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Suitable Xmas Presents

PURSES

CHATELAIN BAGS.



FINE LEATHER GOODS
In all the latest fancy leathers, Seal, Alligator, Walrus, Fine Morocco, Lizard, etc., THE LARGEST LINE WE HAVE EVER SHOWN AND BY FAR THE BEST.
We have done our utmost to have every purse the finest that can be made for the money—in leathers in style and workmanship.
Only 25 days left to select your Xmas gifts. Do so early. We lay our article aside for you.

STORE REMAINS OPEN EVENINGS.

CHALLONER & MITCHELL



Defies Competition

MAC LAREN'S IMPERIAL CHEESE

Sold by All First-Class Grocers
Hudson's Bay Co., Agents.

Ogilvie's Hungarian Flour, \$1.35 Sk.

"Dixi Brand" Pastry Flour, \$1.25 Sk.

Tested Eggs, 25c Dozen

Government Creamery Butter, 25c lb

Eden Bank Creamery Butter, 30c lb

DIXI H. ROSS & CO.,

CASH GROCERS.

Union store. The only Store not in the combine.

Stock-Taking Sale Wallpapers

SEVERAL SMALL LOTS

At Half Price

To clear out before stocktaking this month.

W. W. MELLOR & CO., LIMITED, 78 FORT STREET.

Wheat, \$1.60 per 100 lbs

Just received, a car of Manitoba Wheat, No. 2 Grade, at \$1.60 per 100 lbs.

SYLVESTER FEED CO.,

TELEPHONE 413. 87 and 89 YATES STREET.

FAREWELL ENTERTAINMENT

Gave Last Evening by Mr. and Mrs. Rawel at Y.M.C.A. Before Large Audience.

The series of entertainments, which have been given during the past week by Mr. and Mrs. Rawel in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium closed last night with a grand farewell. The recital was one of the best given, and the large audience was delighted. Rawel and his wife both took part in the programme and were given a warm greeting. They had selected their best views for the occasion and about 150 were shown.

Mr. and Mrs. Rawel have certainly won an enviable reputation as entertainers, which has been shown by the degree of popularity which their entertainments have attained. Two thousand people have attended these recitals, and probably never before in Victoria has the satisfaction with an entertainment been so universal.

The charge for admission was made nominal so that no one could feel that it was too much, and there was nothing in the programmes but which was apparently selected with the utmost care. The Y.M.C.A. has the reputation of giving only the best entertainments, and in this instance that reputation has been sustained.

The next attraction will probably be a ladies' quartette, for which the association is negotiating.

ALREADY AT WORK ON HOTEL PLANS

MR. RATTENBURY HAS RETURNED FROM EAST

Gives Details of New Tourist Hostel to Be Erected by C. P. R. Here.

"Well, work on the plans has actually commenced, and we expect to call for tenders in eight or nine weeks, provided of course we are able to determine as to the foundations."

This was the reply given by F. M. Rattenbury, the architect, to a Times representative this morning, when asked when the erection of the palatial tourist hotel to be erected on the James Bay reclaimed area by the C. P. R. Company would be started. Mr. Rattenbury returned last night from Montreal, where he has been conferring with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the company, relative to the plans of the proposed structure. The matter was thoroughly considered, the advice of the most experienced hotel men in the service of the company being sought, so that when Mr. Rattenbury left the eastern metropolis for the coast he knew exactly what was wanted.

"The question of foundations is the difficult feature of the proposition, and I have been authorized to engage a consulting engineer to assist me in dealing with it," the architect further said. When this was satisfactorily settled the rest would be plain sailing.

The hotel which is to be erected on the James Bay flats will be one of the finest of its kind on the continent. It will be 230 by 200 feet, and will stand about a hundred and fifty feet back from the sea wall. It will front on the harbor. The structure on which operations are to be commenced as soon as Mr. Rattenbury has made the necessary arrangements will contain all the public rooms required for the building, when additions, which will double its number of bedrooms, are made. In the meantime the hotel will have 175 bedrooms, with a bathroom attached to every apartment. It will be constructed of stone, and will be seven stories high. The public rooms, to which reference has already been made, will include a spacious entrance hall, about 40 by 40 feet, a palm garden 80 by 50; a grand dining room 120 by 42, a library and reading room 92 by 22 feet and a ladies' boudoir 42 by 22 feet—all on the ground floor. On the lower ground floor, which cannot be called a basement, because it will be above the ground surface, there will be a Turkish lounging room with small private rooms accessible to it. This apartment will be 80 by 30 approximately. In addition to these three lower sections will have 412 beds, and grill rooms and Turkish baths. As stated above, the height of the hotel will be seven stories, and it will be of stone, with a copper roof. Its style will be French renaissance, and after the Chateau Frontenac, the company's tourist hotel in Quebec, which is one of the most admired hostels on the continent. Its interior finish will be a distinctive character in its fittings, this important department being under the general supervision of Mrs. Hayter Bessie, wife of the manager of the Chateau Frontenac, who not long ago undertook the interior decoration of this magnificent building with marked success. The finest woods will be used in the finish, the intention of the company being to spare no expense to effect perfect harmony and taste in the interior arrangement.

The C. P. R. hotels are noted for their efficient service just as much as for their imposing appearance, and it is intended that the new extravaganza on grace the James Bay area will be a conspicuous advertisement of this feature for the company's hotel system. To ensure this, special attention has been given to the arrangement of the kitchen department and other branches essential to a service equal to the standard established in their various chateaux and chalets. Although the building will occupy a considerable part of the area to be granted the company by the city, it will leave a spacious expanse which will be laid out by experienced gardeners in a manner harmonizing with the beauty of the edifice that will grace it. On the sheltered side—facing Douglas street—there will be tennis courts, bowling alleys and other places for recreation, while the grounds generally will be ornamented with parterres and shrubbery.

It should be borne in mind that the structure to be erected as soon as the essential preliminaries are completed is to be so constructed that when the trade justifies, another large wing can be added to it. The building which Mr. Rattenbury is planning will cost approximately \$350,000, exclusive of the foundations, which will amount to considerably more, and the special interior fittings. In fact, the architect told the Times representative today that the cost would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$500,000, possibly more. The additional wing, for which provision is to be made, would cost half as much again, so that when the tourist trade necessitates an increase in the size of the hotel the cost will total at least \$750,000.

At first blush this easy rolling off of estimates running into the hundreds of thousands may appear surprising, but reference to the Chateau Frontenac will furnish the required proof. The Chateau,

which in the first place was supposed to cost \$300,000 or thereabouts, has totalled between two and three times that amount to date, and to-day the Times was informed by Mr. Rattenbury that so great has been the trade there that the company intends doubling its accommodation. It has worked marvels in the development of tourist travel through the historic Eastern city, and as a result the hotel syndicate is contemplating the erection of a magnificent hostelry of not less than one thousand rooms there in the near future.

Mr. Rattenbury also said that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was determined to fulfill to the letter every pledge he made to the people of Victoria, and he would see to it that in appearance, size, convenience and service, the hotel to be erected here will be a credit to the place and to the company building it.

"THE CREATION"

All Ready For the Big Production Tomorrow Evening.

The work of preparation for the great musical event of to-morrow evening at the Metropolitan Methodist church, with its "The Creation," is being pushed to-night when there will be a full rehearsal of all the parts. Workmen have been busy since Monday morning erecting the platform to accommodate the singers and the orchestra, and the work is now about complete. In order to accommodate the fifty additional singers and the orchestra the platform had to be made considerably larger than that used on the former occasion of the giving of the oratorio. When Gordon Hicks takes his place to-morrow night he will have before him the largest company of trained musicians ever assembled under purely local auspices in this city.

There is every reason to believe that the audience will be worthy of the occasion, and fittingly express the appreciation of good music and local enterprise upon which the city prides itself. The audience of whom had heard the oratorio at all as large as the merits of the entertainment justified. Many lovers of music had made up their minds that it was not possible that Hadyn's great work could be satisfactorily interpreted by local talent, and decided to stay away.

The result did not justify their conclusion. The entertainment was a decided musical success. Among the musical critics present there was unanimous agreement as to excellence of the work done, and that Mr. Hicks had established his reputation as a conductor of great ability. As was expected the solo work of Miss Bradley, Herbert Taylor and A. T. Goward was excellent, and Jesse Longfield, at the organ, won unstinted praise from the most critical hearers, but the work of the chorus was a complete and delightful surprise. The soloists, all of whom had heard the oratorio many times before, declared that, considering the number of the voices, they had never heard the chorus work more effectively performed.

That the former success will be repeated, and probably much surpassed to-morrow evening, there is every reason to expect. The chorus will include fifty voices more than before, and a number of accomplished musicians will supplement the organ in the accompaniment, and Miss Bradley and Messrs. Herbert Taylor and A. T. Goward will again take the solos.

Mr. Hicks informed the Times that he is very much pleased with the work of the chorus and the orchestra and expects the entertainment of to-morrow night will far exceed that of two years ago. The plan for reserved seats is now open at the warehouses of the Hicks-Loyak Company, Government street.

OBITUARY.

Death of Mrs. Wells, Mother of W. C. Wells—Ex-M.P. Dead.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Geo. E. Casey, ex-M.P., died yesterday. The remains will be interred at Beechwood cemetery here to-morrow.

Vanessa Hill, Dec. 1.—Mrs. James P. Wells, mother of W. C. Wells, of Victoria, died this morning, aged 95. Mrs. Wells was on his way to the coast when he recalled on account of the serious illness of his mother.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Attorney-General Wilson Resumes Debate on Address in Reply to Speech From Throne.

In the legislature this afternoon the adjourned debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was proceeded with. It was opened by Hon. Chas. Wilson, K.C., the Attorney-General.

He will be followed, it is expected, by Stuart Henderson for the opposition side, who in turn will be succeeded by the Finance Minister, Hon. R. G. Tatlow.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Help Association the treasurer reported thirty applicants helped with groceries, fuel and clothing, and thankfully acknowledged the receipts of cash from Mrs. Saunders, P. W. F., Miss Wallaston, Mrs. McVish, Mrs. Richardson, G. H. Barnard and the city meat from Porter & Sons, and clothing from Lewis Lewis, Mrs. Berkeley, Miss Williams, Mrs. Garesch, Mrs. Ewing, Mrs. Goetz, Mrs. Browne, Mrs. Wise, A. Friend, Mrs. Belyea, Mrs. Goodchild, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. McCarther, Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Ties.

The members were asked to give two new garments and get two or more friends each to do the same. Donations of cash, groceries and clothing will be thankfully received at the rooms on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before Christmas.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish—but won't wash clothes.

THE ALL-CANADIAN RAILWAY PROJECT

LETTER RECEIVED FROM SIR WILFRID LAURIER

Approves of the Action Taken by Committee of Victoria Board of Trade.

Shortly after the meeting of the board of trade, at which a committee was appointed to take steps to "promote the building of an all-Canadian line to the Yukon, with an extension by car ferry and rail to Victoria," C. H. English, who brought the matter up and was made chairman of the committee, wrote to Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the subject, enclosing him the report of the proceedings of the board and giving him an outline of the course which the committee proposed to follow.

To-day Mr. Laurier received the following reply from the Premier:

Ottawa, Nov. 24th, 1903.

Dear Mr. Laurier—In answer to your favor of the 17th instant, I have only to say that I approve altogether of your action. The construction of a railway to connect our existing system of railways with the waters of the Yukon is a matter of necessity. I have always regarded the action of the senate in rejecting our project of 1901. If this project had carried through the railway over the White Pass, at the end of Lynn canal, would not have been built, and we would now have a line extending from Port Simpson to White Horse.

Believe me, dear Mr. Laurier, yours very sincerely,

WILFRID LAURIER.

C. H. English, Esq., Barrister, Etc., Victoria, B.C.

TYPHOON ON CHINA COAST.

Thousands of Lives Reported to Have Been Lost—Many Vessels Wrecked.

Adverts were received from South China by the Athlete of the loss of many lives as a result of the destruction of several hundred fishing junks in a typhoon off Swatow.

The havoc was awful when the gale swept down on the Chinese vessels. Masts were broken, rudders carried away, sails ripped and general destruction was the result. Forty-three numbers of disabled junks drifted helplessly about, their occupants suffering greatly from extreme thirst and hunger. The Hongkong government tender Stanley rescued a number and picked up eight junks, taking 122 men of vessels that were abandoned.

The Stanley then returned to the rescue for the saved fishermen reported that there were 400 junks fishing off Swatow when the typhoon came on November 8th. From the Stanley 57 disabled junks were seen flying distress signals. Several junks were towed to Hongkong and then a third relief cruise was made.

Meanwhile three torpedo boat destroyers, the naval water boat Cherub and a Chinese cruiser were sent out and rescued many. Several hundred men were taken from wrecked craft suffering greatly, some having been without food or water from two to five days. Of the 400 fishing junks, at least 300 are reported disabled or sunk, and thousands of lives were lost.

RECORDED FROM BENNETT.

Stages Will Have All Passengers They Can Carry For Next Two Months.

William Dalby, mining recorder at Bennett during the past year, was one of the arrivals from the north on the steamer Amur on Sunday. When Mr. Dalby left the north the thermometer registered 20 below zero. There was considerable snow on the ground, but as there was no wind the weather was very cold. Bennett lake was frozen over for about six miles from the coast end, and stages were running regularly, and were exceedingly busy. They had sufficient passengers booked ahead to keep them filled on every trip for the next two months.

Mr. Dalby met a number of the miners who have been in at Bullion creek, and none but the best reports concerning that district were received. Coming under his own attention the most important property recorded during the season were a number of quartz claims situated in the mountains about six miles from Bennett. The ore found is good silver and copper, and some of it runs up as high as sixty per cent. in value. The mountain range extends to the west side of the lake, and there is every indication of a good camp being there opened up.

A private masquerade will be given this evening by Mrs. Lester at Alexandra hall. A large number of invitations have been issued, and those who attend are assured a pleasant evening. Embroidery preparations are being made for the entertainment. The floor is in perfect condition. An excellent musical programme has been arranged, and the orchestra will be thoroughly capable. Supper will be served late in the evening.

A room in which soiled clothing or shoes become moistly is too damp for health.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

Ex-Attorney-General Charged With Assault by Theatre Censor.

An information was sworn to in the police court this morning by John Starks, head usher at the Victoria theatre, charging D. M. Eberts, ex-attorney-general, with assault. The trouble occurred in the lobby of the Victoria theatre last night, and the informant claims that the assault was wholly unprovoked.

According to his story, Mr. Eberts, who was accompanied by some other gentlemen, had some trouble about the seats, and went out to speak to the proprietor of the theatre. While he was outside, the informant says he approached Mr. Eberts and asked him what the trouble was, and told him that (the informant would rectify the difficulty). Immediately the words were out of his mouth, he says, Mr. Eberts hauled off and landed a heavy blow on his face. The chief of police and others who were on the scene intervened, before the affair proceeded further. The case will be heard in the police court on Thursday morning.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY.

Pleasant Entertainment at Sir William Wallace Hall—Greetings From Tacoma.

Yesterday was St. Andrew's Day, and the occasion was celebrated by members of the Sir William Wallace Society last evening. A large crowd gathered in the society's hall, Broad street, where an excellent entertainment was given. The programme consisted of stereopticon views, appropriate gramophone selections, etc. The interior of the hall presented a striking appearance, the walls being adorned with Scottish flags, emblems and mottoes. Chinese lanterns lighted the entrance and were strung along the ceiling of the corridor leading to the hall.

After a few preliminary remarks by the presiding officer, the programme was proceeded with. J. R. Jackson, chief of the Sir William Wallace Society, had charge of the lantern and three of the canvases—a large number of interesting pictures of the principal cities of Canada were first shown, followed by high scenes, England, was next taken up, and those present were shown some typical scenes of life in London. In Scottish pictures of Edinburgh, including the castle, were thrown on the canvas.

On the completion of this portion of the programme a number of Scotch selections were rendered on the gramophone, while members of the society gave reminiscences. The entertainment broke up after 11 o'clock after a most pleasant social evening.

About a month ago a box of heather was received from Scotland by the secretary of the Sir William Wallace Society. This was distributed among the members of the society yesterday. Some was sent by Secretary J. R. Jackson, to the Tacoma St. Andrew's Society, which was graciously acknowledged by the secretary of the latter association. A cordial invitation was also extended the local society to send a representative to a banquet, which was held last night at Tacoma and attended by the governor of the state and mayor of that city. On Saturday the following greeting was received from the Tacoma St. Andrew's Society: "Stots who have Wallace blood and Banneckburn forever." Yesterday the following message was sent to Tacoma by the local society: "We'll raise the thistle and the heather round St. Andrew's night the better."

PERSONAL.

A portion of British Columbia is proving attractive to quite a number of people of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories as a desirable place for settlement on account of the genial climate. Two parties arrived last night from Manitoba and are at present at the Dominion Hotel, Svenbjornson and family, of Boulder, and J. Svenbjornson and family from Belmont, Manitoba, have come to settle here, and F. M. Rowe and T. H. Lissett, of Killarney, Man., are looking about with a view to removal to this province.

C. A. McDermid, M.D., who was one of the candidates at the recent examinations held by the B. C. Medical Association, is at the Vernon hotel. He will leave by the next steamer for Atlin.

Geo. Cudde and wife, of Sidney, are in the city. Mr. Cudde is connected with the management of the sawmill at Sidney. They are registered at the Victoria hotel.

C. Malmo, a Seattle florist, is a guest at the Dominion. He is making one of his periodical trips to purchase shrubs and other plants for his business.

W. W. E. McInnes, M.P.P., will make his headquarters at the Dallas hotel during the present session of the provincial legislature.

J. Schwengers and Mrs. Schwengers arrived from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Beatrice.

John Peck, of New Westminster, is paying the city a business visit and is a guest at the Victoria hotel.

Harry Smith and W. R. Robertson, of Duncan, are in the city, guests at the Victoria hotel.

M. A. Bledsoe and wife, of Seattle, are in the city. They are guests at the Vernon hotel.

D. C. McKinnon, of Brandon, Man., and Paul B. Dyer, of New York, are at the Victoria.

John Conella, of the Y. C. Lumber Co., Nakup, is registered at the Driford.

E. J. Fader, a Westminister insurance man, is registered at the Driford.

W. E. Irwin, a Vancouver commercial man, is registered at the Driford.

J. H. Lawson left for the Sound last night by the steamer Chatham.

S. W. Bodley, of Duncan, is a guest at the Dominion.

CIVIL CASES NOW BEFORE ASSIZES

HOPPER V. DUNSMUIR SET FOR THURSDAY

Employee Injured in Sayward Shingle Mill Suing for Damages—Interest-ing Will Contest.

Owing to the large number of trials set down for hearing at the civil assizes, which opened this morning, two judges sat, the Chief Justice in the Fall court room and Mr. Justice Drake in the Assize court. However, there were a good many cases stood over for one reason or another, among them Hopper vs. Dunsmuir, in which Edna Wallace Hopper is endeavoring to secure from James Dunsmuir property from the estate of the late Alexander Dunsmuir, which plaintiff claims belongs of right to the estate of her mother, now deceased, who was Mrs. Alexander Dunsmuir. When the case was called, H. Dallas Helmcken, K.C., stated that L. P. Dunn, K.C., his fellow counsel in the case, was ill and had not yet recovered, and for the defence had objected Mr. Justice Drake adjourned the trial till Thursday.

Anderson vs. Sayward was heard before the Chief Justice and a special jury. In this the plaintiff, H. O. Anderson, claims damages, because of injuries received by being caught in the machinery of defendant's shingle mill, where he was employed. Joseph Martin, K.C., is appearing for plaintiff and E. V. Bodwell, K.C., for defendant. The case is still in progress.

An interesting trial is that of Raser vs. McQuade, which opened before Mr. Justice Drake, Wesley Solomon appearing for plaintiff and A. E. McPhillips, K.C., for defendant. From the evidence it appears that the widow of the late Louis Victoria Raser married in September, 1901, L. H. Raser, a man much younger than herself. Mrs. J. A. Elliott, the only witness examined, stated that an agreement produced in court was signed by Mrs. Vigelius on October 14th before witness and L. H. Raser. This document provided that Raser should be Mrs. Raser's heir, and it came out in evidence that this had been one of the conditions on which Mrs. Vigelius had married Raser; the husband being a much younger man than the wife. Subsequently Mrs. Raser died, having willed her property to the Roman Catholic church, with L. G. McQuade, agent-at-large, C. Bishop as trustees. Raser also died, leaving an assignment to D. B. Macdowell. Now the plaintiffs try to obtain the estate. However, plaintiff's case was finished it was pointed out that some amendment was needed to the pleadings, and by consent an adjournment was taken. The estate is said to be worth about \$20,000.

Owing to Fred Peters, one of the necessary witnesses, being ill, H. G. Lawson obtained an adjournment of the case till next court. Turner-Beston vs. Kersheimer, Victoria Lumber Co. vs. Vaughan Rhys and Barrett vs. Elliott were also stood over till next sitting.

In Chambers.

The man Keils, who was charged with the usage of a boy at Cumberland some time ago and was admitted to bail in the sum of \$200, pending trial, left the province. In consequence the bail was exonerated. H. B. Robertson for the bondsmen, McLean and others, applied to-day before the Chief Justice to have the order for extradition set aside. Hearing was further postponed till Thursday. The deputy attorney-general is opposing.

In Royal Bank of Canada vs. Fotta, A. Martin obtained leave to issue a writ for service out of the jurisdiction.

On application of A. Martin leave was granted for examination of judgment debtor in Kang Kui Chee vs. Yee Yick Co.

REGISTRATION OPENS TO-DAY

To Enable Householders to Qualify For the Municipal Voters' List.

This is the first day for the annual registration of householders to enable them to qualify for the municipal voters' list. The necessary declarations are taken at the assessor's office, city hall, but as the public were not generally aware that the time opened to-day only a few were registered this morning. The period will extend to the end of the month. It is to be hoped that the householders this year will depart from the inconvenient custom of waiting until the last week to register, and take the declarations as early as possible.

The municipal nominations will be held on Monday, January 11th, and the selections on the following Thursday. There promises to be a large field of candidates, a number having already made up their minds to offer themselves for municipal honors. Two applicants to the mayoralty have intimated their desire, so that a contest for the principal seat in the civic government is assured. One candidate for alderman has announced himself publicly, that is through the press, but it is expected that most of the present aldermen will be on the list again.

There will be a couple of vacancies in South Ward. A. H. Barnard's candidature for the unexpired term of one, and Ad. Cameron's election to the municipal legislature, it is understood, causing the other. Should Ad. Vincent again run he will be the only one of this present representation of this ward seeking the suffrages of the electorate. One of the others, Ad. Kinsman, informed a Times representative the other day that he would put on his armor for another aldermanial assault at a date.

PONSETTA SKIN SOAP. We have just received a large consignment of this fine soap. It is manufactured by the Anita Toilet Co., Los Angeles, and is very largely used in the United States. To introduce it we will sell it for 50c a box of three cakes.

Campbell's Prescription Store. COR. FORT AND DOUGLAS STS.

The Enormous Growth of Our Business

Is a sure sign of the merits of

Electric Light

We are now supplying half the residences in Victoria with this essential convenience, and if you are one of those whose name is not on our consumers list make up your mind at once to install it.

B. G. ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO., LD., 35 YATES STREET.

ENGINEER'S PLAN TO PROTECT WALL

GIVEN IN REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Victoria Terminal Railway Company is Willing to Have First Street Improved at Its Cost.

A report from the city engineer on the work required for the strengthening of the James Bay wall and a communication from the Victoria Terminal Railway Company offering to stand the cost of certain street improvements along the line of the company's road were among the most important matters arising at last night's meeting of the city council.

R. P. Riffet & Co. submitted a proposition, offering to name the streets of the city, if the company would be allowed to place beneath the name of the street an advertisement of its Three Star brand of flour.

His Worship said that he was opposed to the proposition. Ald Stewart moved that the communication be received and filed, and that the writer be informed that the council objects to all such forms of advertisements. This motion carried.

Messrs. Drake, Heintzen & Jackson asked compensation in the amount of \$27,000 for the work done on the streets just so soon as the city was ready to go on with the work. The company further agreed to take up similar work in accordance with the city's agreement with the city engineer to be instructed to proceed at once with the work.

Geo. Jewes called attention to certain mistakes in the report of the plumbing inspector.

J. C. Gardner, directory publisher, stated that his company did not feel disposed to issue another Dominion directory until it is learned what patronage its subscribers will extend. A subscription form was enclosed, and the city was asked to state what advertisement it would require. Referred to finance committee.

Messrs. Hooper & Watkins submitted a certified statement in the effect that \$5,000 had been spent on the Carnegie library to date. A properly certified form endorsed by the Mayor will be forwarded to Mr. Carnegie for the money wanted.

City Clerk Dowler reported as follows: Gentlemen—I have the honor to inform you that since the last meeting of the city council the following communications have been received and referred to the city engineer for report, viz:

D. Sprague, calling attention to the condition of the alleyway between Third and Fourth streets.

A. H. Ridgman et al, directing attention to the condition of Frederick street.

J. E. Cowan and five others, asking that a sidewalk be laid down on the south side of Pandora street from George street for a distance of about 200 feet, also on the east side of George street from Pandora street southward.

Windsor Grocery (and two others), calling attention to the needs of a crossing from the Metropolitan building to the post office.

Frank J. Schi, re had condition of Pembroke street immediately above Quindra street.

Marietta Lee, re condition of the ditch

extending from Richmond road to 'You Bay road.

H. Brakes, asking for a crossing to his house on corner of Howard and Lydia streets.

Received and filed. The city engineer reported as follows: Gentlemen—In accordance with instructions I have the honor to submit the following report of the work I consider necessary to be done to improve and strengthen the James Bay retaining wall.

As previously instructed, a cluster of piles has been driven as close together as possible for a distance of fifty feet on either side of the centre line of wall and ten feet from the face of same; and since this work was done I am pleased to say no further movement has taken place.

I would now further recommend that the mud be dredged out in sections and hard bottom obtained a distance of thirty feet from each end, and twelve feet from the face of above mentioned cluster of piles. In this area so formed piles to be driven at five or six feet centres. The space between and outside of the piles to be filled in with rock up to the foundation level of present wall.

On these piles and rock filling a solid concrete platform fifteen feet wide be erected to high water line; from this point the work to be carried out to correspond with present wall, as indicated by sketches Nos. 1 and 2.

In conclusion, I may say, should either of the above plans be adopted, I have no hesitation in stating the same would add greatly to the appearance of the structure, as well as making a substantial buttress at the point required.

Ald. Dinsdale fully endorsed the plan of work outlined, but did not agree with the manner of carrying it out. If the piles were not properly driven house it would jeopardize the wall. A bricklayer should not be employed on the pile driver. Expert men should be engaged over every branch of the work.

The report, excepting clause 3, was adopted, all members of the board voting for the motion but Ald. Dinsdale.

The finance committee reported accounts totaling \$4,207.25. The committee further reported an appropriation of \$10,000 required for sewers. Adopted.

The streets, sewers and bridges committee reported as follows: Your streets, bridges and sewers committee, having considered the undementioned subjects, begs to recommend the following for the adoption of the council:

By Rock Bay. Resolved, that the necessary steps be taken to obtain permission from the Dominion government to construct a permanent roadway across Rock Bay in line with Bay street.

Recommended that a certain projection of rock at the corner of Langford and Astor streets be removed. Estimated cost, \$40.

Recommended that the following sidewalks be laid: On Croft street, east side, estimated cost, \$148; Ballot street, north side, estimated cost, \$44; George street, east side, estimated cost, \$71; Fourth street, from Hilliards avenue, estimated cost, \$53.

Recommended that the sum of \$75 be expended in repairing Vancouver road, and \$20 in improving the alleyway between Third and Fourth streets.

Re communication from R. Muller, C. E., engineer of His Majesty's dockyard; Esquimalt, desiring the use of the steam roller for a few days in January next. Recommended that Mr. Muller be informed that the council is willing to loan the roller as desired free of charge, on condition that the transportation of the same from the city to Esquimalt and back is undertaken by him, and that the running expenses during the present engine's stay during the time the roller is used at Esquimalt and all responsibility for damage, if any, is assumed by him.

Received and adopted. A motion of Ald. Gooden's that tenders for the printing of the annual voters' list be invited was next introduced and carried.

The council then adjourned. MEMORIAL SERVICE. Flinging Reference to the Death of Late Miss Flora Fraser.

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WHOLESALE BRIBERY Charged Against Ex-Mayor, Aldermen, Senator and Others.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov. 30.—The confession of ex-City Attorney Salisbury in regard to the notorious swindle in this city, was read to-day in the police court at the preliminary examination of State Senator Burns. According to Salisbury there were six separate water deals on in Grand Rapids at one time, each calling for "boodle funds. One, known as the Henry Taylor-Lake Michigan deal, had a fund of \$100,000 he said.

The persons implicated by Salisbury during his testimony against State Senator Burns and the amounts he alleged they received, are as follows: Geo. B. Perry, ex-mayor, \$15,775; Geo. Clark Sprunt, manager of the Grand Rapids Democrat, \$3,333; R. A. Cameron, New York, \$500; State Senator David E. Burns, \$200; Ald. McCool, \$500; Ald. Eilen, \$350; Ald. DePaigler, \$350; Ald. Muir, \$500; Ald. Kinney, \$350; Ald. Donovan, \$500; Ald. Phillips, \$1,000; Ald. Johnson, \$500 or \$400; Ald. Stearns, \$350; Ald. Loomer, \$500; Ald. Scriber, \$350; Ald. Miles, \$350; Ald. Slocum, \$350; Cory Bissell, \$500; Russell Thompson, reporter on Evening Press, \$500; Isaac Lamoreaux, ex-city clerk, \$1,500; State Representative Van Zoeren, \$350; State Representative Vandereock, \$60; P. D. Cogran, manager Grand Rapids Herald, \$10,000; Thos. F. McGary, a prominent attorney, now in Florida, \$7,500; C. S. Borene, manager of the Evening Press, \$5,000.

He also implicated in the water deals Dudley E. Water, ex-president of the board of public works; Dr. Nikle Deres, ex-city physician; Geo. Ellis, a local broker; Samuel M. Lemmon, collector of international revenue.

There then was a Milwaukee deal, in which he said Contractor Loss of Chicago, was interested; millions are said to have put up \$50,000, and the Gillette deal. On top of all these Salisbury implicates Revenue Collector Samuel M. Lemmon with a deal charging Lemmon with coming to him with a proposition to buy the city council after having bought the mayor for \$10,000.

C. S. Burche, manager of the Evening Press, denies these charges. Mr. Burche states that he received no money from Salisbury or his agents, and that he never received any for the influence of his paper.

REDUCING WAGES. Thirty-Two Thousand Additional Cotton Operatives Affected by the Ten Per Cent. Cut.

Boston, Nov. 30.—The wages of about 32,000 cotton textile operatives were reduced to-day. To-day's addition brings the total number in New England whose pay has been cut this fall to about 40,000, and the cut that takes effect in New Bedford next Monday will swell the number to about 75,000 and complete a general reduction in southern New England cotton mills. The cut averages ten per cent. To-day practically every cotton mill in Rhode Island, where there are about 2,400,000 spindles, adopted the schedule. In that state nearly 20,000 operatives are affected, and the new order of things will mean a loss of fully \$2,000 weekly in wages. The reports received to-day indicate that the new schedules were received without any serious outbreak.

MANY FIGHTS REPORTED. Transfer of Armenian Church Property Leads to Numerous Conflicts—Trouble Brewing at Keff.

London, Nov. 30.—The Times Russian correspondent says disturbances are reported in all the Russian provinces of Armenia. Conflicts are occurring everywhere between the people and the troops or police. The chief cause of the outbreaks is the decree by which the property of the Armenian church was handed over to the government.

The Moscow correspondent of the Times reports alarming disturbances among the working classes in Keff. The police force has been largely increased. The government general threatens summary punishment for persons circulating rumors likely to accentuate apprehension among the inhabitants.

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I do not mean that Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure can turn bony joints into flesh again. That is impossible. But it will drive from the blood the poison that causes pain and swelling, and then that is the end of Rheumatism. I know this so well that I will furnish for a full month my Rheumatic Cure on trial. I cannot cure all cases within a month. It would be unreasonable to expect that. But most cases will yield within 30 days. This trial treatment will convince you that Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure is a power against Rheumatism—a potent force against disease that is irresistible.

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I have no samples. Any mere sample that can affect chronic Rheumatism must be drugged to the verge of danger. I use no such drugs for it is dangerous to take them. You must get the disease out of the blood. My remedy does that even in the most difficult, obstinate cases. It has cured the oldest cases that I ever met, and in all of my experience, in all of my 2,000 tests, I never found another remedy that would cure one chronic case in ten.

Write me and I will send you the book. Try my remedy for a month, for it can't harm you anyway. If it fails the loss is mine.

Address Dr. Shoop, Box 18, Racine, Wis. Mild cases not chronic are often cured by one or two bottles. At all druggists.

Canadian sheep and lambs took off the twelve prizes awarded at the national stock show at Chicago for entries in two classes, and the exhibitors from the province of Ontario point to this in connection with the refusal of the St. Louis people to recognize the stud and herd books of Canada.

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WANTED—A man, age 25 to 35, with at least two years' experience as a wholesale carpet salesman, to do special work; references. Address 255, Times.

WANTED—Victoria Daily Times of March 27th, April 10th and 22nd, and September 7th—1902.

WANTED—200 lamps and candlesticks, also wanted clothing and furniture, to ship North. F. Blittmeyer, auctioneer and commission agent. Office, 53 Blanchard street; 2 phones.

WANTED—A male teacher for Craigflower Public School (married man preferred); to commence January 1st, 1904. Applications to be addressed to John J. Wilson, Secy. Board of School Trustees, Victoria, P. O.

WANTED—The public to know where they can get blank books, law, music and kind; also clothing and maps and charts imported. E. P. Craft, 86 Yates street.

WANTED—All kinds of furniture and other household goods. Best cash at the Old Curiosity Shop, corner of Fort and Blanchard. Pierce O'Connor.

WANTED—Reliable men to sell for the Fonthill Nurseries, largest and best assortment of stock. Liberal terms to successful agents. Write for circulars, sample territory. Stone & Wellington, Toronto.

FOR SALE. FOR SALE—At less than cost of improvements, 121 acre in Highland District; first-class frame dwelling, log stable and other outbuildings, about 50 fruit trees belonging to bear; make fine chicken ranch; good road; \$1,000; terms. Apply Times office.

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APPLE TREES—10,000 splendid trees, catalogue free. Mt. Tomlin Nursery, established 1880, Victoria, B. C.

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REMOVING—Everything must go at any price. Second-hand tools, furniture, stoves, heaters, beds, etc. Scrap iron and junk bought as usual, at Eden's Junk Store, 125 Fort street.

FOR SALE—New six roomed cottage, sewer connection, electric light, etc., situated on Pandora Hill, facing South Pandora street; very cheap, easy terms. Moore & Whittington, contractors, 159 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Very choice fruit and farm lands at Gordon Head in twenty-acre blocks. Heisterman & Co.

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20 CANARIES—Fine singers, for sale, at Mrs. Lang's, 84 1/2 Douglas street, upstairs.

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The pretty bride entered, when she found an old lady who told her the bridegroom was a robber, and hid her behind a large cask as the robbers entered. The old lady then dragged them, and the bride made her escape, and the robbers were captured and punished. Find the Robber Bridgroom.

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle.—Right side down, head against man's shoulder.

TO LET. TO LET—Cottages, in first-class condition and location. Apply 247 Yates street.

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LOST OR FOUND. LOST—Between Rupert street and corner of Cook and Yates, small locket; initials A. L. B.; containing two photos; of no value to any but owner. Finder leave at 92 Johnson and receive reward.

LOST—On Saturday, 28th inst., between 5th hall and court house, purse containing small sum of money. Finder will be rewarded at Times office.

NOTICE. NOTICE OF REMOVAL—W. A. Robertson & Son having removed their horse shoeing and carriage business to 56 Discoverey street, will be pleased to meet their customers, and receive a share of the public patronage. New and second-hand vehicles for sale; also a good serviceable horse for \$25.

MME. RODGERS, late of San Francisco, is moving her dressmaking parlors to the White House. Perfect workmanship guaranteed.

SOCIETIES. COURT CARIBOO, No. 745, E. O. F., meets in Caledonia Hall, first and Third Deas streets, at 8 p. m., each month. T. B. Deas, secretary, 48 Yates street.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION. Vancouver-Quindra, No. 2, A. F. A. M., Monday, November 30th, at 7.30 p. m. R. B. McMeeking, Secy.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 1-5 a. m.—An important ocean storm area is crossing Northern British Columbia. It has caused a heavy and general rainfall west of the Coast and high southerly to westerly winds are reported both on the Coast and the Straits.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly and westerly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional rains.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.81; temperature, 50; minimum, 46; wind, calm; rain, .27; weather, rain.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Vancouver—P. McLagan, P. Irvine, C. Roberts, J. Heed, A. Davis, F. Bradford, A. Gonzalez, H. E. Edmond, E. J. Pader, J. Beck, E. P. Darcy, A. McEwen, D. Ferguson, M. J. Ritchie, F. M. Rattoborn, Mrs. Brown, H. J. O'Leary, Wm. Gordon, J. A. Fossin, E. F. Devoe, J. E. Freeman, J. H. Maje, B. W. Huckle, M. E. Duffy, J. Gennell, A. G. Wing, W. P. Irwin, W. Evans, C. W. Meyers, E. K. Barber, J. Lassett, M. R. Rowe, Mrs. Schwengers, J. Schwengers, F. Wakefield, R. Hall, E. McKinnon, W. A. Hossitt, G. McArthur, R. W. Whitehead.

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These distressing skin diseases relieved by one application. Dr. Agnew's Ointment is a potent cure for all eruptions of the skin.

MILITARY MATTERS.

Events of the Present Week in Regimental Circles. Members of the Fifth Regiment are requested to take note of the following programme for the week, which will be published from day to day with the elimination of the various events as they occur.

There is Hope for Cancer Sufferers

THE NEW CONSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT SUCCESSFUL IN THE WORST CASES. Those who suffer from cancers and tumors must not lose hope because operations have failed to bring relief.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

BOTH THE LEADERS SPOKE ON ADDRESS

The Government Scored for Breaking Its Anti-Election Pledges—John Oliver's Vigorous Attack.

Victoria, Nov. 30th. The sitting of the legislature was taken up this afternoon with three speeches delivered upon the address on reply to the speech from the throne. This occupied all the time up to 6 o'clock, when the House adjourned.

The speaker of the opposition, Mr. Macdonald, made his maiden effort in the legislature, impressing both sides with his fairness. He took the government to task for advocating the readjustment of the two per cent. mineral tax before election, and pledging themselves to a change in that connection, and then leaving it as it stood.

Mr. Macdonald congratulated the mover and seconder of the address upon the way in which they had acquitted themselves. He only hoped that his own maiden effort would be delivered as well.

He referred to the marked difference which characterized the introduction of party lines. He hoped that stability would be given to the governments in the province in consequence of this.

The speech itself was summed up in the two words—taxation and borrow. He did not wish to speak of it disparagingly on that account. It was perhaps necessary that taxes should be increased.

Members of the government in the last parliament described the tax as working infamously, and the Premier had stated that it should be adjusted. Yet these men came and re-enacted it in their new measure.

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that it would not be to the benefit of British Columbia if mines were exempted from taxation until they were on a paying basis. The present tax worked out so that mines which would not be sold under half a million dollars paid no more to the revenues than mines which were not worth more than \$500.

He had no confidence in the government, not because it was a Conservative government, because he was not so strong a party man as to take that stand, but he did so because the government had too weak a majority.

Another reason was seen for this appeal to patriotism in events which happened between October 3rd and the present time.

It was found that a loop hole existed by which the Attorney-General and the Provincial Secretary were excused from returning these ballot boxes. Even if such a loop hole existed he could not approve of the members of the government crawling through this loop hole.

He trusted that the wrong done in the Fernie riding would yet be rectified. They had the opportunity yet to do so, and he trusted they would avail themselves of that opportunity.

Hon. Premier McBride also congratulated the mover and seconder of the address. He congratulated the legislator and the province upon the fitness of the leader of the opposition for the duties which devolved upon him.

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In the province of Ontario Premier Ross had had to pay 7 per cent. on a loan of \$2,000,000. The government had endeavored to secure a loan on better terms. It was outside of their power to do so. They had exhausted every means before they got a loan on as favorable grounds as that proposed.

Coming to the Fernie ballot box case the Premier said that the government was not responsible for the matter. The statute book, and the leader of the opposition knew well that no redress was legally possible, as otherwise an appeal would have been taken from the decision given in the court.

An appeal was taken, however, to the highest court in this province, it was true—an appeal to the electorate in the Vancouver bye-election—and it was decided against the opposition in spite of the eloquence of their leader on this very question.

Continuing, the Premier referred to the trip of ministers to Ottawa to seek better recognition of the rights of the province. The report would be forthcoming in a short time. If the province were given proper recognition with respect to railway matters alone it would not be likely to require the House to meet at this time this year.

Referring to the statement of the leader of the opposition, that the speech from the throne contained little, the Premier said that was not a true description of such a speech. He had used it himself when in opposition. But he was honest in it, and he did not wish to reflect upon the leader of the opposition in saying so.

There was a need of a Coast-Kootenay line and also a railway to open the northern section of the province. But the most important matter now was the solving of the financial situation. With liabilities pressing upon them on December 15th, it was necessary that the legislature give its attention entirely to the financial situation until that was solved.

He wondered that no reference was made by the leader of the opposition to the Grand Trunk Pacific. He found nothing in it which guaranteed British Columbia anything in the building of the section through the province. His government had pressed for recognition of the province with regard to business during construction days upon the Dominion government, but he had received nothing except the statement of two members from British Columbia that this would be done.

Referring to the weakness of past governments he said that the return of the Dunsmuir government by 16 of a majority was not a sign of strength. A government was strong not only by the number of its supporters but by the cohesion of the party and the ability of the leaders, and that was lacking in the Dunsmuir government.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

The two leaders spoke yesterday in the Legislature. The opposition has no reason to be dissatisfied with the comparisons which are inevitable.

John Oliver also spoke, McBride wishes he hadn't.

Mr. Macdonald in his maiden speech in the House, we are sure, convinced his followers that they made no mistake in their choice of a leader. Possessed of an excellent Parliamentary style, a beautifully modulated, resonant and perfectly attuned voice, whose low notes can be heard distinctly in a by no means acoustically perfect chamber, it is a pleasure to listen to the new leader making his points. And he is a debater of the stamp who believes in appealing to the reason of his hearers rather than in declamation. He possesses none of the qualities of the speakers of the bombastic type, "all sound and no sense," to put the case in homely phrase.

While Mr. Macdonald is not an orator of the slashing style, he develops a system of attack that is most effective. The fine tone of scorn with which he referred to the disregard of pledges made manifest in the new schemes of taxation brought down by the government; the relentless, merciless coolness with which he exposed the government's crooked work in connection with the Fernie election, its evident determination to secure a majority even at the cost of the laws it should be its principal business to administer justly and impartially; the sarcastic allusion to the doubtfulness of the title to a seat in the House of the gentleman who describes himself as the member for Fernie, although he has merely been declared elected by his partner in business, and is afraid to permit a judicial authority to sit upon his title to the seat, made the principal actor in the outrage blush, while the leader of the government, who is not remarkable for particularly fine sensibilities, squirmed in his seat and looked half inclined to assume a look of shame.

But when Mr. McBride evidently thought he had put his accuser to confusion and settled the case in his party's favor when he triumphantly pointed out that the agents of the opposition, through their own dilatory tactics, had permitted the "ballot boxes to escape from them." Perhaps if they had known the character of the men they had to deal with the opposition would have mounted guard over the ballot boxes and kept them in sight until all the requirements of the law had been fulfilled and the rightful representative of the constituency of Fernie had been declared elected. Unfortunately, there were no sufficiently sharp men around at the time, and the agent of the government which is willing to connive at crookedness of the lowest kind, the zealous partner of the "member for Fernie" put the boxes in the hands of people who were more anxious to retain power than to deal out simple, abstract justice.

The leader of the government practically admitted that a crime had been committed against the constituency of Fernie, but claimed that technically the ministers had no choice in the matter. There was no doubt whatever as to the intent of the law, but it was more convenient for them to observe its letter than its spirit. There is no question whatever that it was in the power of the government to do the right thing and the just thing by returning the ballot boxes to the courts, but it was expedient under the circumstances in which the government found itself to stand upon the letter of the law. The government in its magnanimity, in its largeness of spirit, a spirit which unites the remarkable orations of the Premier—is willing to do the right thing before the session closes. It will bring down a bill to relieve itself from the irksome letter of the law which need not have bound it for a single moment. If it does not see fit to oppose its own bill, which would be just as reasonable as the course it has already pursued,

we shall know before the House meets again—if the government believes it has sufficient of a majority—who is the lawful representative of Fernie. If a member of the opposition were to undertake to anticipate the action of the government by introducing a bill straightening out the kinks in the law which has enabled Mr. McBride to cling to power, we do not know what might happen.

The evidence of the effect of the party lines movement was forthcoming yesterday in the Legislature. It was the first day of skirmishing order. Premier McBride thought he was training his heavy artillery on the Ottawa government when he took up the question of the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. The honorable gentleman made plenty of noise, and the clouds of dust he puffed from his desk suggested smoke and dire execution. But when Mr. Oliver had finished with him the Honorable Richard stood revealed as a mere political pugna. He is not a whit deeper in conception nor broader in view as the head of the government and of the great Conservative party in British Columbia than was Richard McBride the nominal leader of the opposition.

PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS. A most acceptable Xmas Gift is a piece of Jewellery or silver-ware, if being, if good, both useful and lasting. We have laid in a specially fine stock for this season, and the few prices at which we can supply really good articles will surprise you. As it would be impossible to enumerate all we have to offer, we ask you to visit our Store, when we shall be pleased to show you our goods whether you wish to purchase or not. C. E. Redfern, 43 GOVERNMENT ST. Established 1862. Telephone 118.

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mier. The party will surely be defeated if this is not done.

It is curious that the Colonist repeats to-day a statement made in the News-Advertiser several days ago that the Ontario government was compelled to pay 5 per cent. on a loan of two million dollars recently negotiated. It is also curious that the assertion is couched in language peculiarly like that constantly used by our Vancouver contemporary. We would not like to say that our neighbors and Mr. F. Carter-Cotton, M. P. P., are deliberately attempting to deceive the electorate, the heavily-taxed electorates of British Columbia. But we should prefer to be informed upon the circumstances under which the two million dollar loan was negotiated. The News-Advertiser and its direction have long been known, not to put the matter too strongly, for the "hawkiness" of their ways. We are sorry to observe symptoms of degeneracy in our neighbor the Colonist.

A good story is being told by the Montreal Witness illustrative of the high spirits and keen wit of the Premier. The references to Mr. Tarte's solicitude for the health of Sir Wilfrid at the time he was in weak health a year ago will be remembered. At the Laval students' dinner last week, so the story goes, Sir Wilfrid met Mr. Tarte. The Prime Minister cordially greeted his former Minister of Public Works, and laying his hand sympathetically on his shoulder remarked slyly: "My dear fellow, how you are aging. You are getting quite gray and worried looking. You will have to take great care of yourself, or we shall be losing you some of these days." Considering that this remark was made by the man who was said to be dying a year ago, and addressed to the man who was understood to be the most ready believer in the statement, it was repeated as one of the best political stories of the year.

Skookum Jim, an Indian, who has become rich as a result of his mining operations in the Yukon, is visiting the city. He will leave by the steamer Callahan for Seattle this evening, and from that city will take the steamer Dolphin en route to Campbell's Crossing.

SPENCER'S. WESTERN CANADA'S BIG STORE. The Holiday Spirit Is In the Air. The store full of Brilliant Offerings during the CHRISTMAS SALE. There are a good many people who are ready enough to avoid the Christmas rush by doing their shopping early, as is shown by the many gift things already being sold.

About the Silks. You would never have guessed that those exquisite Fannie Velvets and those dignified fancy silks belonged to the sale offerings if you hadn't seen the price tickets on them to-day. There really hasn't been anything handsomer shown this season than just these beautiful new groups that may now be secured at these radical reductions in price. English Washing, Taffeta Silks, stripes and Shepherd checks. Regular, \$1.90, for 65c. a yard.

Fancy Striped Satins. For evening wear. Regular price, 75c. and 90c., for 55c.

Fancy Blouse Silks. Regular, 75c. and \$1.00, for 55c.

Panne Velvets. Regular, \$1.25, for 75c. a yard.

Evening Broches. Colors, pink, pale blue, heliotrope, Nile, red, yellow and turquoise. Regular, \$1.50, for 85c. a yard.

\$1.75, 2.00 and 2.25 Silks for \$1.25. Fancy Broches and Satins, all evening shades. And three times as many more offerings in the Silk Sale just as desirable.

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Fancy Linen Goods. For the Holiday Season at special prices. Wednesday. Squares, 18x18 hemstitched deep border, price 20c. each. Embroidered and hemstitched 35c. Hemstitched and fancy Drawn Thread, 45c. Fancy Embroidered and Drawn Thread, 50c. Runners, size 18x27, plain hemstitched at 25c. Hemstitched and all around drawn border 25c. Scalloped with two rows of drawn thread. Price 25c. Embroidered 35c. Fancy Embroidered Hemstitched 40c. Scalloped Drop Stitch border, 50c. Scalloped Fancy Embroidery, \$1.00. Runners, size 18x36, hemstitched and fancy embroidered, 50c. Hemstitched with drawn thread border, 75c. Runners, size 18x45, hemstitched with drawn thread border, also hemstitched fancy embroidery, price 50c. Fancy Embroidered Hemstitched, at 65c, 75c. and \$1.00. Hemstitched with drawn thread, very choice design, \$1.50. Hemstitched and drawn thread border, fine embroidery, \$2.00. Scalloped border, scroll design finished with lovers' knots, \$2.00.

Fancy Linen Goods (Continued). Scalloped border, rounded corners, white embroidery on brown linen, \$2.50. Runners, size 18x34, fancy embroidered, 50c. Embroidered Shamrock and drawn thread border, \$1.25. Fringed with drawn thread border, \$1.50. Runners, size 18x72, Heavy Austrian Linen, drawn work border, 75c. and \$1.25. Fringed, fancy drawn thread border, \$1.75. Very fine embroidered Irish linen up to \$6.50. Table Centres and Tray-Cloths, 24x24. Hemstitched and drawn thread border, 35c. Hemstitched fancy embroidery, 75c. and \$1.00. Size 20x20, at 50c. each. Size 30x30, scalloped fancy embroidery, 50c. Fancy embroidered Irish Linen, \$1.25 to \$2.25. 32x32, drawn work and embroidery, 50c., 60c. and 75c. Hemstitched fancy Fleur de Lis Embroidery, 90c. Hemstitched fancy embroideries and drawn thread, \$1.25. Others at \$1.50 and \$1.75. Size 30x30, prices 50c., 65c., 75c., 90c., \$1.00, \$1.25 to \$3.00 each. Dollies, all kinds, 50c. dozen to 75c. each.

Sale of Christy's Sample Caps Wednesday. All Qualities at 25c Each. Most of Them Worth 50c at Least.

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Knit Wool Jackets. Hand-made, at 50c., 65c., 75c., 85c., \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Dainty colors, pure white and with pink and blue combinations.

Bootees. In cream and white, also with pink and blue mixtures. Prices from 15c. to 90c. Fur-lined, 15c. and 25c. Gaiters in wool, 25c., 35c. and 50c. Bibs, 5c. to \$1.50 each.

Infants' White Muslin Robes. \$1.75 to \$15.00. Trimmed with lace and embroidery.

Cashmere Cloaks. Trimmed with silk embroidery.

Ice Wool Shawls. \$1.75 and \$2.50.

Umbrella Shawls. Made of Shetland Hosiery, in all sorts of effective combinations, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50 each.

Foot Form Shoes for Xmas Selling. ON SALE TO-MORROW. Infants' Tan Lace Shoes, with velvet facing to match, 8 to 10½, \$1.75 pair; 4 to 7½, \$1.50 pair. Tan Strap Slippers, 3 to 7½, \$1.00 pair. Tan Button Shoes, 3 to 6, 85c. pair. Tan Lace Shoes, 4 to 7½, \$1.35 pair. Tan Button Shoes, 4 to 7½, \$1.35 pair. Patent Leather Strap Slippers, 8 to 10½, \$1.50 pair. Black Vel Kid Cloth Top Lace Shoes, 4 to 7½, \$1.50; 8 to 10½, \$1.75.

New Queen Quality Shoes. Winter weight, with leather lining, \$3.75. Two new cuts in Slippers for Women. The New High Front Slipper, French heel, made of polished vic. Price \$2.50. Southern Tie Slipper, Dongola, French heel. Price \$3.00. These two styles are quite new to Victoria. French Heel Kid Slipper, patent vamp and bowes. Price \$1.50.

Mantle Department. New Jackets for Xmas. 28 new styles marked to-day. New Guards-Coats, New Military Coats. Silverware Novelties. A large case of novelties marked to-day on sale to-morrow. See Colonist for description.

On View in Toy Department, 2nd Floor. A large variety of 5c. Toys. Horns and Trumpets from 5c. to 50c. Cans and Whips from 5c. to 25c. Reins from 25c. to 75c. Revolving Chimes from 25c. to 75c. Rattles from 15c., 20c. and 25c. Loop the Loop, 35c. Musical Bells, 50c. and 75c. Mexican Repeaters, 50c. Shipping Ropes, bells attached, 25c. and 50c. Mechanical Toys at 50c. Steamboats, 15c. to \$5.00. Rubber and Gas Balls, 10c. to \$1.00. Motor Cars, \$3.50. Xmas Tree Ornaments. Trains running on tracks, \$1.00 to \$12.50. Complete set Tramway Cars, \$19.50. Steam and Hot Air Engines, 50c. to \$25.00. Magic Lanterns, \$1.00 to \$5.00. Dolls' Tea and Coffee Sets, 20c. to \$5.50. Pianos, 50c. Building Blocks and Toy Chests. Drums, 50c. to \$2.00. Trunks, 25c. to \$1.00. Musical Toys, 25c. Painting Slates and Blackboards, Slights, 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.25. Mouth Organs, 10c., 15c. and 25c. Dolls from 5c. to \$12.50.

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Dr. A. A. Humber has removed his office to Government street, over Redfern's.

The Horseshoe saloon on Government street has changed hands. Messrs. Wolfenden & Millington being the purchasers. They contemplate making extensive alterations.

The period of reduced rates on courses in the International Correspondence Schools has been extended till December 7th. Enroll now and get the very liberal discount.

On Monday evening, the 30th inst., an entertainment will be given by the Wallace Society in their hall, Broad street. It will consist of beautifully colored views of British scenery by the optigraph, with musical effects, and moving pictures. Admission, 25 cents.

Yesterday afternoon in the Nanaimo police court Magistrate Yarwood sentenced Emmanuel Connelly to one year's imprisonment in jail for slouping Frank Tropic, and David McNamee to one month for assaulting him. This was the result of a row which occurred last Sunday week, in which Connelly was seriously cut by Tropic, who got three years.

One of the pages of the legislature, Master Don Herbert, distinguished himself at mid-summer when a pupil of the Central school by winning the prize for Canadian history in competition with all the other schools of the city. This prize Bourinot's "Canada," handsomely bound, was presented to young Herbert at the legislative chamber by R. L. Drury, M. P. P. Don won the Governor-General's medal as well as the history prize.

A proposal to build a hospital at Ladysmith has been decided upon at a meeting held there. The cost is estimated at \$1,500, and to secure funds each member of the Accident & Burial Association over 16 years of age will be assessed \$1, and those under 16, 50 cents. Mr. Pelkey, who made the proposal, suggested that two such assessments would cover the building expenses. The burial fund committee is making the arrangements.

Sittings of the district boards of licensing commissioners will be held on December 15th as follows: South Victoria, provincial police office, Victoria city, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon; North Victoria license district, provincial police office, Mayne Island, at noon; Esquimalt district, in the old school house, Esquimalt, at 11 o'clock. There is a total list of twenty-five applications divided as follows: South Victoria license district, five; North Victoria license district, four; Esquimalt, sixteen. The license inspectors are E. S. Hussey, F. R. Murray and A. M. Ego.

Tenders will be received for stations in Cape Colony by the general officer, Cape Colony, Capetown, for stations in Natal by the G. O. C. Natal district, Pietermaritzburg, and for stations in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, by the director of supplies, Artillery barracks, Pretoria, until 12 noon on January 5th, 1904, for the supply of bread, flour and groceries, and on Thursday, January 7th, 1904, for the supply of meat and forage for a period of twelve months from April 1st, 1904. Forms of tender and conditions of contract may be obtained on application to W. W. Moore, chief markets division, department of agriculture, Ottawa.

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In Chalouier & Mitchell's window may be seen some of the rich free gold specimens from the Poplar Creek properties of the Great Northern Mining Co., mention of which was made in yesterday's Times.

The sparkle and glitter of cut glass among the Christmas presents is bound to be appreciated by the woman with a pretty home. Weller's cut glass has always been distinguished for its beauty and richness.

Every dollar purchase entitles you to one guess how many yards of Ribbon? for the Solid Gold Watch, to be given by Santa Claus on January 1st, 1904. Ribbon displayed in our north window. The S. Reid Co., Limited.

A special meeting of the joint committee of the three city lodges will be held on Wednesday evening, at 7:30, in the library of the Odd Fellows' hall, for the purpose of making arrangements for a masquerade ball to be held during Christmas week.

The regular meeting of the Mothers' Club will be held in Spring Ridge school to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Davies will read a paper on "Directing Children's Play." This will be followed by a general discussion. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

On Friday last the fruit growers of the district which has Victoria as its market met in the rooms of the department of agriculture. The object of the gathering was to effect an organization looking to the mutual advantage of the fruit growing interests. Provisional officers were elected, A. Strachan, of Gordon Head, being president, and W. C. Grant, secretary-treasurer. There was a good attendance; about thirty-five being present. A committee on by-laws and constitution was appointed, and will report to an adjourned meeting to be held on Friday of this week.

A Chinaman was charged with vagrancy in the police court to-day. He has been in the habit of spending his days loafing about Chinatown and his nights in the old untenanted structure in the Fairfield estate formerly occupied by Governor Trench. The police have been watching the place for some time, and Sergeant Walker paid several nocturnal visits to the ancient house, but until recently they have been unable to catch him. He was remanded, a drunk, who had a previous appearance to his credit or rather discredit, was fined \$5 or ten days.

At the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Esquimalt, last evening, an entertainment was given under the auspices of the Centennial Methodist church choir. There was a large attendance. Included in the programme were two choruses and two solos by the choir. W. Hicks, W. Ives and G. E. Deville and Miss Deville rendered solos. Dr. Morris presided, and Miss E. Hicks acted as accompanist. At the close Mr. Giffin moved a vote of thanks to the chairman and singers, which was carried with enthusiasm. Before those present departed H. D. Hejnen, who has always taken a keen interest in the welfare of the home, announced the intention of Mrs. Hejnen to organize an entertainment during the coming holiday season in aid of the home.

A fairly good crowd attended the boxing tournament at the Nanaimo Athletic Club on Saturday night. The main attraction was the ten-round contest between Joe Stubbart and Aaron Stewart of Northfield. This was very heavily contested throughout. Stewart had the advantage of his opponent about fifteen pounds. Jack Slavin refereed the match and announced a draw. The other items on the programme were a four-round go between J. Slavin and J. Killean, the local man showing up well against the old ring veteran. J. Sullivan and C. Killean also had a four-round go and Killean went at his man hammer and tongs. The entertainment was closed with a six-round exhibition between Slavin and Sullivan, the visiting pugilist. Nanaimo Herald.

A meeting of the poultry association will be held in the secretary's office, Government street, this evening.

Have you seen Weller Bros.' little Christmas folder? It is full of suggestions for that gift. Get one.

The vital statistics for Victoria during the month of November as registered are: Births, 24; marriages, 13; and deaths, 17.

Geo. H. Dawson, of the International Correspondence School, is back from the north, and will be found at his office in the Moody block, 76 Yates street.

A mass meeting of all the trades in the city interested in the formation of a building trades council will be held at Labor hall on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Friendly Help Association acknowledges with thanks the donation of \$30.50 from A. G. H. Barnard. This is the second time this year the association has received the same sum.

A course in the International Correspondence Schools is a valuable Christmas present for that young friend of yours. The 25% per cent. concentration discount expires on December 7th. Enroll now.

A report from Ladysmith states that a contract has been made with the Van-Anda mines to ship the whole output of ore to the Tye-smelter. This contract is for two years, and the output is estimated at 15,000 tons a year.

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Many entries have already been made for the dolls' exhibition. Entries should be made at once at Messrs. Hibben & Co. Twelve prizes are offered in connection with this doll exhibit. Dolls will be for sale; also fancy articles suitable for Christmas presents, home-made candy and sprigs of holly.

Yesterday J. Little, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., forwarded to the Shaftesbury Society, England, the sum of \$32.50 collected for the purpose of providing a "Victoria" Christmas dinner to the destitute children of London. Although the amount subscribed was not as large as might have been, Messrs. Fisher and Little, who were the originators of the movement, heartily thank all who contributed.

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Last evening at Victoria hall, Blanchard street, an entertainment was held under the auspices of the Painters' Union. There were about seventy couples in attendance. Music was supplied by the Sobel-Bantley orchestra. The programme had been carefully prepared, and was thoroughly enjoyed, many of the selections being accorded enthusiastic applause. At about 11 o'clock supper was served, after which dancing continued. Those present did not disperse until 2 o'clock in the morning.

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(Continued from page 3.)

know that it was impossible for any such line to be built in five years, unless the work of construction was undertaken not only at the east end, but the west end, and from every other available starting point along the route. Knowing this the Federal government did not burden the agreement with useless verbiage. He was not so sure that the Premier did not know this, but he (Mr. McBride) spoke from the standpoint of what he would like it to be. Referring to the question of labor on the line, the speaker said that the fair-wage clause in all agreements in Dominion contracts would settle this question of the employment of Oriental labor. The wages on the construction of this line would be the wage prevailing in the district through which it passed.

What right had the government of this province to take a hand in this matter? It was outside their power. It had been raised by the Premier for election purposes. It was done in order that the Premier might appear as more important than he was.

The Premier had come to Seattle to endeavor to get a railway policy. He came back with the announcement that the Coast-Kootenay road would be built without any aid from the province. Yet a year before that had been stated in the House. This was the result of the Premier's efforts to get a railway policy.

The Premier had had considerable to say of a road through northern British Columbia to the Yukon. After all his talk a member of the Federal House came back from Ottawa and announced that the road would be built, aided by the Dominion government.

When that northern road to the Yukon was built it would, he felt sure, be not by the assertions of Premier McBride, but by the common every day business ability of the Ottawa government.

It was a most peculiar stand the Premier took. After making loud professions of what he was going to do, he came to the opposition, whom he wished to aid him in getting his bills through.

He believed that the government had discharged a few temporary assistants in the civil service, who should, in the interests of economy, have been dispensed with before. They had an instance of a civil servant leading for a trip and giving instructions to his subordinate that he should wash his dogs with carbolic soap, should take them out for a daily airing and then to fill in the time go up to the house and do some chores.

He knew that in his district that the public work which should have been done in the dry season was put off until the wet weather in the fall, so as to give work during the time of the election. The same was true in Dewdney. The money on the Ladner-Westminster road was wasted. A competent estimate of the road resulted in it being stated that \$4,000 would put the road in condition. Westminster contributed \$2,000, and the \$2,000 voted by the government should have completed it. Yet it would require \$2,000 or \$2,500 to put it in shape.

"Hasn't the work been done efficiently on the road?" asked Premier McBride. "I say that there has not been sufficient done for the money expended," replied Mr. Oliver.

A million was expended on the Westminster bridge, yet its efficiency for vehicular traffic was lessened by a half mile of road, which would form an approach to it, being left almost impassible.

Had the dykes been properly handled these would be no need for the \$1,000,000 loan now. Handled correctly these would have been settlers enough in those districts to have recompensed them for it.

There was no mention of this question being dealt with by the government. It was a knotty question, and the government would not deal with it. If the dyking question was not to be dealt with by the members of the government they should take the proper course and resign, giving place to men who could deal with it. There had been an immense amount of waste in connection with the dykes.

Taking up the Houston matter, Mr. Oliver said he found that the president of the Conservative Association of British Columbia charged the Premier in his manifesto with being guilty of trickery

and treachery. The members should know whether these charges were true. Proceeding to refer to Mr. Houston's name being submitted to the Premier, Governor as a member of the cabinet, Attorney-General Wilson asked if he had authority for this.

Mr. Oliver, thereupon read the correspondence, including Mr. Houston's letter to Premier McBride and His Honor's letter to Mr. Houston.

Mr. Oliver then went into the history of the affair as outlined by Mr. Houston. Proceeding to show that the Premier must accept the responsibility for the Lieutenant-Governor's act or resign. Newspapers supporting the government held that the Premier was not responsible for the refusal of Mr. Houston, but that the Lieutenant-Governor alone was responsible.

Further proceeding to quote from Todd, Mr. Oliver held that the Lieutenant-Governor could only take a stand such as he did, being satisfied that the Premier was "prompted by corrupt, partisan, or unworthy motives." The Lieutenant-Governor was one who well understood constitutional procedure. He was surprised that a Premier under these circumstances persisting in retaining power. They had the name of His Honor used from end to end of the province in a connection in which it should not have been used by the Premier, who violated the confidential relations between His Honor and himself by revealing what took place.

The Premier had during the investigation into the Columbia & Western matter admitted that he had information relating to this, iniquitous transaction. He took advantage of the oath of office to refuse to give this. Yet the Premier did not refuse to violate the confidential relations supposed to exist between His Honor and himself. The Premier's conception of these matters differed according to the circumstances.

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The Conservatives understood that position when they convened in convention at Revelstake. It was agreed then that the adoption of party lines should not be introduced in the old parliament. Yet Premier McBride violated this understanding and the pledges given to the then opposition.

It was important that the province should have as its Premier a man who valued his pledges differently to this. The Premier had been guilty of treachery and trickery to the old opposition. To the Conservative party of which he was now the leader by usurpation, and to the Lieutenant-Governor, who called upon him as the leader of the then opposition, and not as a Conservative.

He also wanted to know if the Attorney-General had been true to his party which selected him as leader? He thought not. That man had been selected by his party in convention as its leader. Yet he did not avail himself of the position to which he was appointed. The members of the Conservative party under these circumstances had no confidence in him. (Government cries of "No.")

It being 6 o'clock the House adjourned. Notices of Motion.

By C. W. D. Clifford, on Wednesday next.

That an order of the House be granted for a return of all correspondence between the provincial government, or any official thereof, and the president of the Bella Coola colony, or any settler thereof, since the 1st January, 1903, on the subject of the expenditure of any appropriation for any public work in the Bella Coola valley.

By John Oliver, on Wednesday next.

That an order of the House be granted for a return showing the dates upon which the different returning officers in the provincial elections lately held forwarded the ballot boxes in their custody to the deputy provincial secretary.

above works, and what was the rate per day of wages paid?

3. What position did W. J. Mahson, of Mission City, hold in the government employ?

Mr. Oliver, on Wednesday next, will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works:

1. Did the government instruct the provincial mineralogist to report as to the value of lots 4,303 and 4,504, Southeast Kootenay, as mineral and oil-bearing lands?

2. If so, has the provincial mineralogist made his report?

3. If so, will the government bring down copies of the mineralogist's report at once for the information of this House?

Mr. McInnes, on Wednesday next, will ask the Minister of Mines:

Is it the intention of the government to introduce legislation this session amending the "Coal Mines Regulation Act," as recommended by the royal commission which last year inquired into accidents in coal mines?

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"MR. PICKWICK" AT VICTORIA THEATRE

De Wolff Hopper's First Appearance Here Scores Great Success—A Full House. Victorians last night had their first opportunity of witnessing De Wolff Hopper in "Mr. Pickwick," and people turned out in force for the occasion...

The eyes of the average reader. In these days of automobile popularity much has been said and written of the possibilities of the motor car for the army. Captain T. Reddy Mott, the American military attaché in Paris, has made for Outing an exhaustive study of the subject, and has taken a series of important photographs showing the uses to which the automobile has been put by continental armies...

SPORTING

THE TURF. Macon, Ga., Nov. 30.—Today, in the face of a cold and driving rain and a temperature of 37 degrees, Dan Patch broke the world's record pacing. He lowered the record of 2:00 to 2:03.94. Twenty-five minutes later, to the amazement of the spectators, he was running in 4:17, lowering Nerval's record of 4:19 by two seconds.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. COLLEGIATE TEAM WON. Yesterday afternoon at Beacon Hill a match took place between the North Ward and Collegiate school teams, resulting in a win for the latter by the score of 2 to 1. From the start the game was evenly contested. The Collegiate school team pressed their opponents hard, but the North Ward boys retaliated by making a well directed and successful attack on the Collegiate goal. The Collegiate boys then commenced to get the best of the play, and finally scored in scoring. Before the finish of the first half they had repeated this performance. In the second half North Ward was on the aggressive, and through a persistent bombardment of the Collegiate goal managed to score before the end of the game. A return match will be played at an early date.

PRACTICE YESTERDAY. There was a large attendance at a practice of the Y. M. C. A. team held yesterday afternoon at Beacon Hill. To-morrow afternoon a match will take place at Beacon Hill between the Y. M. C. A. and H. M. S. Grafton teams. Play will commence at 3 o'clock. This match has been arranged in order to give the Y. M. C. A. boys some good training in preparation for Saturday's league game with the Garrison eleven. The Y. M. C. A. team in tomorrow's contest will be as follows: Goal, Lovelace; full backs, Ritchie and Northcott; half backs, Little, Davidson and Whyte; forwards, Allot, Connor, Bate, Oakes and Shortall.

BASKETBALL. Y. M. C. A., 10; F. Y. M. A., 5. There was a large attendance at the F. Y. M. A. ball last evening, when the first goal was placed in the net in the first quarter. From the start of play the Y. M. C. A. team had the advantage, and made a number of shots without success. Then the Fernwoods took the aggressive, and gave Matthews and Roseman some hard work. Finally Mulenby scored a second goal for the Y. M. C. A. Shortly after this a free shot was awarded the Fernwoods and Robinson converted, making the first score for the F. Y. M. A. Half time was called shortly after the score then being: Y. M. C. A., 4; F. Y. M. A., 1. In the second half the Y. M. C. A. boys had things all their own way for a time. Three goals were scored in rapid succession. Bowers and Mulenby putting the ball in the basket, the former once and the latter twice. From this on the Fernwood team did better, and not only held their opponents down, but scored two goals. Loyal and Robinson were responsible for this, and needless to say, received quite an ovation at the hands of their adherents. This finished the scoring, the game ending as already stated. E. Gallop refereed the match impartially. The following were the teams: Y. M. C. A.—Guards, Matthews and Rose-

camp; centre, Dougall; forwards, Bowers and Mulenby. F. Y. M. A.—Guards, Strahan and Loyal; centre, Robinson; forwards, Todd and Moore. V. W. A. A. v. Y. M. C. A. The first of the senior league matches will take place next Saturday evening between the Victoria West and Y. M. C. A. teams at the drill hall. This game is likely to be well contested as the teams are very evenly matched and have been training faithfully for the past fortnight. As announced in yesterday's Times, it has been decided to play the senior league series at the drill hall, satisfactory terms having been agreed to by Bandmaster J. M. Finn.

KILLED FOR FIVE CENTS.

Restaurant Keeper Killed Railway Guard Who Did Not Pay Full Price for Breakfast. Chicago, Nov. 30.—Because he was short five cents in settling for his breakfast, Marcellus Sheehan, a guard on the elevated road, was shot and killed by Jas. Bergamus, proprietor of a Canal street restaurant. Sheehan said he would pay the nickel later. Bergamus, with the declaration, "You'll pay now or never leave this house," drew a revolver and without a word of warning shot Sheehan in the head, killing him instantly. Throwing Sheehan's body on the sidewalk, he locked up the place and fled.

The United States board of ordinance and fortifications in its annual report says that the results of tests made with the three-inch rapid firing gun, recommended by the board for adoption by the army, "show that when equipped with three-guns and carries the field artillery of our army will have a weapon equal, if not superior, to that of any nation."

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\$25.00 REWARD. The above reward will be paid to any person giving information which will lead to the conviction of the person or persons who broke into the pheasants' aviary at Beacon Hill Park on the night of the 25th instant and stole six pheasants therefrom. G. H. BARNARD, Chairman Park Committee.

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MUNICIPAL.

Collector's List of Lands or Improvements on Real Property Within the Corporation of the City of Victoria. To be Sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs on the THIRTIETH DAY of December, 1903, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale by Law, 1903," unless in the meantime the amounts of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid. If sold, the said Lands and Improvements will be chargeable with a proportion of the Legal Costs and incidental to the obtaining of the Judge's Order confirming such Sale.

Table with columns: Lot, Block, Section, Assessed Owner, Registered Owner, Total Amount of Taxes, Interest and Costs, Total Amount of Taxes, Interest and Costs, Total Amount of Taxes, Interest and Costs. Lists various lots and owners such as J. V. Spratt, J. W. Koller, and others.

N. B.—In column numbered 4 in above list the letter "L" means Land, and "L. and I." means Land and Improvements. Dated this 27th day of November, A.D. 1903, at City Hall, Victoria, B.C. CHARLES KENT, Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

Tenders for Debentures

Tenders, sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Debentures," will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 7th December, 1903, at 3 p. m., for the purchase, in whole or in part, of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, amounting to \$4,643.21, maturing the 31st August, 1912, secured upon the credit of the real property benefited by the amount of \$4,704.90, issued under authority of the same by-law, payable on the same date, secured upon the credit of the real property immediately benefited by the work of local improvement described in the said by-law.

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Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, B. C., on the 15th day of December, 1903, the premises known as the "Commercial Hotel," corner of Douglas and Cornhill streets, in the City of Victoria, to W. H. Stafford.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Corner District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant. LEONARD H. ROLLY, Land Commissioner.

Notice is hereby given that I, Harry Thomas Cole, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sitting for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous or fermented liquors by retail on the premises known as the "Pritchard House," situate on part of Lot 162, in the said City of Victoria, from the said Pritchard House to the premises situate at number 64 Yates street, in said city. Dated the 28th day of October, 1903. H. T. COLE.

Notice is hereby given that we, Hannah Smith and William A. Smith, carrying on business as Grocers under the name of The Windsor Grocery Company, on the premises numbered 19 and 21 Government street, intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, to be held after the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, for a license to sell spirituous liquors upon the said premises, in quantities of not less than a regulated pint bottle at any one time to any one person, not to be consumed upon the said premises. Dated this 4th day of November, 1903. HANNAH SMITH, WILLIAM A. SMITH.

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Desirable Furniture ORGAN, ETC.

Particulars later.



The "Passion Play," a series of interesting moving pictures portraying thirteen phases of the life of Christ, will be presented in the A. O. U. Hall this evening by the Edison Display Company. Two performances will be given to-night, commencing at 8 and 9 o'clock respectively. There will be a matinee to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, and another presentation in the evening. The various pictures will be explained by Herbert Cuthbert, and will be interpreted with sacred selections, the vocalists being Madame Lloyd and Elaine Forrest, and Frank De Rago will be the violin soloist.

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P. M. McFagan, an old Victorian, has arrived from Dawson and is now at the Dominion hotel. He had intended on his way out to put in the winter at Bullion creek, but was told that the snow was so deep on the road that he intends remaining here for some time, and will put off his trip to the northern mining camp till spring.
Geo. MacCarter, of Rossland, arrived last night and is at the Driand.

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Hemoid, Blind, Bleeding and Protruding Piles, no cure, no pay. All druggists are authorized by the manufacturers of Pile Ointment to refund the money where it fails to cure any case of piles, no matter of how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in six days; the worst cases in fourteen days. One application gives ease and relief. Relieves itching instantly. This is a new discovery and it is the only pile remedy sold on a positive guarantee, no cure, no pay. Price 50c. If your druggist hasn't it in stock send 50 cents (Canadian stamps accepted) to the Paris Medicines Co., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturers of Laxative Brown Quinine, the celebrated cold cure.

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HELD BY FOG.

R. M. S. Empress of China did not leave here until daylight this morning. So dense was the fog last night that, although the ship arrived from Vancouver early in the evening, she did not berth as usual at the outer wharf, and it was after 1 o'clock this morning before the tender, the Princess Beatrice, left the inner harbor with the Victoria mails and passengers to be placed aboard. Of the latter there were 50 Chinese. Among those on board the big white liner who had taken passage from Vancouver was Loing Kai-Chew and his henneman, Kang Yu Wei, who, it will be remembered, were in Victoria about a year ago. Chew is a Chinese reformer, and not many years ago had to flee from Peking. His head was wanted, and something like 100,000 tael were offered for his capture, dead or alive. From British Columbia he proceeded to Australia. Since his return to the coast, he has been collecting money in the interests of the Chinese Reform Association, and at San Francisco it is said he succeeded in raising the sum of \$150,000 in aid of his proposed scheme. Various impressions have been formed as to the exact nature of this. Some have even gone so far as to assert that it will mean the bringing about of a revolution in the southern part of China. Chew goes to Yokohama from Vancouver, and from there will direct operations. His purposes, it is stated, to open a school at Canton under the management of a white man.

there was a crew of some ten in all. The Waterswitch, after administering to their temporary wants, gave them a hawser and took them in tow.

DIANA AT LAST ARRIVES.

Held for over a month on the West Coast by capricious winds the schooner Diana, Capt. Thomas Wilson, which returned to port this morning, brings home her catch of 342 seal skins too late for shipment to the London market in time for the regular fall sales. The schooner was held so long on the coast that her crew had gotten down to their last rations aboard. The meat had disappeared, and the last sack of flour had been broken into. For weeks the vessel lay in Eschuellet unable to get out of port. Yesterday she got as far as Race Rocks, and was carried down the Straits again to a point opposite Sooke. Last night at 11 o'clock she passed the Race, and as there was a dead calm, anchored in the Roads until early this morning. Capt. Wilson reports having seen no other vessel down the coast but a small fishing boat. At Eschuellet a Vancouver company which operates the Blakeley and other vessels in the fishing business had a smoking house erected, and were in readiness for the first run of herring.

MARINE NOTES.

Capt. W. Langley, master of the Yukon steamer Wilbur Crimmins, one of the last of the Yukon fleet to tie up, has reached Seattle on the steamer Dolphin. He reports that the Crimmins, while reaching the mouth of the Klondike river at Dawson, was unable to tie up to her wharf on account of the ice.
The N. Y. K. steamer Iva Maru, inbound from the Orient, passed Carraquah at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.
Steamer Tees sails for northern British Columbia ports this evening.

THE VERDICT OF PUBLIC

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WATERWITCH DAMAGED.

The Athenia, which arrived here from the Orient on Sunday, brought news of the arrival of H. M. S. Waterswitch at Hongkong on the 30th of last month in a damaged condition. The Waterswitch experienced a very heavy gale on 28th October in the Formosa channel. Her boats were stove in and the deck-fitting smashed, and during the night of the tempest, when the ship was laboring heavily and shipping large quantities of water aboard, two petty officers and a bluejacket were washed overboard from the quarter-deck and drowned. Later on she passed through a quantity of wreckage including one boat, bottom up, and a dismantled junk; and later on when approaching Hongkong, she met with a riddleless Amyo junk, which, being uncontrollable, had blown miles and miles out of her course. When first seen, the occupants were yelling, waving their hands, and hitting their "rice-baskets" significantly to indicate that they were short of provisions.

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CAPE COLONY—Capetown, Grahamstown, King Williamstown, Maitland, Middelburg, Naanpoort, Simonstown, Wynberg.
NATAL—Durban, Howick, Ladysmith, Maritzburg, Moos River.
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Forms of tender and conditions of contract may be had on application to W. W. MOORE, Chief Markets Division, Department of Agriculture, Orange, or to any of the above-mentioned officers, or to the Director of Army Contracts, War Office, London.
The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.
G. F. WALTON, Captain,
A. D. O. S.,
For Director of Supplies,
Pretoria, 19th October, 1903.

—Yesterday Messrs. Ker and Cowan, treasurer and secretary of the Allison fund, collected about \$600 of the money subscribed. They expect to have all the money in about three days. There is every reason to believe that the total will amount to over \$1,000.

For nearly three days past the city of Cumana, on the Gulf of Carica, has been enveloped in sulphurous smoke. The inhabitants of the place, numbering about 10,000, are afraid to leave their houses. Cumana has been destroyed six times by earthquakes.

MARRIED.
MURRAY-MILLER—At Nelson, on Nov. 28th, by Rev. W. W. East, George A. McBean and Miss Josephine Miller.

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WANTED—Lady cook, for Jubilee House. Apply to Marston.

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FOR SALE—Good black horse, quiet to ride and drive; also harness and rubber-tired, buggy, re-tired, re-painted and new hood this summer. Apply Major Black, Work Point, Victoria.

WANTED—Lady as companion. Address C. E. Times office.

DOLE'S EXHIBITION—Metropolitan Hall, opposite P. O., Wednesday, Dec. 2nd. Doors open at 3 p.m. Admission, afternoon, 10 cents; evening, 25 cents. Refreshments, dolls for sale, candy, bolly, etc.

LOST—On 27th last, a dog, terrier dog, white with black spots. Any one found harboring same after this notice will be prosecuted. J. G. Burgess, 62 Kane street.

STATUARY

The plaster casts exhibited last week at the City Hall will be sold at
72 DOUGLAS ST.
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Japanese Curios Store

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Coffee Spoons, Rogers' best quality, \$2.00 half dozen.
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Nickle-Plated Mustard Pots, with spoon, like cut,
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Electro-Plated Breakfast Cruets, like cut.
90c Each
Dainty Breakfast Cruets, Cut Glass Bottles, from
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Carving Sets
3-Piece Carving Sets, with Steel, in plush lined cases, from \$4.50 Each
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\$7.50 Each

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Polished Golden Quartered Oak Tea Trays, with solid Nickel Handles, very superior quality, from \$3.25 Each

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Silver-Mounted Cut Glass Claret Jugs, each \$10.00

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