up the choruses so well in the short space of time he has had.

ARTHUR LONGFIELD,
The College of Music, 1902 Cook St.

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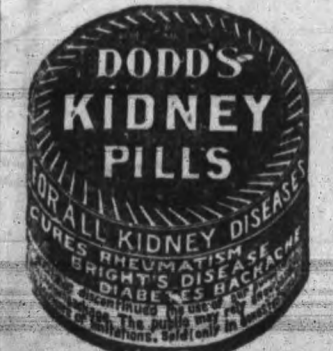
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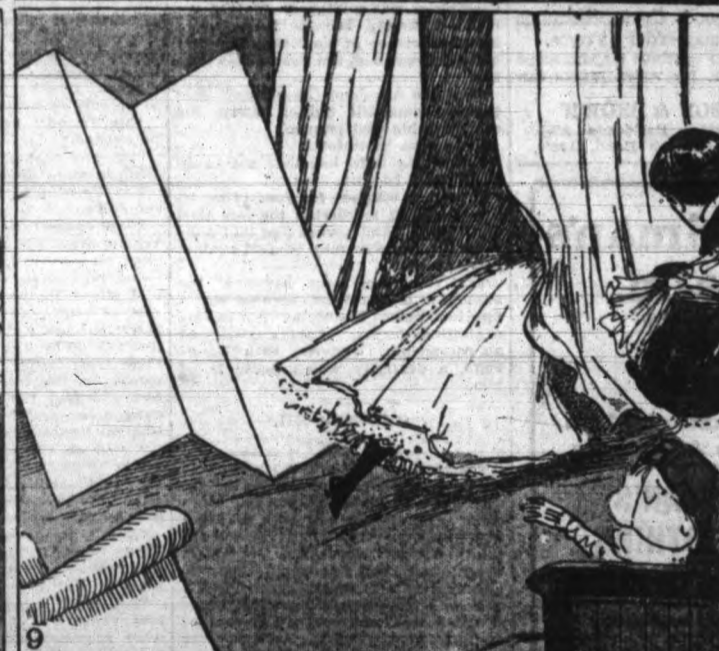
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"The Statue" By Eden Phillpotts and Arnold Bennett

CHAPTER XI.—(Continued.) "I thought you had been to Berlin," Beakbane murmured astonished. "So I have," said Crampiron. "When I say that the loan is arranged, I mean that the loan is arranged through Berlin, and not through Paris. It's all the same to me." And Crampiron could not forbear a proud smile of self-satisfaction as he went on relating his achievement. "Having killed a man, I thought I might as well take his place and do his work for him," said Lord Doncastle, and told him that from a sense of patriotism and merely in order to save the country, he would transfer his services from Paris to Berlin. He was delighted, the fool! He was quite moved. I wired to Paris that the thing was off. And I put my money at the disposal of Berlin on terms which Berlin accepted. Germany will control the loan to the Sultan. France will quarrel with her. There will be a war. Europe will be turned upside down. The English government will stop where it is. And that sublime nincompoop Doncastle will continue to fancy that he is saving the British Empire from destruction. And I've done it in four days, including the journey there and back. "It is indeed remarkable!" said Beakbane, lamely. "Eh? What?" shouted Crampiron, when was opening his letters. "I say it is remarkable," said Crampiron. "I should think it was! And look at that. Ever see that fat before?" He tossed a letter over to Beakbane, and Beakbane read: "10 Downing Street, "18th July. "My Dear Crampiron,—In reference to our interview yesterday, I have seen the two colleagues whom I indicated to you. And I am now in a position to assure you that, in case the operation which you have so patriotically undertaken is successfully concluded, I shall venture to suggest to His Majesty the propriety of bestowing upon you a peerage. Believe me, my dear Mr. Crampiron, yours most faithfully, "DONCASTLE."

CHAPTER XII. A Passing Fly. The road to Bedford ran white and gently curving past the gates of the east lodge of Tudor Hundreds. Maurice's grandfather had built a stone wall along the whole of that side of the estate—a wall about ten feet high, which had cost about a thousand pounds a mile to construct, and whose mellow lichen-covered monotony is one of the charms and one of the vanities of the district. The regularity of the wall, with its massive buttresses, is broken at the lodge by a semicircular sweep of forged ironwork, and in the middle of the semicircle are the mighty bronze gates, surmounted by Ochevall's famous phoenix, which experts consider to be second in interest only to the quadruple gates at the northern or principal entrance to the Courlander estate. Between the gates and the roadway is an expanse of lawn, kept with almost the same meticulous care as the interior lawns, and that expanse of lawn is protected from the feet of the vulgar by a series of low, squat stone pillars, supporting a heavy chain, which between each pair of pillars sinks to the grass by its own weight. Except for a road-mender who, by the aid of a piece of string and two wooden pegs, was making even the border sweep of grass on the opposite side of the road there was no sign of activity in view. The road came into sight and went out of sight, and along the whole stretch of it within the field of vision, perhaps about half a mile altogether, nothing moved but the road-mender. It lay as the Romans had planned it, silent, quiet, venerable with the dust of centuries, gleaming in the afternoon sun. With the solidity of the endless wall, and the steady defiance of the gates, it represented the ancient virtues, the immemorial traditions, of rural England.

But inside the gates the white curtains of the tiny endmost window of the lodge were moved from time to time, quickly and discreetly, only to fall again for a space. And four eyes would appear, momentarily, and gaze with intense curiosity, and then disappear. They were the eyes of the lodge-keeper and the lodge-keeper's Jack—the Jack who owned the bicycle. A similar curiosity excited the soul of the road-mender, but owing to his exposed situation, he was obliged to restrain it to narrower limits. Nevertheless, as he bent down, he would now and then take a hasty glance, with his eyes wrong side up between his legs, at the semi-circular expanse in front of the gates. This curiosity on the part of the humble was natural and excusable. For a very singular phenomenon was to be observed in the neighborhood of the gates. The young owner of Tudor Hundreds, motionless, with his hands deep in the pockets of a black lounge suit, stood on the grass before the gates. And close by him, also with hands deep in pockets, stood his friend Emile-Berger—the Frenchman whose recognition mark to the natives was that he often wore in the mornings and the afternoons a flowing black necktie which the natives deemed to be grotesquely large. The two men had stood where they now stood, with scarcely a gesture for more than an hour and a half. And since the spot which they had chosen for their vigil was a highly unusual spot, the inquisitiveness of the populace was exercised and troubled to an extreme degree. You might walk past the entrances to all the other country mansions of England and never see an owner standing by the roadway on the public side of his own gates. In the opinion of the people it was scarcely dignified. And the news of the phenomenon had passed with the magic of rapidity of strange tidings into far places. The next road-mender, a mile and a half nearer Bedford, was aware of it—he had been informed by a post-man on a bicycle—and was wondering; and every servant in the Hundreds was equally aware of it—it was equally wondering. "Don't you think we had better go in?" Berger suggested in a low voice. Maurice shook his head. "No," said he. "They're bound to be coming soon." "Unless something has happened," said Berger. "Nothing can have happened," said Maurice. "Every precaution was taken." "One never knows," said Berger. "Look here, old chap," Maurice exclaimed, testily, "if you want to go, go. But I'm staying." Berger shrugged his shoulders and lifted his hands in a Gaelic manner. "Listen!" whispered Berger, in a startled tone. "A sound came from the southwards, a sound of an approaching vehicle." "No," said Maurice, with ears cocked. "That is an automobile." "Do you think so?" "Do you think so?" "I don't think. I'm sure. Come along." And Maurice began to run up the slope, Emile keeping by his side. "We are bound to colar him whoever it is," cried Maurice, catching his breath. "Yes," Emile agreed. "And in effect the whole outline of the statue was silhouetted clearly against the lustrous velvet of the sky. And no one could issue from it without being perceived unless that person came straight down the avenue, in which case he would be forced to encounter Maurice and Emile. The young men arrived at the plinth, and mounted it. And no figure had descended from the vast mass of the statue, the door in the hem of the Titanesque robe was securely locked. Maurice looked at Emile questioningly as he took a key from his pocket. "Odd!" he said. "We must ascend," said Emile—"that is, if you are sure that you saw a light." "Of course I'm sure. You saw it yourself. You know you did." Maurice unlocked the door, and they entered, and turned on the lights, and thoroughly searched the lower hall. Nothing rewarded them. They went up in the lift to the banquetting hall chamber, and neither in the banquetting chamber nor in the small service room adjoining it did they come across the faintest trace of an intruder. Once again they eyed each other questioningly, in silence. And Maurice tapped suspiciously at the walls, which gave no sound but that of solid stone. "No go!" said Maurice, baffled. "You must have deceived yourself," Emile murmured. After a little useless delay they descended to the earth, leaving the interior of the statue in darkness. And Emile resumed possession of Maurice's arm and led him homewards down the avenue. As they skirted the lake they both saw a man standing motionless by the northern margin of the water close to the boat-house. The man turned, then ran eastwards, and was lost in the trees. "After him!" Maurice called. "It's Beakbane. I know his legs." "No," he said. "Can you not comprehend that it will be better to let him imagine that he has not been seen? If we catch him now, would he not deny that he had been in the statue? We could not obtain from him the secret. Leave him. He will return. You will arrange to catch him in the statue itself. You will arrange to be ready for him." "But the fellow's been trespassing!" "What matter? Allow him to trespass once more, when we shall be ready. Besides, we could not overtake him." Maurice, exhausted by the nervous fatigues of the day, agreed to this suggestion of the cunning Latin mind. "Old man," he said, in new and more hopeful accents, "there must be another exit from the statue—one that we know nothing about." "Yes," said Emile. "And that Beakbane knows every-

Yes, and his love for us all. And him to be killed, brutally killed, by an unthinkable villain! What! I ought to have let Crampiron off, ought I, for the sake of Crampiron's daughter?" He laughed bitterly. "You'll see," he finished succinctly. "Better come in now," said Emile, with marked quietness. "I don't think I'll come in," Maurice answered. "Better come in. It's nearly seven," Maurice stared at the ground. "It's going to be a duel between her and me," he said obstinately. Then he glanced at Emile, and Emile sustained his gaze. "Are you coming?" asked the Frenchman. "No."

Emile left him, passed through the wicket to the right of the great gates, received the courtesy of the lodge-keeper, and followed a path through the gardens to the house. That night after a lonely dinner—Maurice was still sequestered with Lady Mary for meals—Emile, having seen nothing of Maurice, went forth again to find him. He found him in precisely the spot where he had left him, moodily, motionless, unresponsive. "Been here all the time since?" Emile asked. "Yes." "Do you know if it's near ten o'clock?" "I've heard the clock strike once or twice."

In the summer darkness Emile could plainly distinguish Maurice's figure, but he could not decipher the look in his eyes. He hesitated, made timid by the fear which a cool, unobtrusive, grave crisis will always inspire in a sympathetic soul. Whom? Maurice? he put his arm into Maurice's arm, and drew him away. Maurice offered no resistance, and they passed together through the wicket, which the lodge-keeper shut and locked behind them, and so along the transverse drive that connected the east and the west lodges, as far as the lake. There Maurice halted. To the right, the illuminated windows of the dreaming lake, to the left, the statue, huge pale monster in the gloom of night, rose above the amble masses of the elm trees, spire-like in its eternal attitude of power. The enigmatic effect of it was overwhelming. It seemed to form part of the undiscovered and undiscoverable secret which lies at the heart of life. It seemed to be the symbol not only of the tragedy of the Courlanders, but of the universal tragedy, and to Emile it felt it was incomprehensible that he, by the artist's creative force, had brought that terrible Titanesque into existence. How much more it meant that he had meant it to mean! How alive and significant it was in its everlasting immobility! And yet he knew it to be nothing but blocks of senseless marble interlocked together and laid one upon another! Maurice started from his meditation. "Did you see that?" he cried. "What?" "A flash in the window of the statue?" "I fancied I saw something," Emile admitted. "Where is the moon?" "There isn't a moon," said Maurice quickly. "Someone must be up there in the statue." "Do you think so?" "I don't think. I'm sure. Come along."

CHAPTER XIII. Bedford Assizes. "Greatest sensation since John Bunyan." This phrase, telegraphed across the Atlantic to the New York Journal by the Star reporter sent over to England by that newspaper to chronicle the Crampiron trial, gave a fairly correct idea of the state of the county town of Bedford in the last month of October. And the fact that the Journal had dispatched a "special" of expensive habits to write up the case, gave a fairly correct idea of the extraordinary, the unique interest which the case was arousing. That special had been busy in Bedford for at least a fortnight. He had torn the entrails out of Bedford on behalf of the United States. He had described most things that were describable, from the judge's lodgings and the famous old Unicorn on the banks of the Ouse, to the sheriff's uniform and the private lives of the grand jury who had returned a true bill against the accused millionaire. He could not deal faithfully with the jury that was actually to try the issue, for the reason that the jury was not empanelled till the morning of the trial. But there was not much else that had escaped his thoroughness. Even a photograph of the Ouse, (labelled "slowest river in England") had been forwarded to an editor insatiable for copy. The one real rebuff that the Star reporter had met with was from Mr. Justice, Walworth, from whom he had calmly demanded portraits "at different times of his life." The manner of the journalist's reception by the celebrated Walworth never leaked out; but that it had not been effusive, might be inferred from the detail that the Star special had revealed himself by calling a list of his lordship's wheezes on the opening day of assize, under the heading: "Why don't they make him editor of Punch?" The American curiosity of the Star reporter was merely an example, but a very fine example, of the universal curiosity. Even farmers grew feverish about the Crampiron case. The great part of the Unicorn contained as many of their dogcars as it did of automobiles of the mighty from London—and that is to say something; it is true that an Early Chrysanthemum Show was about to open, but it takes more than an Early Chrysanthemum Show to quicken the pulse of a British farmer. The Unicorn was full, and the Unicorn put up the price of its ordinary from two shillings to three. It was, perhaps, this fact, with the sight of motor cars wandering up and down

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streets, and round and round the Bunyan statue in search of a night's rest, that finally brought home to the people of the town and county of Bedford that the sensation really was their greatest sensation since John Bunyan. Columns, pages, in the daily papers; the arrival of multifarious and haughty strangers; the persistent rumors that a European war and the safety of the English government might depend on the result of the trial; the increase of the local staff at the post office; the more careful watering of the streets by a quettish borough surveyor—by these matters had vaguely impressed them. It had remained for the change in price of the Unicorn ordinary, which had cost a fortune since everlasting, genuinely to awaken their imaginations. They knew, then, that they were famous. And they became proud. They were as proud as if they had achieved some marvellous feat by their own efforts. It was impossible not to be so. The eyes of the world were on the little, old-fashioned, dignified assize court in the middle of the town of Bedford. And probably the proudest people in the whole of the Western Hemisphere were the people inside that court on the morning of the 28th October. There had been an intrigue for local influence, pitted against more august influences, did not come off worst. They were individuals born and bred in Bedford who obtained by a simple word over a pint of beer at the Unicorn privileges that outsiders would have risked their heavenly welfare to obtain. The pity was that the elaborate arrangements were somewhat upset by the sudden breaking down of two cases of the preceding the great case in the calendar. The effect was that Crampiron's trial commenced nearly twenty-four hours earlier than it had been expected to commence. Numerous persons who ought to have been in court were not in court, and numerous persons were there who had no right to be there. These stayed. The most experienced ushers in England could not have shifted them without a row and a squad of police. In two minutes, however, the courthouse had acted like an amazing speed fragment of humanity from the four quarters of the town. And Mr. Eric Florinus, K.C., the prosecuting counsel, had barely introduced himself, in his well-known colloquial style, to the jury, before the interior of the building was miraculously crammed, and sundry important personages who had trusted too much to their importance, learnt that though they had an indisputable right to be in court, nothing but a direct interposition of Providence would get them there. (To be Continued.)

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Ald. Cameron thanked the gathering on behalf of the Mayor and the council for their attendance and courteous hearing.

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This evening Rev. W. Leslie Clay will give his "second illustrated lecture" on "First Glimpses of the Old World." The lecture will deal with Scotland, and in it Mr. Clay will describe some of the historic points in that country with excellent illustrations. As the lecturer is well qualified to make an interesting evening. The lecture will begin at 8 o'clock, and preliminary to it will be an organ recital by Jesse Longfield.

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New Westminster, Dec. 15.—The municipal election for seven aldermen resulted in the re-election of Aldermen Gray, Garret, Johnson, Jardine and Henley. Messrs. Carter Smith and George Adams replace Alderman Fader, defeated and Alderman Shiles, retired. Mayor Keary and the 20000 trustees were elected by acclamation.

NELSON'S STREET CAR SERVICE.

Nelson, Dec. 15.—Arrangements were concluded between the promoters and the city council whereby Nelson's street car service will be re-started early in January on a permanent basis, the city supplying free power from the generating plant at Bonington.

INTERNATIONAL CURLING.

London, Dec. 15.—It is understood that if there is ice at Lochambert the Canadian curlers will play in the international series, but failing that the matches will be played in the large permanent ice rink in Glasgow. The visit of the Canadians is being eagerly anticipated by curlers all over the country.

AUTO ACCIDENT IN STRAND.

London, Dec. 15.—The motor car of the Marchioness of Donegal (formerly Miss Violet Twining, of Halifax), today knocked down a man on the Strand and severely injured him. The Marchioness conveyed the man to the hospital.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 15.—5 a. m.—The storm area of yesterday has passed northward and is now central in Nevada, and the pressure is increasing over this western region from the Pacific to the Lakes. Moderate to heavy rain has fallen from the Lower Mainland to California, and temperatures have fallen to freezing point in most districts. East of the Rockies the weather is colder and snow has fallen at Prince Albert.

Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday, Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night. Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, .30; weather, raining. New Westminster—Barometer, 29.97; temperature, 34; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .4; weather, cloudy. Kamloops—Barometer, 30.15; temperature, 36; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.9; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 12 miles N. W.; rain, .30; weather, clear. Edmonton—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 3; minimum, 5; wind, 4 miles S. snow, trace; weather, part cloudy.

The Anglican Young Peoples' Association will meet as usual this evening in St. John's hall at 8 o'clock, when a social gathering will be held. All members of the Anglican church who are interested in the association will be made very welcome.

The regular weekly meeting of the Young Women's Club of the Metropolitan Methodist church will be held this evening in the lecture room of the church. All members are asked to bring contributions for distribution to the poor. A further discussion will be held on Ruskin's "Sesame and Lilies," which book the members have been studying.

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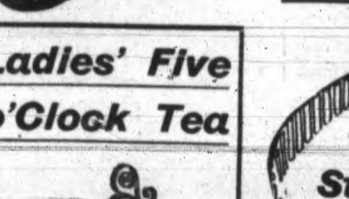


The \$2.50 Stocking

- Art Cushions
- Lace Curtains
- Oak Jardiniere Stands
- Umbrella Stands
- Mission Book Shelf
- Mission Dining Chairs
- Large Arm Rockers
- Oak Book Shelf
- Child's Reed Rockers
- Jardiniere
- China Cups and Saucers
- Ruskin Vases
- Sterling Whisks
- Sterling Pin Trays
- Sterling Match Safes
- Cut Glass Nappies
- Linon Tea Cloths
- Axminster Rugs
- Pretty Table Covers

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The \$3 Stocking

- Sterling Pin Trays
- Sterling Hat Brushes
- Ebony Hair Brushes
- Ebony Hand Mirrors
- Oak Butter Dishes
- Ruskin Vases
- China Cups and Saucers
- Child's Reed Chairs
- Child's Sets (Table and 2 Chairs)
- Folding Card Tables
- Large Arm Rockers
- Parlor Tables
- Drawn Linen Centre-pieces
- Beautiful Pictures
- Sterling Sugar Tongs
- Dainty Tea Cloths

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\$2.00

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The \$5 Stocking

- Cut Glass Nappies
- Cut Glass Oil Bottles
- Cut Glass Vases
- Silver Creams and Sugars
- Silver Bake Dishes
- Breakfast Cruets
- 5 o'clock Kettle and Stand
- Silver Berry Dishes
- Bentwood Cake Stands
- Child's Reed Rockers
- Reed Rockers
- Oak Jardiniere Stand
- Oak Parlor Tables
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