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THE KISHINEFF MASSACRE.

Advocate Who Pleaded for Jews Forbidden to Practice Law for Two Years.

New York, Jan. 6.—A Kishineff cable to the World says "Advocate Kalnovich has been forbidden to practice law for two years. He was eloquent on behalf of the Jews on the court that pretended to investigate the massacre. Secretary of the Council Karabzewski has been exiled to Siberia for five years. Both were charged with having supported the Jews in agitations against the government. Some rabbis have joined in a proclamation advising the Jews not to participate in uprisings, but to be loyal subjects to the Czar."

GERMAN SURTAX.

Consul Says His Country is Anxious Canada Should Remove Extra Duty.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—Herr F. Bopp, German consul at Montreal, was here in connection with the surtax on German imports. He said Germany is feeling the tax severely and wants it removed.
Sir Frederick Borlase.
Sir Frederick Borlase will be the speaker at the Ottawa Canadian Club's luncheon on Monday next. Sir Frederick will speak on what was accomplished for Canada during his recent visit to England, when the Imperial defence commission agreed to all the requests made by Canada in connection with the control of the militia.

TWENTY KILLED AND MANY INJURED

ANOTHER RAILWAY WRECK IN THE STATES

Passenger and Cattle Trains Collide Head-on—Some Bodies Crushed Beyond Recognition.

(Associated Press.)
Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 6.—The Rock Island, California & Mexico express, which left Chicago on Monday night at 11:30 for the West, collided head-on today at Williams, Kansas, fourteen miles west of Topeka, with a cattle train. Twenty persons were killed, and every person in the train was injured.
A relief train that left Topeka for the scene returned to that city at 7:30 this morning with the dead and injured.
The train which left Kansas City at 10 o'clock last night was moving at a rate of thirty miles an hour. The train carried many persons for Oklahoma, who had taken advantage of the home-sicklers' excursion rates. It also contained through sleepers and chair cars for San Francisco and Los Angeles.
The wreck was one of the most serious that has happened on the Rock Island system in years. Between Kansas City and Topeka the Rock Island uses the tracks of the Union Pacific, and as there are no officers of either roads in this city, details of the disaster were obtained with difficulty.
Several reporters who boarded the relief train as it left early this morning were put off the train shortly after it started, and the first details of the wreck was sent by persons on the wrecked train, after they had been returned to Topeka.
Occurring at a small station with few facilities for aid, and in the darkness, there was much delay in extracting the dead and injured, and in caring for the latter. The train was composed of a combination baggage and mail car, a regular baggage car, a smoker, a tourist sleeper and a standard sleeper.
H. G. Parsons, a reporter of the Topeka state journal, who was on the wrecked train, arrived in Topeka at 8 o'clock this morning, after driving a hundred miles from the scene of the collision. Parsons escaped with slight injuries, while two persons on the seat in front of him were killed.
Mr. Parsons tells this story, which is copyrighted by the Topeka State Journal: "The wreck occurred at 1:35 this morning, two miles west of Williams, Kas. At least 30 persons were instantly killed, while several others were fatally and a large number slightly injured. Two cars filled with passengers were demolished, both locomotives were destroyed, and four carloads of stock torn to pieces, and dozens of dead animals strewn over the right of way. Both trains were running at a speed of from 15 to 25 miles an hour, and when the engines met they were welded together by the impact. The engineer and fireman on the freight escaped without injury by jumping. The fireman on the passenger train was seriously injured, but the engineer escaped.
"It was in the third car of the passenger train, the first coach having been preceded by a smoker and baggage car, that the greatest loss of life occurred. The smoker, which was occupied by only two or three men, was overturned and pushed through the car behind it, which was crowded with passengers, some standing on the aisle. "The first warning given, the passengers in this car was when the sudden settling of the air brakes shut off the lights, leaving all in darkness. A moment later a mass of splintered wood and iron was thrown down upon them. No one was thrown out of his seat by the blow. Most of those in the forward end of the car were killed instantly. Thirty in the rear end of the coach, however, succeeded in escaping from that end of the car, which was still unobstructed. No one in the front half of the car escaped. They were crushed down between the seats by the smokers. "When rescue was finally possible, only three living persons were taken out by the rescuers, who were compelled to chop holes in the side and through the floor and top of the coach to reach them. "Bonnie Martin, a girl 11 years of age, was pinned down between the two cars, the heavy stove resting on one foot. When she was taken out she addressed a doctor who was bending over her as "papa." The physician did not have the heart to tell her that her father and mother had been killed. The child was suffering with a broken ankle, where the stove fell on her, and severe scalp contusions. She was put to sleep by a hypodermic injection to relieve the pain. "After daylight the work of removing the bodies began. The engine of the wrecked train coupled on to the two cars a sleeper and chair car which were uninjured and started back to Topeka with the victims. At Topeka all the injured were hurried to hospitals. Some of the bodies were so badly crushed as to be unrecognizable. Not a wheel in the entire passenger train seemed to be off the track. The four cars immediately behind the engine of the freight train were crushed into kindling. Dead and dying cattle littered the right of way, while others, uninjured, ran about adding to the confusion."
The wreck, according to the passenger conductor, was caused by the freight crew running off schedule. The passen-

ger train had the right of way, he declares, and the freight train should have waited for it to pass at Maple Hill, six miles west of the scene of the collision. The wreck occurred at a curve.
The identities of the dead are: A. Wright, Kansas City; James Griffin, Claremont, Mo.; W. S. Martin, Wm. Jackson, Call Fuller, a young girl, Blocktown, Ia.; Mrs. Henry Kaiser and child, Germany.
The unidentified dead include four girls, three boys, one man and four women.
A dispatch from the Associated Press says: "The Jewish bankers of New York will be asked to re-open the scope of the movement is world wide, and Gentiles will be asked to assist."

WILL REFUSE LOANS

Jewish Financiers Will Not Assist Governments of Countries Where Anti-Semitism is Rampant.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 6.—The American publishes this special from Berlin: "A powerful movement has been started among the Jewish financiers of the European capitals to prevent the countries whose governments systematically encourage anti-Semitism from obtaining any further loans. The two countries where anti-Semitism is most rampant are Russia and Roumania. The former will feel the effects of the movement most in the event of war with Japan. In fact Russia will be most seriously embarrassed by a thoroughly organized financial boycott, if the European combine is perfected. The Jewish bankers of New York will be asked to re-open the scope of the movement is world wide, and Gentiles will be asked to assist."

INVESTIGATING THE THEATRE DISASTER

SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE JURY TO DECIDE

State Attorney's Instructions to the Coroner—Four Bodies of Victims Still Unidentified.

(Associated Press.)
Chicago, Jan. 6.—"Make every possible effort to establish the identity of some persons who died in this corner," State Attorney Deussen has made this request of Coroner Tragar as they stood at the end of the blind gallery passage, where before a locked exit more than thirty victims of the Iroquois disaster were found. In this request, repeated at every point where bodies were found, State Attorney Deussen gave the key to one of the gravest questions that will confront the grand jury in fixing the criminal responsibility for deaths. It will not be sufficient for the purpose of a criminal prosecution for the coroner to show that the locked door was responsible for thirty deaths, even if the responsibility for the locked door is fixed. In order to sustain a prosecution for manslaughter, it will be necessary for the coroner to determine the identity of one or more of the individuals whose deaths the door caused.
The bodies of 556 victims of the Iroquois theatre fire have been buried, according to burial permits issued by the health department. Of the coroner's figures, which show that a total of 565 persons lost their lives in the fire, only nine bodies remain unburied. Four of these are unidentified. The records of the fire, both of the police department and the coroner, are still incomplete, and do not tally. On Thursday an official count of the dead in the various morgues was made by the police, and it was announced that 582 bodies had been found. To this total have been added from time to time the names of those who have died of injuries received in the fire until the police list reaches 591, and of these four bodies still remain unclaimed. So far as the police know there are but two persons still missing whose bodies have not been recovered nor are among the unidentified dead.
The closing of the theatre by order of the mayor is causing a daily loss of thousands of dollars to the hotel and restaurant keepers in the downtown districts. It has also thrown a great many restaurant employees out of work, and in many places it was stated that more help would be laid off if the theatres remain closed. Even the streets seem deserted after nightfall, and the traction companies feel the decrease of business.
As a result of the Iroquois theatre disaster, in which whole families perished, and lines of legal descent were made so complicated as almost to defy tracing, the Probate court faces a season of intricate litigation. The question of priority of death of the fire victims is the issue on which many of the estates may be hung up in the courts for months and years before they can be distributed. Probate Judge Cutting says that he anticipates that in hundreds of estates this issue will have to be determined before the estate can be adjudicated.
That the stage management of the Iroquois theatre never gave orders to govern the employees in case of a blaze, never instructed them as to opening or closing fire doors, and never gave them a fire drill was the testimony given today before Fire Inspector Falkerson. The witness was A. C. M. Hawes.

CANDIDATE SELECTED

(Associated Press.)
Dresden, Ont., Jan. 6.—The Conservatives of East Kent yesterday nominated Mayor Wilson, of Ridgeway, as candidate for the House of Commons.

RUSSIA WILL NOT ABANDON RIGHTS

NO THREATS CAN MAKE HER ALTER POSITION

Views of Admiral Alexieff's Paper—Japanese Explanation of Events Leading to Crisis.

(Associated Press.)
Tokyo, Jan. 6.—A high Japanese authority today made the following explanation of the status of the Far Eastern situation:
"The statement that Russia has made concessions to Japan is not exact. Russia in October made certain concessions which were accepted by Japan, subsequently withdrew them and assumed an attitude which left the Japanese little hope of reaching a satisfactory agreement."
The Japanese government, recognizing Russia's special interests in Manchuria, and wishing to regulate, once for all, all questions in the Far East, made the following proposals:
Russia and Japan should mutually respect the independence and territorial integrity of China and Korea; to recognize reciprocally, Japan, the special interest of Russia in Manchuria, Russia, the special interests of Japan in Korea; to engage mutually not to infringe, Japan, the commercial rights and immunities acquired by Russia in Korea, Russia, the commercial rights and immunities acquired by Japan in Manchuria.
Russia declined the Japanese proposals and submitted a counter proposal, providing for the creation of a neutral zone extending from the China-Korean frontier to Wang Yang on the east, and to Ping Yang on the west. This zone comprised almost a third of Korea.
This took from Japan all guarantee of the protection of her rights in Manchuria, and sequestered a considerable part of Korea, where, without contradiction, Japan's interests preponderate and within the legitimate sphere of Japan.
The proposal exasperated Japanese public opinion. The Japanese could not accept the proposal for these reasons:
One—The definite occupation by Russia of Manchuria would be a permanent menace to the independence of Korea, which Japan must prevent at any price, for Korea is an advance post of Japan's line of defence and the safety of Korea is a condition sine qua non of her own security.
Two—Japan has, as other powers, rights and immunities in Manchuria by virtue of treaties with China. These rights and immunities cannot be left to the mercy of Russia. The refusal of Russia to examine the Manchurian question denied on her part the intention not to observe the rights of all nations in that region. Most evident among other proofs of this intention on the part of Russia were the occupation of Ang Tung Tieng and the re-occupation of Mukden.
Everyone knows that by the new treaties concluded by the United States and Japan with China one city and two ports were to be opened to the commerce of the world. Ang Tung Tieng and Mukden were the two ports chosen. By the occupation of these ports Russia prevented China from fulfilling the obligation of her treaties.
In Korea Russia has closed the Yalu river to foreign commerce. Japan asked Russia simultaneously with the United States and Great Britain to open this region to international commerce. In occupying Yung Wang Poo (Yung Gam Poo) the only port in Northern Korea, Russia paralyzed this project.
Japan then had reason to fear that letting Russia alone would result in closing the Yellow Sea and the interior of Manchuria to international commerce. In struggling with all her forces against the pretensions of Russia in the Far East, Japan was not only for herself but for all nations. Japan does not ignore the dangers and risks of an armed conflict with Russia, and does not embark upon it with light heart or as a facile expedient. It will be less a struggle between races than a plan for the preservation of international commerce.
The Russian Reply.
Tokyo, Jan. 6.—It is believed here that the Russian response has been handed to the government. The nature of the reply remains undisclosed. Minister of Foreign Affairs Mara called today upon Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister to Japan, and later visited Katsunara, when an extended conference was held. There is every indication now that further negotiations will take place, although it is expected that Japan will refuse to transfer the discussion of affairs to St. Petersburg, as is proposed.
Probably Official.

FIRE IN IOWA CAPITAL

Height of Building and Elevated Site Prevented Effective Work By Department.

(Associated Press.)
Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 6.—Fire gutted the northwest wing of the state capitol yesterday, causing an approximate loss of half a million dollars. The chamber of the house of representatives is a charred mass of debris, and cannot be repaired in time for the approaching session of the legislature.
The fire department was unable to fight the flames effectively on account of the height of the building and elevation of the capitol site. The only thing possible was to cut off the progress of the flames.
The Iowa capitol was erected at a cost of \$2,000,000, and was supposed to have been fireproof. The state of Iowa carries no insurance on any of its property. The loss on the building therefore is total.

FATAL FIRE AT LONDON

Chief of Brigade Killed and Several Firemen Injured By Falling Wall.

(Associated Press.)
London, Ont., Jan. 6.—Chief Roe, of the fire brigade, was killed, and firemen Swainch, Secomb, Robinson and Robertson badly injured by a falling wall caused by a fire which destroyed Stirling-Bros' boot and shoe warehouse, York street, at an early hour this morning. The body of Chief Roe was almost unrecognizable when recovered from the debris. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

LADYSMITH NEWS

(Special to the Times.)
Ladysmith, Jan. 6.—T. Erb, of Chemainus, has recently brought into Ladysmith some exceedingly fine specimens of peacock copper. The samples, which were taken from a claim situated about three miles from Ladysmith, were greatly admired by those who understood their worth. Good authorities predict a splendid future for the property.
About 100 tons of ore were brought from the Van Ande mines for the Tye smelter on Monday.

MUNICIPAL NOTES

First Meeting of the Campaign Will Be Held To-night—Organization Gathering.
In the article dealing with the approaching municipal elections appearing in yesterday's Times, the names of two prominent candidates were unfortunately omitted. They are Wm. Humphrey and Wm. Wilson, both veterans in municipal government, having served on the council board for several terms. Mr. Humphrey is out for Central Ward and Mr. Wilson for South Ward.
Last night an organization meeting of Ald. Bernard's supporters was held at the candidate's committee rooms, on the corner of Bastion and Government streets. The meeting was a very representative one, and exceedingly gratifying to the candidate and his friends. Ward committees were appointed and will at once get down to work. They will meet during the week as follows: South Ward, on Thursday and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock; Centre Ward, on Thursday at 8 p.m. A meeting of the general committee will be held on Saturday at 8 p.m. at the same place.
The first public meeting of the campaign will be held at Oakland's fire hall to-night.
In Labor hall to-night a mass meeting of the friends of Wm. McKay, candidate for school trustee, will be held, when among those who will speak are D. J. O'Donoghue, the Dominion fair-wage officer.

LADY BURTON DEAD

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, Jan. 6.—Lady Burton, wife of the late Chief Justice Burton, is dead, aged 83 years.

GOVERNMENT MAY APPOINT EXPERT

TO INQUIRE INTO THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

The Vancouver Board of Trade Requests Commission to Report Upon the Assessment Act.

With respect to the financial position of the country, the government is understood to be contemplating the appointment of an expert to go fully into the situation. Whether this will be done is yet a matter of conjecture, the government not having decided that this is essential. In this connection the new Assessment Act may be gone into, but this is doubtful, as the working of it is not yet understood.
A special dispatch to the Times from Vancouver says: "There was a lively session of the Vancouver Board of Trade last night with reference to the Assessment Act, and for the request of the Victoria board that the local board take action. After a long discussion it was moved and carried that the communication of the Victoria board be received, and that this board take action thereon. It was also moved and carried that the Vancouver board requests the government to appoint a commission to inquire into the question of assessment, with as little delay as possible, and that a copy of this section be sent to members of the House." A special meeting to discuss the act will be held on January 14th.
The members of the executive of the Provincial Mining Association, who waited upon Premier McBride, as minister of mines, feel assured that the new measure which the government will introduce dealing with the mining laws, that the wishes and recommendations of the association will be very favorably considered. They have strong hopes for believing that the Premier, who is in charge of that department, will shape the amendments along the lines suggested by the Mining Association. In this respect it is likely that provision will be made for the granting of a better title for placer claims.
Regarding the question of taxation, the Premier showed a disposition to be ready to meet the views of the mining men, and is willing to substitute the 2 per cent. tax with a more equitable one.

STILL MISSING

Search For David Ferguson, Who Disappeared on December 19th, Unsuccessful.
No clue has yet been discovered as to the whereabouts of David Ferguson, who was reported missing on Wednesday, December 19th. Nothing has been heard since the offer of \$1,000 reward for information which would lead to finding the missing man dead or alive, and the case promises to develop into the most mysterious the local police have handled for years. During the past few days everything possible has been done to ascertain his whereabouts, but without success. He has, as far as can be ascertained, completely disappeared, dropped out of sight, without leaving any clue whatever.
Mr. Ferguson arrived in the city from the interior somewhere about the end of November last, and made his headquarters at the Dominion hotel. Here he lived quietly awaiting the return of his brother, Andrew Ferguson, from the up-country. The last time he was seen was at breakfast on the morning of the 19th. On the two previous days he was out walking with guests of the hotel, on one occasion going as far as Beacon Hill park. He was not missed until a couple of days after the time mentioned. His absence was ascertained when the hotel became crowded and a room was required. It was then found that Mr. Ferguson's room had been unoccupied for several days. This was reported to the clerk, but little was thought of it at the time. Mr. Ferguson had on a previous occasion left without notice on a visit to relatives at Saanich.
No anxiety was felt over Mr. Ferguson's welfare until one of his relatives residing at Saanich called at the hotel, and it was ascertained that he had not gone there. A few days later Andrew Ferguson returned from the interior, expecting to meet his brother Peter, as arranged, and was informed of his disappearance. Some fruitless inquiry was made and the police were finally informed.
Relatives of the missing man have no idea what has become of him. Whether alive or dead is a matter for conjecture. It is generally admitted as unlikely that he would leave on a trip of any length without telling anyone of his intention. The supposition therefore is that he has been the victim of some unfortunate accident which will no doubt be revealed in the course of time.
Mr. Ferguson was interested with his brothers in mining at Ferguson, B. C., a camp named after the family. He was also engaged for a short time in the development of claims at Alberca. His father and mother reside at Saanich, and a brother, Andrew Ferguson, lives on Quebec street, James Bay.

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THE BEST PLACE. To have your prescriptions dispensed at Campbell's Prescription Store, COR. FORT AND DOUGLAS STS.

Did You Say You Are Afraid of the Children Upsetting the Lamps? B. G. ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO., LD., 35 YATES STREET.

JAPANESE TROOPS READY TO LAND. RUSSIA REARRANGING POSITION OF FORCES.

Japan is Opposed to Establishment of Neutral Zone in Korea—The Situation at Seoul.

Paris, Jan. 5.—It developed to-day that the greatest difference between Russia and Japan arises from the proposal made by Russia that a neutral zone shall be established, extending from Ping Yang, in Korea, on the south, to the Russian frontier on the north.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—A semi-official dispatch to a news agency from Vladivostok and private information from Moscow, state that, owing to disturbances between the Koreans and the Japanese in Korea, the Russian Second Rifle Regiment, at its full strength, has been dispatched to Korea in order to protect Russian interests.

Seoul, Korea, Jan. 5.—A detachment of 350 marines from the United States steamer Vicksburg, now lying at Chemulpo, arrived here yesterday, a guard for the American Legation. Another body of 70 marines will arrive tomorrow. The United States transport Scowfire is also at Chemulpo, where Russia, Japan and Great Britain have each one man-of-war.

Paris, Jan. 6.—The Chefoo correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald cables as follows: "Eight thousand Japanese troops are ready to land at Mosampoh, and their landing will probably mean war. A regiment of Cosacks is expected at Port Arthur. Reserves are being moved from Blagoveshensk, the capital of the Amur province in Eastern Siberia, to Manchuria. The position of the troops in Manchuria is being rearranged, but their location is kept a secret."

St. Petersburg correspondent of the same paper says that, should the Japanese occupy Mosampoh, it would result in bringing matters to a crisis. Admiral Alexoff, the Russian commander in the Far East, having full power to act in the case of such provocation.

A NEW ZION. Report That John A. Dowle May Settle on Coast of Texas. San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 5.—John A. Dowle, the founder of Zion, is not going to Australia on this trip. He has arranged here to investigate a tract of land on the Texas coast, as a site for a new "Eternal City." Dowle's plan is to enter upon extensive stock farming and factory work. He has an option on the island, which embraces thirty thousand acres. Dowle admits that he may bring his entire following to the new settlement.

BREWERS' WEALTH. Estate of the Late Capt. F. Pabst Said to Be Worth Ten Million Dollars. Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 5.—Captain Frederick Pabst, whose funeral has just been held, on Christmas made gifts to every member of his family, said by his close friends, to aggregate \$5,000,000. Capt. Pabst fully realized that his end was near. His wife and to each of his four children he handed stock certificates and deeds representing, it is believed, something over \$1,000,000 in each case. The entire wealth of Capt. Pabst is estimated at \$10,000,000.

INQUEST OPENS TO-DAY. Inquiry to Determine Facts Regarding the Chicago Fire. Chicago, Jan. 5.—The special committee composed of the members of the city council appointed last night to investigate the condition of the local theatres and to report upon what alterations are necessary to conform with the building ordinances, held its first meeting to-day. Am. John, chairman of the committee, said to-night: "We will first revise the building ordinances, then we will visit the theatres and decide what alterations will be necessary to conform to the new laws. Of course the owners of theatres will do nothing until they know just exactly what the amended ordinances will demand of them, but they will be obliged to reconstruct their theatres to conform to the ordinances we are going to prepare."

Late this afternoon the attorneys of the fire department caused the arrest of four employees of the Fuller Construction Company, David Jones, a masonry foreman, and Angus McKay, Otto Rausch and John Kingston, ironworkers. It has been charged that Jones and his men broke the skylights of the theatre after the fire in order to destroy possible evidence. It developed to-day, after the arrest of Jones and his men, that the skylights were broken by scoundrels and tied with wire to prevent their opening, and that neither of them had been opened since the theatre was built.

Jones was asked why he went to the roof of the theatre, and replied that he had been told that the north wall had been cracked in the fire, and went to see if it was true. He declared he had loosened the skylights because he feared they might fall through and injure some body on the stage.

"Why did you take the ironworkers with you to inspect a brick wall?" asked Attorney Patterson, of the fire department. Jones confessed that he had practically answered the men with him through curiosity. He admitted that the ironworkers helped him to open the skylights and worked with him about the roof for half an hour. Although he said he went to the theatre of his own accord and without orders from the Fuller Construction Company, he admitted he should have been on another building, where he had been working at a time he had left that building and had gone to the theatre.

When asked how he was going to explain to the company that employed him why he had taken three of their employees and kept them with him for practically an hour in order to satisfy his curiosity, Jones could make no satisfactory reply. Pressed for an answer, Jones said that the men were not employees of the Fuller Company, but men he had met on the street. He denied that he had used any tools in forcing open the skylights, but this statement was denied by George Mueller, who witnessed the breaking open of the skylights from an adjoining building overlooking the theatre. He testified that the skylights were not open during the fire.

Coroner Traeger said to-night that he was almost ready for the inquest, which was commenced Thursday morning. "I wish it understood," he said, "that this is not a trial, but simply an inquiry into the facts of the fire as far as we can. The coroner's jury will not attempt to fix blame for the fire upon anybody, nor will it recommend the punishment of anybody. It will simply report on the facts as it has been able to gather them, and the rest of the work will be left for the state's attorney if he found there is anything for him to do."

Life insurance companies object to the statements of the coroner that no verdict will be rendered after the inquest, claiming that large sums of money in insurance on the lives of those who perished in the theatre fire depend for their payment on the verdict of the coroner's jury. The first damage suit against the proprietors of the Iniquitous theatre and the city of Chicago growing out of the late fire has been filed by Ivy Owens as administrator of the estates of Miss Amy Owens and Mrs. Francis E. Owens, her mother. The action is for the recovery of \$100,000 damages and is directed against the Iniquitous Theatre Company, the city of Chicago and William B. Davis and Harry J. Powers, managers of the theatre. Miss Owens was a teacher in the Curtis public school.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The census bureau to-day issued a cotton report showing that there had been a gain up to and including Saturday, December 12th, 6,848,747 commercial bales, compared with 9,311,835 bales up to and including December 13th of last year. The census found that 29,971 ginneries had been operated this season against 30,194 last year.

HOW STODDART MADE RICHARD MANSFIELD. Former's Lack of Confidence Gave the Cue of the Stage as Opening in "Parisian Romance." Victoria, Jan. 5.—Richard Mansfield's first great success in theatrical work and the cause of it, was the "Parisian Romance." "Do you know," said Mr. Stoddart, "that it was my dread of myself which made Mr. Mansfield?" "It was when I was with my dear friend Palmer in his stock company that he decided to put on 'A Parisian Romance.' He saw the play in Paris and bought it. We had just finished 'Les Hautains' in which I had been provided with a strong part, and we were all anxious to know how this new play was to be cast. When the parts were given out no one was cast for Baron Cherevill, which made us wonder. One day Mr. Palmer called me into his office. 'I have just had a letter from Paris,' he said, 'impressing upon me the fact that the play is not the big figure in the play, it is really the most important one, the pivotal part, so to speak. It is up to you to put up an evening's worth of work and give me the Baron. I want you to play it.' Of course, I was delighted and accepted it with gratitude. All my companions, too, were pleased that I had it. At that time Mr. Mansfield was an actor, a very pleasing one, too. But he had never played in the legit line. He came to Mr. Palmer and asked him for a place in the company, and Mr. Palmer gave him a minor one, where he was paid fifty dollars a week. 'I had the part but a day or so when my district began to take hold of me. With all my experience, I grew afraid of myself. I had never played a part in modern dress. I couldn't act, I couldn't sleep. I was utterly wretched. I had been that way in a measure with every new part, but this was my most distressing experience. Finally my dear wife, she said, 'Give the matter into her own hands. I wouldn't have you keep on suffering this way for all the theatres in the world.' 'So I took the part to Mr. Palmer, and said I couldn't play it. 'But you must Stoddart, you must,' he replied. 'There is no one else to put it. That young Mansfield has come to me asking to be considered for the part. I don't wish to play it, but I wouldn't think of it for a moment. He hasn't had a bit of experience on the stage. Take it back, get over your nervousness, and you will be all right.' 'So I tried again, but only got more wretched. I knew that Mr. Palmer would not let me do a second time, so my wife had to do it for me. She got an adapter of plays was Mr. Casanova, and he stood very close to Mr. Palmer. 'Give the part to Cas,' she said. I did, and he induced Mr. Palmer to try Mr. Mansfield. 'You know what a hit he made in it, but probably you never heard this little bit of inside history, which shows how Mr. Mansfield began to act in the Mansfield way. Mr. Palmer was a generous manager. He staged everything with taste, and no thought of cost. Still, he was prudent. He wanted things looked after. In the dining room scene he had provided expensive cut glass and china, and the table, while it purported to be one of elegance, what it really was, was a table of glass and iron. Mr. Mansfield fell in such a way as to break about half the glass and china. When Mr. Palmer had instructed the destruction the next day he instructed the table to get cheap—cheap crystal and china. Mr. Mansfield said it just before the act began, and asked about it. He was told that it was Mr. Palmer's orders. 'My compliments to Mr. Palmer,' he said, 'and tell him that unless the stage is set exactly as it was on the opening night, I will not go on tomorrow night.' 'And this was his second night in the company,' said Mr. Stoddart with a merry twinkle in his eye. 'And so the talk ran on, covering the life of the stage from old Farren of the Haymarket, who had seen Edmund Keene, and preferred the gruesome burlesque actor, in his line of fifty-six, to that of Keen himself, to the actors of to-day. His comment was always kindly; his view was always optimistic. Life was good; acting was good. It was an unconscious lesson in hopefulness."

Manchurian Brigands. The Sin Wan Pao is informed by its Pekin correspondent that the brigands of Manchuria who have been enlisted in the services of the Russians are faring exceedingly well with them. The Russians have granted them medals and are paying them handsome compensations, each brigand receiving about twenty roubles per month. Russia's first intention was by no means so generous, in fact they intended to exterminate them, but they found that it was not an easy task. They often met the brigands in lonely spots where they deprived them of their arms and other provisions, but as soon as a large body of Russian soldiers appeared on the scene, the brigands disappeared among the woods and mountains which they knew so well. Therefore the Russians thought it would be wiser to ask them to surrender and enlist them into their services. At the same time they would not allow the Chinese to exterminate those brigands who had not joined them, in fact they preferred to have some left to cause disorders in the eastern provinces, so that they might have a pretext for continuing their occupation of Manchuria. On the other hand the Russians treat the Chinese officials with scant courtesy. Many of the Manchou officials returning to Pekin had their women folks molested by the Russian soldiers.

THE SCHOOL FIRE. Children Marched Out of Building in Two Minutes. Toronto, Jan. 5.—The fire which destroyed Hamilton street public school broke out just when the work of the day had been started. Thanks to the efficiency of the fire drill the children, 500 or 600 in number, were all got safely out of the building without injury in two minutes. Fire started in the furnace room, probably due to overheating on account of cold weather. The loss is placed at \$25,000. Most of the children lost their winter clothing. The school officials say that but for the splendid manner in which the fire drill was carried out there would have been a loss of life.

East Kent Conservatives nominated ex-Mayor B. Wilson, of Ridgeway. More Candidates. Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—Marquette Liberals nominated S. L. Head, of Rapid City. West Huron Liberals nominated R. Holmes, M. P., for the Commons. North Grey Conservatives nominated T. I. Thompson, M. P., of Qu'Appelle Liberals, Len Thompson, of Wolseley. North Oxford Vacancy. Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 5.—Announcement was made to-day that E. W. Nesbit would be a candidate for North Oxford vacancy in the Ontario House caused by the late Andrew Pattullo's death.

AN IMPERIAL NUMBER. The present interest in Imperial matters has apparently justified the Canadian magazine people in making their January issue especially Imperial, with an emblematic cover. The Imperial articles are three in number. The Hon. J. W. Longley reviews the whole movement and distinguishes Imperialism from Chamberlainism. "J. M. McCreary, K. C., gives a summary of the arguments for protection advanced by Professor Ashley in his book on 'The Tariff Problem.' Prof. Ashley, who was once on the staff of Toronto University, is said to be the economic authority upon whom Mr. Chamberlain relies. "Mr. Gladstone and Imperialism" is the title of a defence of that distinguished statesman by Mr. Herman W. Marcus, editor of the British Empire Review. Among the other articles are "Britain as a Canadian Seen," by W. A. R. Kay, with some excellent illustrations; "Sir Henry Irving and Dante," by J. E. Webber, with two photographs; and "An Aquatic Reminiscence," by George Stewart, D. C. L., with a photograph of the famous "Four" that won the championship at Paris in 1897. A notable feature of the issue is the first installment of A. G. Bradley's "Fight for North America," the new serial dealing with the events between 1750 and 1763. The stories are by E. P. Medley, R. D. Rudolf, Hopkins J. Moorhouse, Grace Channell, Duncan Campbell Scott, and Mary Stewart, Durie, As

DISSOLVE PARTNERSHIP. Some Changes Which Will Take Place in Firm of Harris, Gates & Co. New York, Jan. 5.—A Herald special from Chicago says: "The biggest shock and grain house in the country, Harris, Gates & Co., will dissolve partnership on March 1st. The senior partner, John F. Harris, will retire from business and Samuel C. Scott, who has been the active partner in Chicago and of the business, will also leave the firm. Of three special partners who had each \$250,000 in the firm, John Dupe retires. It is expected that Charles G. Gates will organize a new firm, and it is likely that John W. Gates and John Lambert will be special partners. It is also probable that Orsen Wells will be in the new partnership."

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DR. THORN IS STILL ON STAND
CROSS-EXAMINATION HAS BEEN PROLONGED

He Was to Have Been Witness For Plaintiff in Early Stage of the Case.

Upon resuming the Hopper vs. Dunsmuir case yesterday afternoon, Dr. Thorn's examination was continued by E. P. Davis, K. C. Witness saw no facial change in Alexander Dunsmuir during his acquaintanceship with him. There was nothing peculiar about his speech, except when he was intoxicated. Alexander Dunsmuir had not Bright's disease during the time he attended him. Witness thought that Alexander Dunsmuir refrained from attending the Union club because Mrs. Wallace wished him to do so.

Witness did not pretend to be an expert on alcoholic dementia, but he felt competent to diagnose a case of it. Alexander Dunsmuir never, to his knowledge, had this disease. Alexander Dunsmuir always during his illness had a handkerchief about his head, but witness did not know for what purpose. Witness prescribed an ice bag for his head during one of his attacks. Alexander Dunsmuir was opposed to it and afterwards discarded its use. In his relations with Alexander Dunsmuir he never found anything other than ordinary in his memory. There had been no impairment in his mental functions during the time witness knew him. He never had delirium tremens during the time witness attended him.

Witness saw Mrs. Dunsmuir after Alexander's death. She came to his office on two occasions, apparently to consult about the business. She said James Dunsmuir was willing to allow her \$25,000 in settlement of her claim. Witness advised her to take this, giving as his reason that she was not in a physical condition to contest the matter. After the settlement Mrs. Dunsmuir appeared very happy. Her mental condition did not seem to be impaired at that time. She was in a cheerful mood.

Alexander Dunsmuir was a man of unusual recuperative powers. Alexander Dunsmuir told witness about the time of the dissection concerning the San Leandro property that he was willing to give Mrs. Wallace the property and give her a better home than she expected, but he wanted this property to go back to James Dunsmuir or the children of James Dunsmuir upon his death. He said he did not want Edna to have a dollar of his. Witness refused then to give any advice as Alexander Dunsmuir asked for.

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Mr. Davis objected that this was not according to the evidence of Dr. Thorn. He protested against this treatment of a witness like Dr. Thorn, and wished His Lordship to intervene to prevent the continuance of it.

His Lordship hoped that Mr. Bodwell would keep within the rule for cross-examination. Mr. Bodwell said he asked no favors in this case. He only wanted his rights and he proposed to have them. His understanding of the trend of the doctor's evidence was as stated in the question. If he were wrong he was ready to be corrected.

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Witness thought that it would be safe to say that the time interval between the spree was a month. He was called in sometimes for the treatment of colds and trivial things. Against his advice Alexander Dunsmuir would not go out and take exercise. It became his general habit while at the Grand hotel to stay in bed until 11 or 12 o'clock. The visits of witness were generally made in the forenoon. Over the two years he probably was called as often as once a month during the night time. Sometimes he was drunk on these occasions. Witness never drank with Alexander Dunsmuir. The latter knowing the opposition which witness expressed to his drinking liquor, acted as though he was ashamed of witness seeing him. He had seen Alexander Dunsmuir quite sober. He recalled one period of several days at the time James Dunsmuir had visited him.

About June, 1890, he visited him at San Leandro and he was sober. Again on the hunting expedition in October, 1898, Alexander Dunsmuir was sober. There were not isolated occasions, for he had seen him sober at other times.

Mr. Bodwell asked concerning the cutting of witness before he became his medical attendant. Witness said it never concerned him. "No gentleman would insult me, and no other could." Mr. Bodwell wished to know in what class he put Alexander Dunsmuir. Witness said he never bothered about it. Later, Alexander Dunsmuir said he regarded witness as one of his best and most intimate friends. He was employed to be Mr. Dunsmuir's physician and not to become his friend, and if witness became his friend it was altogether on the part of Alexander Dunsmuir and not that of witness.

ered from the "shingles" and got in a normal condition for him. At half past four Mr. Bodwell announced the time for adjournment. Dr. Thorn said he wished, if it were possible, to have his examination finished that evening, so that he could leave on the boat the next day. Mr. Bodwell said it would perhaps take him ten minutes to complete the cross-examination. He had other business to attend to, however, and saw no reason why he should be asked to inconvenience himself. He proposed to leave the cross-examination, therefore, until the morning. It was pointed out that this would not interfere in the least with witness getting away by boat the next day. The court then adjourned until this morning. (Continued on page 8.)

OUTING FOR JANUARY.

With Japan and Russia on the verge of war over Korea, perhaps the article to which most people will turn at once in the January issue of Outing is "Walking Through Korea," which is the story of a tramp over the country with pen pictures of the people and some excellent photographs that bring them and the country pretty clear to the reader. But, perhaps the most fascinating article in this number is "Beating the Wind on a Toboggan," which tells of the remarkable feats accomplished at Davos, together with a dozen photographs taken especially for Outing and illustrating the daring ruses that are taken down the mountain side. Mr. Dunn, in this number, begins the first of his articles on the recent attempt to ascend Mt. McKinley. This is quite the most extraordinary series of papers to have been published, for besides the thrilling experiences in exploration which are usually not set down in print by explorers, Mr. Dunn's article is a human document frankly recorded. "The Silent Places," the best serial Stewart Edward White has ever written, enters upon its most thrilling part in this number and other fiction is "Dispersion of Bilkington," an amusing and exciting incident of the American occupation of Fekin.

Speaking of human documents, the article on "The Irishman and His Home," which Vance Thompson went to Dublin to prepare for Outing, is of absorbing interest with its living photographs. Living photographs may be said to be a striking note of this January number, for it is full of them from first to last. Some practical papers that will appeal to different kinds of outdoor people are the discussion of "High Power in Automobiles," by the famous chauffeur Pournier; "How to Make Plain Sticks and Bob Sleds"; the comparison of the "Show Dogs of America and England," by the famous English fancier Marples; ranking of the football teams, and of golf and lawn tennis players; and a discussion as to the eliminating of "Breeding Classes at the New York Horse Show." An important contribution to this number is "The Story of the Shot Gun," prepared by one of the Outing staff who visited the different factories for the purpose of telling how the gun is made from first to the last period in its manufacture. Two very readable papers are on "Southern Bayous," interesting alike to sportsman and nature lover and traveller, and "Fishing and Fishermen in Southern California," towards which at this time of the year many eyes are directed.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 6-5 a. m.—Weather conditions have not much changed during the past 24 hours; an important area of high barometric pressure continues to be central in Oregon; good rains have fallen along the Straits and on the Lower Mainland, and snow at Kamloops and Barkerville. Temperatures are moderate, and strong southerly winds prevail on the American coast from the Columbia river to the Straits of Fuca. In the Northwest a storm area is centred at Edmonton; the weather is chiefly cloudy, cold in Manitoba, but with higher temperatures in the Territories.

Forecasts. For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Thursday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate or fresh winds, chiefly cloudy, with occasional rain, and not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, chiefly cloudy, with occasional rain, and stationary or higher temperature.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.90; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 10 miles S. E.; rain, .07; weather, rain. New Westminster—Barometer, 30.88; temperature, 38; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .54; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 30; minimum, 30; wind, 18 miles S. E.; snow, .20; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.66; temperature, 30; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles S. E.; snow, .50; weather, snow.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S. E. weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.40; temperature, 32; minimum, 26; wind, 8 miles S. W.; snow, trace; weather, fair.

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THE DOGS OF WAR.

Japan and Russia are slowly but surely closing upon each other. The world affects to regard the ominous preparations with anxiety and deep concern. If it were to drop conventional phrases and speak its real sentiments, we fear there would be found in every national heart not actually or prospectively interested a feeling of deep curiosity to observe the effect upon poor human atoms of the missiles projected by modern deadly engines of war and to note the manner in which the new aspirant for national fellowship would comport herself in a conflict with one of the greatest, most aggressive and most unscrupulous of world powers. The sympathies of Christendom are undoubtedly with Japan. The sympathy is strong enough to evoke prayers for her success, but not sufficiently active to intervene between her and a great humiliation. There is a general desire to see Russia's schemes of national aggrandizement checked; to behold the curbing of her ambitions. If Japan can do that her position as a world power will be assured. She is receiving plenty of encouragement to proceed with the enterprise.

Russian statesmen seem determined to establish the kingdom of the Czar upon the shores of the Pacific. The greatest of the oceans, those masters of strategy recognize, will before many years be the broadest avenue of the world's commerce. They believe that now is the time to move if they ever hope to attain an advantageous position upon the world's great chess board. They will scarcely admit a checkmate by Japan. They may manoeuvre in order to secure stronger ground, but they will hardly retreat. The plan of campaign has been too well thought out and is too elaborate to admit of any radical departure from the original draft. Russian statesmen have no objection to procrastination, equivocation or duplicity, but they are strong of purpose and inflexible of will. There is reason to believe that in the present crisis the Japanese will demand stronger evidence of good faith than mere words or meaningless statements. Her statesmen are undergoing the preliminary trial, and they are dealing with people whom they distrust. Her armies and navies may later on be called into action. They will, to all appearances, go forth against the enemy without fear and confident as to the result, and with the major part of the world wishing them success.

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In many respects Mr. Houston's ways in the past were not our ways. His manners (like those of all graduates of the same school) were not patterned upon the advice given by Lord Chesterfield to his son. The atmosphere of the printing office is not calculated to produce graceful diction or polished style.



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Mr. Houston has been described by some as unsmooth in manner and brusque of speech. Above all, he was a sound Tory in politics notwithstanding the fact that he has been read out of the party by men who in point of ability, loyalty to friends, and contempt for meanness and treachery, are not worthy of the honor of blacking his shoes. Houston's politics were not to our liking. His political opinions were not in harmony with the character of the man. Perhaps the knowledge of this fact embittered his disposition. However that may be, the Times has had some rather lively discussions with John, but the recollection of these cannot blind us to some facts: The good in the man largely preponderated over the evil or he would not have held the confidence of the people of Nelson through his whole career; he has accomplished a good work for the province of British Columbia, and many people there are who will be sorry to hear that he is going away.

REFORMS NEEDED.

A correspondent would like to know why Victoria is denied complete self-government in local affairs. He alludes to the appointment of a police commissioner by the government which sits in dignity across what remains of the waters of James Bay. That is one of the matters no fellow can understand. Perhaps if one were to dig deeply into the history of the province some light might fall upon the present anomalous conditions. Reforms are only effected by agitation. The evolution of the state machinery from the simple (when the provincial government kept its skilful guiding hand upon all the levers) to the complex, under which there is an illogical division of power and authority, has been slow. The ancient simplicity must be restored in time by conferring upon organized municipalities complete jurisdiction over matters which concern the ratepayers alone. The city of Victoria in matters of most vital concern to her citizens has but a fractional voice. The police should be absolutely under the control of the direct representatives of the people. The present system cannot be successfully defended, but it will be adhered to as long as the citizens will tolerate it. There is considerable competition for appointment on the board amongst those who have influence with the government. That fact, taken in connection with the further fact that the post is purely honorary, makes the people suspicious. There may be no reason for the disposition to inquire into the reasons for the anxiety in certain circles to serve the city without money and without price. But people will talk. Why should not the gossip and the scandal-monger be silenced by the only means that will be satisfactory—the election by popular vote of the appointment by the

city council of all the commissioners? Election by the ratepayers would be the proper method, of course, but as a step along the road we believe the city would be willing to accept a compromise. The members of a new city council are representative of the people; the present government of British Columbia may be representative of the province as a whole (although we doubt even that) but it is certainly not in touch with the sentiments of the city of Victoria. It is time for a change.

GREEN'S FINE WORK.

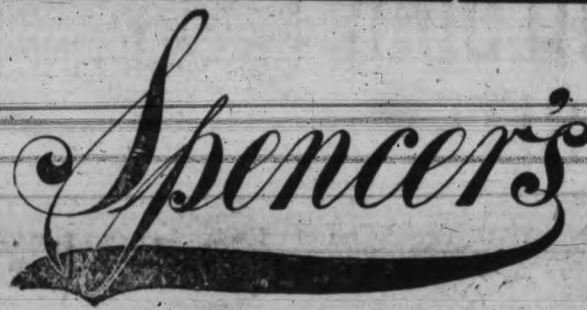
Hon. R. F. Green, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, seems to have curious ideas about his duties as a member of the McBride government. Former commissioners may not have been perfect in their administration, but they made a show of attending to business. Mr. Green is very liberal, not to say latitudinarian, in his conceptions of duty. He is in Kootenay organizing the district for the Dominion elections. No doubt he will charge his traveling expenses to the provincial treasury. We are glad he has been received everywhere with tremendous enthusiasm and "great ovations." The cost of firing up that enthusiasm will also fall upon the provincial taxpayers, and, if the new Assessment Act does not bring in the necessary change, the act can be altered. If the people have entertained the erroneous idea that the object for which the McBride government was called into power was to administer the affairs of the province economically, it is time for them to remove the impression from their minds. Primarily and principally, the aim of McBride seems to be to win the province for Mr. Borden. That is evidently the compact. Green is the Tory organizer, and he will charge the province with the expense. It will take all the money that can be raised in the East from manufacturers and others who desire a special grant to work the provinces which are afflicted with Grit governments. Of course the treasuries of those provinces are devoted exclusively to legitimate purposes. Hence they are in a healthy condition. Borden has shown but poor discrimination in the selection of his tools. The opposition to the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme is not the only point on which the provincial government has shown how utterly lacking it is in discrimination. There has not been within the past four years much doubt that the candidates of the Laurier government would prove invincible in British Columbia. The advent of McBride has assured the Liberals of success.

The Canadian Gazette (London) says: We congratulate the Hon. J. H. Turner. We publish this week a letter from Messrs. Relfe, the publishers of the offending educational textbook to whose Canadian references Mr. Turner made such pointed objection at the last dinner of the Canadian Club. It will be seen that Messrs. Relfe have corrected the misstatements complained of, and undertake that the textbook shall be immediately and thoroughly revised. Mr. Turner deserves the hearty thanks of every Canadian, and we are glad to think that the Canada Club and the Canadian Gazette have assisted in doing Canada this service." Mr. Turner may have done good work in securing the correction of such stupid statements, but he would probably never have learned the facts of his own violation. Miss A. D. Cameron, of Victoria, was the first to call attention to the absurd teachings of the British "geographers."

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

To the Editor:—Now that the civic contest will soon be on, I think it is necessary to draw the public attention to some of the actions of the council, notably to the vote of the council on the matter of the eight hour by-law, which at the last election was decided by a vote of 2,083 to 200, that eight hours should be the standard work day on all corporation works. At the council meeting on January 27th, Ald. Yates

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White Blankets

- At \$1.65, were \$2.50; White Wool and Cotton Mixed Blankets; size 60x80. At \$2.25, were \$3.00; all Wool Blankets; size, 60x80. At \$2.90, were \$3.75; all Wool Blankets; size, 66x72. At \$3.25, were \$4.75, fine Super Wool Blankets; size, 66x72. At \$3.90, were \$5.75, fine Super Wool Blankets; size, 70x80.

Four Great Offerings in Dress Goods

- At 25c., Flaked Tweeds, were 50c. At 50c., Fancy Tweeds, were \$1.00. At 55c., Homespuns, were \$1.25. At 65c., Hopsackings, etc., were \$1.25 and \$1.50 yard.

GOOD DOG.

Newark News. "He's a homely dog," said Mrs. Vraz, "but he has a wonderful pedigree. His mother, his grandmother, his great-grandmother and his great-great-grandmother all lived in Methodist families.

WORKINGMAN.

THE HOUSEKEEPER'S PLAIN. L. M. M. in Toronto Star. Oh, I am so tired of "the daily round, the common task" I hate it so! I am so dead tired of it all! Day in, day out, the same old things. Must needs be done—over and over again. No rest—No let-up— Oh, to get away from this eternal sameness— Oh, to be where things once done Would stay done, perchance forever— Where days are ages long— And there is time to stop and breathe; Time to "let things go" awhile. Without the double task of catching up again. But, alas, we can only "grin and bear" "The life we have or flee to others That we know not of." When over-wear of life's treadmill. "I say, Carleton, do they have very high-proof whiskey out your way?" "Do they? Why, man, they run automobiles with it instead of alcohol."

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City News in Brief.

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—Special meeting are being held every night this week in Central hall, Broad street, at 7.45. Messrs. Rae and Hain will speak on special subjects for Christians, and such as would like to become Christians. All invited.

—Owing to the forthcoming Christmas tree entertainment of the Foresters inter-ferting, the fortnightly dances held in the A. O. U. W. hall will in future be held on Thursdays instead of Fridays, commencing on the 7th inst.

—The Nelson News on January 1st was enlarged by several pages devoted to a comprehensive and carefully prepared review of the mining industry in southern British Columbia. It is based on authentic information, and shows the progress made during the past year.

—Misrepresentations by employees and use of any name freely to obtain trade is being made by other grocers. The discerning public are hereby notified that there is only one Erskine's grocery. The location is corner Johnson and Quadra streets, and the telephone call is No. 100.

—For thirty days we are making a large reduction in the price of overcoats. No reason why you should freeze, so call and see our large stock of fashionable overcoats, purchase one and keep warm. Also reduction in price of suits and pants. Kinmont, The Cash Tailor, 72 Johnson street.

—During the month of December the following is the record for the public library: Books lent, 1,420; to ladies, 671; to gentlemen, 749; highest number lent in one day, 35; average number, 56; new members, 25; ladies, 13; gentlemen, 12; added to library, Year Book of British Columbia, 1903, Naval Battles XIX, Country series, record of experimental farm for 1902, Proceedings and Transactions Royal Society of Canada, maps of British Columbia, Assiniboia, Alberta, Lake Louise, etc.

—While on his way East, Rev. J. F. Viebert called at the Kern organ factory, Woodstock, and completed the purchase of an organ for Calvary church. The instrument is a combination of reeds and auxiliary pipes, manufactured under Mr. Kern's own patents, and is widely used in Eastern churches as a substitute for a pipe organ. Churches using it all praise it enthusiastically. Mr. Viebert saw and heard the organ before placing the order, and he reports that it surpassed his highest expectations. The instrument is already shipped, and should arrive here in the course of two or three weeks, when it will be immediately set up and an opening recital given.

—The James Bay Epworth League held their regular monthly consecration meeting last evening, instead of Monday, the lecture by Rev. Mark Guy Pearce having been held on that evening. There was a large number present. The president of the Christian Endeavor department, Mrs. Reynolds, occupied the chair. Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford Noble, who recently entered the happy state of matrimony, were the recipients of a gift from the league as a token of the esteem in which they are held by the members.

—Miss F. Winkel, who leaves for Chilliwack this evening to be united in the bonds of matrimony next Tuesday, was also the recipient of a handsome present. Mr. Gilbert also was remembered for the very efficient work rendered by him as president of the league and leader of the choir. A singing class has been organized in connection with the league, and will meet every Monday evening. J. Gilbert will act as leader.

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—Mrs. Gus Kayenbergh has written to the police inquiring the whereabouts of Daniel H. MacMaster, of Pictou, Nova Scotia.

—January resolution to be adopted: To buy grocery supplies for cash at rock bottom prices from Erskine's grocery, corner Johnson and Quadra streets.

—W. H. Adams, sporting goods store, beg to inform their friends and customers that they have removed to 104 Government street, opposite B. C. market.

—Don't forget the night of the fortnightly dances held in the A. O. U. W. hall has been changed from Friday to Thursday, commencing Thursday, January 7th.

—The section of the militia regulations dealing with the organization of cadet corps has been amended. These may now be formed in any school and boys of any age up to eighteen may join.

—A meeting of the Ladies' Choral Society will be held next Friday afternoon at the College of Music in the Metropolitan building, under the direction of Frank Watkins. The business will be the election of officers for the ensuing year.

—The Fish and Game Club will meet this evening in the room of the Tourist Association. The final draft of the proposed bill dealing with the better protection of game will come up for discussion. All friends of the movement are asked to attend.

—Annie Rooney, whose death and resurrection have been many times chronicled in the press, has been released from the Steadman insane asylum, to which she was committed owing to mental collapse induced by drink. She vows that she will never touch liquor again.

—During the year the total number of inquests conducted by Coroner Hart was 31, nineteen of which were what may be termed city cases. The verdicts were as follows: Accidental death, 16; natural causes, 6; suicide, 4; found drowned, 3; died according to law, 1; murder, 1.

—D. Sprague and Beaumont Boggs announced their candidatures for school trustees in last evening's Times. Mr. Sprague has long manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the city's educational system, while Mr. Boggs, as school trustee, has rendered the community signal service.

—There was a large attendance at the regular fortnightly social in connection with St. John's church held last evening. The entertainment took place in the church hall, Herald street, and an excellent programme was much appreciated. Refreshments were dispensed during the evening.

—Members of Court Cariboo Lodge, I. O. F., held their regular weekly meeting last evening, there being a large attendance. After the transaction of business refreshments were served and the evening spent pleasantly by all present. The installation of officers will take place at the next meeting. Arrangements are being made for a public entertainment.

—An able seaman named Jones fell into the dry dock from the deck of H. M. S. Flora yesterday and sustained injuries which were at first thought to be serious. He fell a distance of 35 feet onto the hard bottom of the dock, and, strange to relate, never broke a bone. He was taken to the navy hospital for treatment, and to-day is reported to be making satisfactory progress.

—The Socialist party elected the following officers at their meeting in Labor hall last evening: Organizer, W. H. Marcon; assistant organizer, J. M. Cameron; recording secretary, Mrs. C. J. Clayton; corresponding secretary, C. C. Williams; treasurer, J. A. Stow; literary agent, H. Barnett; executive committee, J. C. Walters, Mrs. C. J. Clayton, G. Oliver, A. J. Anson, J. Ray and the organizer and assistant organizer.

—Columbia lodge, C. O. F., met last night at the K. of P. hall. The yearly statements presented were very gratifying. The officers for the year were elected as follows: Chief ranger, F. Wyatt; vice chief ranger, Thos. Evans; chaplain, Alex. Hendry; recording secretary, Alex. Peden; financial secretary, A. E. Haynes; treasurer, G. McCandless; senior woodward, S. Lesueur; junior woodward, T. Lidell; senior beadle, Wm. Foster; junior beadle, Garrett Smith; physician, Dr. E. Hall; court deputy, J. D. McEwen, M. P. P.

—Victoria poultry is well represented at the exhibition now in progress in Seattle. It is estimated that between four and five hundred dollars' worth of poultry from local farms have entered in the show, and will have to compete against fowl from all parts of the coast. Among other Victoria entries are six wyan-dottos, belonging to W. A. Jamieson; nine black minors, belonging to Mr. Blackstock; a number of buff orpingtons belonging to Quick Bros., and five Rhode Island reds, belonging to G. C. Anderson. It is expected that these birds will compare favorably with any others shown in their respective classes. They will have been little more than shipped home when they will be entered for the local exhibition, which opens on the 13th, and continues for four days.

SHIPPING

THE EMPRESS OF JAPAN.

When the R. M. S. Empress of Japan arrived here from the Orient yesterday afternoon there was a company of very expectant passengers on deck. They had anticipated war and the news which the C. P. R. Company always provides upon the arrival of an Empress from the Far East, and which is prepared from the most interesting telegraphic dispatches, was eagerly scanned in the expectation of seeing the announcement of the outbreak of hostilities.

The passengers on the Japan were fewer in number than those who have come previously on ships of the same line for many months. There were neither Japs or Chinese for this port, the list of those on board being as follows: Thirteen saloon, 17 intermediate and 49 steerage. The saloon arrivals were Clyde Arnold, G. Arone, Mark Baggalay, G. E. Burgoyne, Mrs. S. A. Campbell, Col. E. W. Foster, R. S. Freeman, H. Komada, Oscar A. Nessler, Carol Seeley, E. Stovold, John S. Tanner and R. Wrigleyworth.

The Empress brings news of an effort made to float the Manauau, which vessel sank while attempting to enter the harbor of Yermansu, Sakka. A quantity of coal was removed from the forward part of the ship, so as to raise the bow of the steamer. At one time it was hoped to get the vessel afloat, but shortly after the hold began to fill with water, the weight of which eventually broken down the after bulkhead and flooded the engine room, the engineers barely having time to save their lives. The fire were put out and the vessel fell over on her port side, the stern going down in deep water. At the same time it began to blow from the southeast and Capt. Connaught was forced to abandon the ship. Capt. Connaught remains in Mororan in the hopes of being able to save some of the wreckage. The crew, many of whom are very tired, were being cared for by the British vice-consul at Hakodate.

FROM WEST COAST.

After a short, quick run down the West Coast, the steamer Queen City arrived last night. Capt. Blackstad, of the schooner Umbra, returned on the steamer from Ahousaht, where he had gone to make preliminary arrangements for shipping an Indian sealing crew. The natives are now about finished pot-latching, and will be shortly signing for sealing cruises. Mr. Ross, a mining man, another arrival on the Queen City, had been down the coast looking at the Happy John property, Alberti. Among still other arrivals were Messrs. Winger, A. W. Neill, Nelson, Whitall, Corliss, Gagny, Fraser, Grant, Reeve, Watson, Scott, Adams, Soule and Stern, Miss Ellison, Miss Guilla and Rev. Mr. Ellison. News comes by the Queen City of the old schooner Amethyst, which drifted into Barkley Sound over a year ago, having been purchased by the United Commercial Company. She will be used as a lumber packet.

OLIVEBANK'S DETENTION.

Sunday's San Francisco Chronicle says: "After more than a week's detention in quarantine, the British ship Olivebank will probably be released the first of the week. She has discharged the mud ballast brought from Shanghai, and has been thoroughly fumigated since arriving in port ten days ago. Disinfection, as the result of a series of storms encountered on the way across the Pacific. The cost of the Olivebank's repairs are still to be determined, but it is likely that she will be able to eventually reach Royal Roads, her original destination."

MARINE NOTES.

Under instructions from Collector A. R. Milne, the little American schooner Wisluka, which was picked up a derelict in the Straits some months ago and towed to port, will be sold by public auction at noon on Friday the 10th. The sale will take place at the rooms of W. Jones, auctioneer. The Wisluka is a new vessel of about forty tons.

Lover's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is better than other soap powders, as it also acts as a disinfectant.

An increase in the price of Canadian flour is reported to-day, the retail price being affected to the extent of 20 cents a barrel.

Look Den, who is charged with stealing electric light from the B. C. Electric Railway Company, appeared again in the city police court this morning, and his case was remanded until Monday.

A Bible reading on the Twenty-third Psalm is being given by Rev. Mark Guy Pearce this afternoon at the Metropolitan Methodist church. A collection is to be taken up in aid of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Esquimalt. This evening Rev. Mr. Pearce will deliver a lecture at the Metropolitan church on the subject, "Christian Socialism." The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock promptly. In this address the speaker will tell of his experiences in the Western London slums.

A meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association was held last evening at the office of the secretary, corner of Government and Johnson streets. There was a good attendance. Arrangements for the forthcoming annual show to be held in the market hall from Wednesday, January 12th, to the 16th inst., were discussed. A large number of entries are being secured, not only from local fanciers, but from outside points. Some have come from California and many from Seattle and Tacoma. Indications are that Vancouver, Nanaimo and other British Columbia points will be well represented. These and other matters were considered. This year's show promises to be the most successful ever held by the association.

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Misses' Box Calf Laced Boots, regular \$2	now \$1.50
Child's Box Calf Laced Boots	\$1.00, \$1.25
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M. Philippe Buena Varilla, the minister from Panama to the United States and joint signer with Secretary Hay of the Bay-Buena Varilla treaty, will resign his office after the exchange of ratification of the treaty between the Washington and Panama governments.

DR. AGNEW'S CATARRHAL POWDER.
—Rev. W. H. Main, pastor of the Baptist Emanuel church, Buffalo, gives strong testimony for and is a firm believer in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. "After using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I was benefited at once," are his words. It is a wonderful remedy. 50 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—65.

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Silk and Flannel Waists

One hundred and fifty women will have an opportunity to-morrow of saving from \$2.00 to \$7.00 on a Silk or Flannel Waist. During this January Sale we try to make a clean sweep of all broken assortments—even if we lose money in the process. In this way we are gathering into one big bargain lot one hundred and fifty Shirt Waists that are selling to-day at prices ranging from \$3.75 to \$8.75. On Thursday you can have your choice of these for \$1.75.

On Sale Thursday Morning.

Punctual at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning we will place on sale one hundred and fifty Shirt Waists, comprising dainty creations in Silk, Satin, French Flannel, Alpaca, Mercerized Satin and Cashmere, in all colors, including black, in richly trimmed, medium and plain styles, broken lots and sizes from 32 to 44 inch bust, selling to-day at \$3.75 to \$8.75, and a few at \$10.00. Your choice on Thursday.

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The municipal elections are rapidly approaching, and one of the first flying leaves indicating the fun at hand has been filed with City Clerk McLaughlin. It was the nomination paper of Robert Garnet Tatlow, who desires to become once more a park commissioner.

The wedding took place on Monday morning at the family residence, 1325 Tenth Street, of Miss Elizabeth Smith and Mr. Charles V. Caldwell supported by the groom. After the wedding breakfast the happy couple left on the Princess Beatrice for Victoria on their honeymoon. They will also visit Seattle and other Sound cities before returning home.

While J. P. Turner was out at supper on Sunday evening, between 6:30 and 7 o'clock, some one entered the store at 670 Granville street, pried open the till and took about \$40 in silver and some Straits Settlement coins. A skeleton key was evidently used, as the door was not forced. Oben's store on Granville street was also visited on Sunday night, and a few dollars in change stolen. Entrance was effected by the front door, which was found open in the morning.

The city council on Monday night dealt with several additional amendments to the city charter. Ald. Grant moved that the qualification for park commissioner should be made the same as that for alderman, namely, \$500. Ald. Wood seconded. The motion passed. Ald. McLaughlin then moved that the qualification for license commission should be fixed at \$500. Ald. Grant seconded the motion. Ald. Morton and Macpherson again strongly opposed the inscription of a property qualification. Ald. Macpherson contended that the qualification could be easily evaded. The saloon men could qualify a candidate, while good men would be shut out.

The property qualification had proved a curse and drawback, and in the Old Country, where men of intelligence and standing occupied civic offices, there was no such regulation. A man who had a family had a much greater stake in a place than a man who only possessed property. Ald. Brown dissented from Macpherson's assertion. A family did not constitute a fixture, and they had heard of families leaving a place. He admitted that the clause regarding the property qualification should be more stringent, and said he was not sure whether some now sitting at the council board were properly qualified.

On motion of Ald. Grant and Wilson, the building inspector and chief of the fire department were instructed to examine all theatres and places of amusement in the city and report to the council in regard to their public safety and whether they complied with the law governing such buildings.

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SPORTING ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL THE LEAGUE STANDING.

Only three more games of the city league remain to be played. These will take place within the next month. Although so near the finish it is impossible to tell which team will win out. As the league now stands the Victoria eleven is two points behind the Garrison, and have one match to play with the Columbia team. The latter game will be a struggle well worth seeing. Victoria is determined to win, and, if successful, will have captured the championship. The two points from the game with Columbia would put the city team even with the Garrison, and a victory Victoria secured over the soldiers several Saturdays ago will give the home the lead.

Present standing of the league follows: Played, Won, Dn., Lost, Pts. Garrison 5 3 3 0 9, Victoria 5 2 1 2 7, Columbia 3 0 2 1 2, Y. M. C. A. 4 0 0 4 0

RUGBY FOOTBALL VANCOUVER SURPRISED.

The defeat of the Vancouver team by Victoria on Saturday cannot be accounted for by the Terminal City papers. It is contended that the Vancouver fifteen was comparatively weak, there being five men who were not regular players, and the fifteen was further handicapped by the loss of Dempster, at half back. The Province says:

"Of course the great question is, how did Vancouver, winners a short time ago against Victoria 16 to 0, come to be defeated? There is the unlucky laying off of Dempster in the second half, but how was it Vancouver didn't score in the first half? How was it, too, that the team which could run up 16 and then 19 against Victoria and Nanaimo couldn't score a point? Was Victoria exceptionally strong? Victoria indeed had a fast first team. It was the best team that Victoria has had in the field for years both in back and forward divisions. The forwards were big, strong, husky men, with lots of wind and in splendid condition all round. Fast dribblers, quick on the ball, they several times made things look unprofitable for the Vancouver goal line. Macrae, Chas. Cullin and Grundy were the pick of the pack. The backs, too, were a fast and dangerous lot. For the first time since Mollenue did so much for the Capitals at half back in the first game last season, Victoria has a quick pair of halves. Al Gillespie and H. Bray. Al Gillespie was the one who went to England on the All-Canada team last year, while Bray is a Welsh player at present on an extended visit to friends in Victoria. The two played very well together, and individually as well when called upon. They made about the hardest and Debeck and Dempster have tried to crack this season. Hrp. Gillespie was the mainstay of the Victoria three-quarter line. He put up a strong game in every way. His kicking was splendid. It was in this that his younger brother Ken, especially showed up at full back. Time and again he was called upon to relieve from a difficult position, and every time he did by long, well judged punts. Surer and prettier kicking than that of the Gillespie boys would be hard to find."

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TRAGIC DEATH OF A FORMER VICTORIAN

A. P. Blandy, Mining Engineer, Committed Suicide in Wales While Temporarily Insane.

An Old Country exchange recently received contains an account of the tragic death of A. P. Blandy, who formerly resided in this province for a number of years, and who lived here at one time. The paper says:

"On Friday afternoon the body of a well-dressed young man was discovered on a mountain to the east of Aberdull, in the Vale of Neath, about a mile distant from Geelydy Farm. The cause of death was a bullet wound in the heart, and the bullet, it is said, had been so manipulated while in the cartridge as to make the wound more deadly. In the right hand of the deceased was a six-chambered revolver of the Colt type; of which one of the chambers had been emptied. The other five were still loaded. The unhappy young man had apparently taken his coat off, bared his breast, placed the muzzle of the weapon directly over the heart, and then fired. There were papers in the coat pocket, and from these it was found that the deceased was Mr. Adam Povetz Blandy, a nephew of Mr. Blandy Jenkins, chairman of the Glamorgan county council. Further inquiries made by the police elicited the information that the deceased was 29 years of age, was articled to Mr. T. M. Price, mining engineer, of Neath, and that he lodged with a Mrs. Gooderidge, of Greenfield Villa, London road, Neath. He had been at Neath only six weeks. His duties did not take him near the spot where his body was found. Money amounting to over £3 was found in his pocket. The unfortunate young fellow is a son of the late Mr. A. F. Blandy, of the Warren, Radley road, Abingdon, and much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Blandy and family in their great trouble.

Mr. Howell Cutbertson held the inquest on Monday at the town hall, Neath. Blanche Gwendoline Blandy, of Abingdon, said that deceased was her third brother. He was 29 last August. For eight years he had been in British Columbia as a mining engineer, and he went to the South African war with the Canadian contingent, returning to England in the autumn of last year. When a small boy deceased had a sunstroke, and when fourteen years old he cut his hand open through an accident. Her brother was subject to fits of depression, and would sit alone for hours. He suffered from sleeplessness, and was morbidly sensitive that whatever he did would turn out badly.

"The coroner: I have noticed him myself. He was very reserved, and seemed at times nervous. "Mr. Tom Price, mining engineer, of Neath and Bridgford, said that deceased had been in his office staff since December last. At 5.45 on Thursday evening he left the office, seeming apparently all right; he did not, however, come to the office on Friday, and witness made inquiries. It was not until Friday evening that witness learned an accident had been found on the mountain side.

"John Henry Rees, collier, Tonna, said he found the body on Friday afternoon lying above the Lletty Mawr Farm, against the wall, and face downwards. He immediately sent for the police. He saw the revolver in deceased's right hand, the barrel pointing towards the body. "Police Constable David Davies, stationed at Aberdull, said deceased had in his right hand a six-chambered revolver, one chamber of which had been discharged. He noticed that the noses of the bullets had been cut off. His coat, vest and shirt were open, and there was a shot wound on the left breast. Witness searched the body, and found there £3 10s, 9d., a watch and chain, and a gold ring, which deceased had on the little finger from his mother. There was no sign of a struggle. Deceased's hat was on his head.

"Dr. John Philip Priel, of Aberdull, said there was a punctured wound over the region of the heart. Death must have been instantaneous. "The jury returned a verdict that deceased committed suicide while temporarily insane, and on the motion of the foreman, seconded by Mr. Wm. Mills, a vote of condolence with the bereaved family was passed.

The Frost Paper Company's mill at Norwood, N. Y., has been destroyed by fire, loss, \$25,000.

DONATIONS TO HOME.

List for December Presented at Regular Monthly Meeting of Ladies' Committee.

The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphan's Home held its regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon at the home. There were present Mrs. F. W. McCulloch, presiding, and Mesdames Higgins, Wilson, Shakespeare, Beazide, Hutchison, McGregor, Picard, Toller, McTavish, Sprague and Miss Perrin. Monthly accounts to the amount of \$104.28 were approved of and ordered to be paid to the treasurer.

Mrs. N. Shakespeare and Miss Perrin were appointed as the visiting committee for the ensuing month. The visiting committee for December, Mrs. McTavish and Mrs. Higgins, in their report referred to the happy time spent by the children during the Christmas time. The report says: "During the slight cold spell the furnace was sadly missed until stoves were placed in the halls and screens arranged so as to prevent the hot air from escaping to parts unvisited. Our thanks are due to Dr. Carter for his professional services, so kindly and assiduously rendered; to Mrs. Hutchison, for her annual prayers; to Mr. Hinton, for his kind thought in sending the tree lit by electric light, and to all the numerous friends who, whilst themselves rejoicing, did not forget the Orphan's Home. The outlet of the sewerage is in a very bad state, and requires immediate attention."

Mrs. McCulloch, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hutchison were appointed a special committee for the purpose of expediting if possible the repairs to the heating apparatus.

The matron reported the following donations during the month of December: A friend, per Mr. Jack, Jam, dripping pan and one pair overshoes; Mrs. Sargison, clothing; Mr. Edwin Johnson, "Zouken," one large box of apples; a friend, stockings; Mrs. Kelso, jam and relery; Mrs. Charles Todd, one new trimmed hat, stockings and clothing; Journeyman Barbers' Union, per J. R. Groff, oranges, cake and sandwiches; ministering circle of the King's Daughters, by request of Miss Harvey, "stoneburst," per Miss Shaw, eight box serge suits for girls, nine gingham aprons, five dannel petticoats, five sailor caps; a large doll, Edith Helmecken; Miss S. E. Coker, tea pieces underclothing; Mrs. E. Hobbs, Cadboro Bay road, four bottles strawberry jam; the Children's Friend, \$5; Mrs. Goodacre, apples and two games; Mrs. R. W. Higgins, two boxes Japs; a doll, Miss Pearce; Mr. Humphrey, Cadboro Bay road, per Mrs. P. C. McGregor, one air-tight heating stove; St. Aidan's Sunday school, Cedar Hill, \$5; Mrs. Blyth, one pair girl's shoes; a friend, per Porter & Sons, four bottles jam; Mrs. Shotbolt, two dozen hemstitched handkerchiefs; Mrs. Charles Kent, candy, nuts and cake; Mrs. H. Clay, two dozen bonbons, two dozen candy boxes; Mrs. P. Landsberg, two boxes Japs, nuts, candy, cake, bonbons, toys and Indian curios; Mrs. A. J. Morley, three sacks flour; H. D. Helmecken, paper mache bonbon box, china cups and candy; Mrs. Simpson, candy, cake and nuts; Mrs. West Wilton, cake; Mrs. McKeown, two boxes Japs, two round tins; St. Barnabas Sunday school, Christmas tree, cake, and Japs; Mr. Tolinie, Christmas tree; Miss Bertha Morley, bonbons; Mrs. I. Dinsdale, box Japs; Mrs. McCrimmon, cake and some made candy; a friend, candy; Mrs. Henry Croft, toys; D. Sprague, one sack flour; Johns Bros., toys; Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Fell, two palls strawberry jam; Mrs. Scowcroft, apple and custard jam; Master Lestrem Koolie, three games and picture cards; Mrs. Sargison, toys and candy; Miss Jean Clapham, toys and fancy baskets; Mrs. Wm. Berzide, four embroidered kerchiefs; the Daily News, Nelson, B. C., per F. J. Deane, \$10; Mrs. Andrew Kelly, Barkerville, Cariboo, per Mrs. Brown, Beaco Hill, \$5; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Mr. King, expressage; Mr. Hall, sharpening saws; ladies of the committee, cake; Mr. R. Smith, box fancy biscuits; E. Carrol, six tins canned fruit, candy and Japs; Fell & Co., six boxes Turkish Delight, French bonbons, nuts; F. Carne, candy and nuts; Dr. Mills, one box biscuit, one box Japs; Mrs. G. A. McTavish, home made candy and cake; Mrs. Gehrig, Hillside avenue, candy; Mrs. Kelso, relery; Mrs. Smith, Sunset, ivy and holly; Mrs. Beckwith, ivy and evergreens; Mrs. J. H. Todd, hedges; Mrs. Luscomb, fruit cake; D. Spencer & Sons, one rocking horse, one blackboard, three dozen dolls, toys for all; Miss Marie Blair, five dolls, one tea set and other toys; Miss Fell, one box large picture blocks; Edna and Jessie Jones, two dolls; Mrs. Denny, six

boys' jersey sweaters; from W. H. P., one sack flour, one box apples, twenty pounds sugar, one box Japs, and twelve the Junior C. E. First Presbyterian church, one large scrap album; Waite & Co., mouth organs, mandolinettes and other musical instruments; Mrs. Van Tassel, apples and pears, candy and books; Miss Dorothy McTavish, fancy paper bags for Christmas tree; Mrs. E. Blackwood, Fourth street, two stands, one cradle, and dresses, doll's toilet set, three games; Mrs. George Carter, two cakes; Carter & McCandless, per Mr. Beckwith, toys and Christmas tree ornaments; George J. Cook, Port street, oranges, lemons, toys and candy; Mrs. H. C. Marr, Boomerang hotel, one large packing case of dolls, work boxes, baskets, balls, books and toys for all the children; Mrs. A. R. Milne, two boxes Japs; Mrs. (Rev.) Ewing, Mengies street, Sunday school glass of six little girls and her two little daughters, presented each child with a spoon and the home with twelve tea spoons, six table spoons, three kitchen spoons, and two large pudding dishes; Excelsior Biscuit Co., box fancy biscuits; Mrs. Wm. Templeman, pop corn, candy, box Japs and one box fancy biscuits; Mrs. S. A. Stoddart, box of clothing; Mrs. H. Dallas Helmecken, one box Japs; Miss Dorothy McTavish, one box Japs; Mrs. Barr, Kingston street, book, clothing and toys; Porter & Sons, one large goose, two turkeys; Mr. Erb, roast beef; Mrs. Deany, one large turkey; Mrs. Fairfield, jelly and clothing; Master Norman Dickinson, six games; Mrs. Ed. Dickinson, clothing; Mr. and Mrs. McNeil, one box Japs; Mrs. Munsey, one box Japs, three dozen doughnuts; Jarvis Longhurst, one sack flour; Miss Woods, toys for Gerty; Dr. Lewis Hall, candy and pop corn, two boxes Japs; Cloverdale Farms, twelve pounds fresh pork, one box apples; Mrs. E. N. Andrews, candy and oranges; Mrs. Goodacre, one box Japs; Dixie H. Ross & Co., one pair candy, nuts and oranges; D. R. Ker, \$5; Mrs. Croft, \$10; Mrs. J. H. Todd, \$5; Mrs. G. Bridgford, \$5; Mr. Justice Drake, \$5; Miss Margaret Hayward, \$5; W. Fernie, \$10.



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Municipal Election MEETINGS

Public meetings will be held by the Candidates for the Mayoralty at the following times and places: Piro Hall, Oakland, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 8 o'clock. South Ward School, Friday, Jan. 7, 8 o'clock. North Ward School, Monday, Jan. 11, 8 o'clock. Odd Fellows' Hall, Spring Ridge, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 8 o'clock. All other Candidates are invited to attend. Chair to be taken at 8 o'clock.

THE MAYORALTY. Organization Meeting.

A Meeting of the Supporters of MR. G. H. BARNARD will be held on Tuesday evening, the 5th instant, at 8 o'clock, at the rooms over the Army and Navy Cigar Store, corner of Government and Bastion streets. All supporters of Mr. Barnard are invited to attend.

The Mayoralty

To the Electors of the City of Victoria. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for the office of Mayor for the ensuing year, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence at the coming election.

CHAS. E. REDFERN.

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G. H. BARNARD

School Trustee Electors. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the request of a number of electors, I have decided to be a candidate at the coming election for School Trustee, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

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To the Electors of Victoria. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I shall seek reelection as a School Trustee.

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To the Electors of Central Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

JOHN P. ELDFORD.

To the Electors of Central Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the request of a large number of voters, I have decided to again become a candidate for election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

LAWRENCE GOODACRE.

To the Electors of Central Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

A. STEWART.

To the Electors of Central Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the Central Ward and respectfully request your vote and influence at the coming election.

H. E. LEVY.

NOTICE. Thinking my numerous friends who have kindly offered me their support at the coming municipal elections, I have to announce that owing to private business demanding my attention I will be unable to be a candidate for South Ward.

G. I. MILNE

To the Electors of South Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman for South Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the opening election.

F. W. VINCENT.

To the Electors of South Ward. I beg to announce myself as a candidate for South Ward, and most respectfully request your votes and influence.

W. WILSON.

To the Electors of South Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a number of electors, I announce myself as a candidate for Alderman for the South Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

WM. PROUT.

To the Electors of South Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate at the coming election for the office of Alderman for the ensuing year, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence at the coming election.

JAMES A. DOUGLAS.

To the Electors of South Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

B. S. ODDY.

To the Electors of North Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the request of a representative delegation of the electors, I am a candidate for the Aldermanic Board, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

W. F. FULLERTON.

To the Electors of North Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I beg to offer myself for re-election as one of your representatives on the Aldermanic Board at the forthcoming municipal elections, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

H. M. GRAHAME.

For Alderman. TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of ratepayers I have decided to present myself again this year as a candidate for Alderman for North Ward, and respectfully ask your support and influence.

ROBT. DINSDALE.

To the Electors of North Ward. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman for North Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the coming election.

JOHN KINSMAN

Municipal Notice

Municipal Elections, 1904.

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said electors at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1904, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1904, from 9 a. m. to 7.30 p. m., in the manner following:

For the office of Mayor, in the Court Room of the City Hall aforesaid. For the office of Alderman for North Ward, in Room No. 9, Public Market Building, Cormorant street. For the office of Alderman for the Central Ward, in Room No. 7, Public Market Building, Cormorant street. For the office of Alderman for the South Ward, in Room No. 5, Public Market Building, Cormorant street, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the nomination, registered owner, in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of one thousand dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for, and elected as Alderman of the City of Victoria, shall be such persons as are British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of five hundred dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 2nd day of January, 1904.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Returning Officer.

Municipal Notice

Election of School Trustees.

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said electors at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1904, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing four (4) persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

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

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1904, in the Court Room of the City Hall aforesaid, from 9 a. m. to 7.30 p. m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor, will be entitled to cast his vote for four (4) candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such candidate, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 2nd day of January, 1904.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Returning Officer.

"Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1901." Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said John Tway, who died on the 18th day of December, 1903, are required on or before the 29th day of January, 1904, to file with the undersigned full particulars of their claims. And further take notice that after such date the administrator will proceed to distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claims notice shall not have been received at the time of distribution.

Dated the 28th day of December, 1903.

ARTHUR LEVY, Administrator.

SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location. A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free mining location shall be placed in place, may locate a claim 1,000 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end of the line of the lot or vein, each end on the line of the lot or vein. The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days of local notice in the office of the recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended in advance of \$7.50 per annum, having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre. Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent. Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., including the Yukon Territory, are open to mining claims generally are 100 feet square, \$5, renewable yearly. On the Yukon Territory the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the high water mark, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where stone power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two hundred five miles each for terms of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the issue for each five miles, and shall lease one dredge for each five miles or fraction is sufficient. He shall pay \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent, collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable. The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary being its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease. The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within five years from such date. Rental, \$100 per mile for first year, and \$20 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the line of the general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 200 feet square. Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notes. Entry may be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of the recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate. The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 500 feet each, together on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only. Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent, on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but a free miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by paying a fee of \$2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee. Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner. The boundaries of a claim may be defined by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Hydraulic Mining, Yukon Territory.—Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be leased for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of \$150 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent, on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than \$5,000 must be expended annually. The lease, as to all minerals, quarries and coal, provides for the withdrawal of unprospected land for agricultural or building purposes.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil, paying surface titles, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of \$1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Sept., 1903.

JAMES A. SMART, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN TWAY, LATE OF LAKE DISTRICT, B. C., FARMER. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said John Tway, who died on the 18th day of December, 1903, are required on or before the 29th day of January, 1904, to file with the undersigned full particulars of their claims. And further take notice that after such date the administrator will proceed to distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claims notice shall not have been received at the time of distribution.

Dated the 28th day of December, 1903.

ARTHUR LEVY, Administrator.

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Syrup of Hypophosphites
Generally recognized one of the best
tonics on the market. 100 doses for
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W. JONES,
Dominion Government Auctioneer.
Is instructed by Mr. W. G. Eden, who is
retiring from business, to sell by
AUCTION
On the Premises, No. 125 Fort Street,
Monday, January 11th
At 11 a. m. His
Entire Stock in Trade,
Fixtures, Etc.
Four Ranges, 2 Heaters, Large Coffee
Mill, 8 Woven Wire Springs, Lot Beds,
Chairs, Tables, Chairs, New and Used
Tools of every description, Platform and
Other Scales, Hanging and Other Lamps,
Writing Desk, Copying Machine, Clocks,
Baby Buggy, Gun, Car, New Lounges,
Easy Chairs, Poles, Showers, Spades, Fancy
Goods, etc., too numerous to mention.
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I Am Instructed by
A. R. McEwen, Esq., C.M.G.,
Collector of Customs, Receiver of Wrecks
TO SELL
At My Mart, 58 Broad St., at 12 Noon,
Friday, January 15th, 1904
The Schooner
"Wishka"
Of about 40 tons, found a derelict in the
straits of Juan de Fuca, and now lying moored in
the Upper Harbor, Victoria; also on board,
One Pump and One Cook Stove.
Terms cash.
W. JONES,
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Auction.
Under instructions from the executors of
the late Joshua Davies, I will sell at 100
Chestnut Street,
Friday, January 8th, at 1 p. m.
The Whole of the Valuable
Antique and Modern
FURNITURE
Including some rare pieces brought to this
country by the late J. P. Davies.
Chickering Concert
Grand Piano
ORGAN, ETC.
Reception Chairs, Arm Chairs, Easy
Chairs, Settee, Reclining Chairs, Whatnot
(with glass doors), Inlaid Combination
Desk, Finely Carved, Centre Tables, Square
and Oval Mirrors, Occasional Tables, Rat-
ton Chairs, Hall Chairs, Umbrella Stand,
Excellent Carpet, Persian Rugs,
Bearskin Rug, Velvet Pile Rugs, Damask
Curtains, Card Table, Book Case, Down
Cushions, Good Pictures, Books (including
some good standard works), Ornaments,
China, Jardiniere, Table Covers, Good
Glassware, Cutlery, Brocade, 12-
Foot Mahogany Extension Table, Fire
Iron, Dining Chairs, Dinner and Tea Sets,
Chiffonier, Mahogany and Walnut Chests
of Drawers, Walnut Wardrobe, Iron Bed-
stead, Wire, Hair and Wood Mattresses,
Iron Chair, 2 Hardwood Bedroom Suits,
Cambric, Blankets, Feather Pillows, Fire
Irons, Blinds, Poles, Cooking Range, Cop-
per Boiler, Cooking Utensils, Crockery,
Jadonite, Best Bed, etc.
On view Thursday from 2 to 4 p. m.
W. T. Hardaker, Auctioneer.

In the Full court this morning the
appeal in Traders' Bank vs. Ingram was
dismissed.
—Lieut. Thorpe-Dobble, of H. M. S.
Amphion, has been promoted to the rank
of commander. The young officer is well
known in Victoria, where Mrs. Thorpe-
Dobble formerly resided.
—D. McCrimmon has been awarded
the contract for repairs to the Dawson
hotel building, which is to be thoroughly
renovated and converted into a first class
house. The contract price is in the
neighborhood of \$6,000.
The boxing contest between Thomas
and Freebury at the Philharmonic hall
to-morrow will not take place, Thomas
being unavoidably prevented from ap-
pearing. Robinson, of the Grafton, one
of the most promising lightweights of
the station, however, will box six rounds
with Freebury, and the contest between
Mead and Clemens will be ten rounds
instead of six.
—In Chambers this morning before
Mr. Justice-Martin the majority of the
applications were stood over. In the
Sinclair Provision Co. vs. B. C. Cold
Storage, etc., an order was made to sign
judgment, costs to be on the County
court side. In Ward vs. Walkley,
King & Casey an order was made for
the examination of a judgment debtor on
the filing of an affidavit of the benefit to
be gained. J. H. Lawson, jr., applied
for an order fixing security in regard to
the Tiggs Printing & Publishing Co.
Security was fixed at \$2,000.

INDIRECT ANSWER.
Boreen—"Do you believe that suicide is
a sin?"
Caustic—"Well, in your case I think
it would be permissible."

E. J. WALL.
Illustration of a hand holding a pencil.

DR. THORN IS
STILL ON STAND
(Continued from page 3.)

When the cross-examination of Dr.
Thorn was continued by Mr. Redwell
this morning, witness said that he was a
graduate of the same college as Dr. Mac-
donald. The latter was an alienist at
the very highest reputation, and he was un-
doubtedly an authority of the highest
reputation. Witness did not make very
many visits to Alex. Dunsmuir at the
Frank hotel, for which he did not charge.
During the fishing excursion to the
north of the island, Mr. Dunsmuir did
not sleep at the camp with the rest of
the party on Salmon river. Witness did
not know that there was anything in his
physical condition to preclude this, but
Alex. Dunsmuir preferred to go back to
the vessel to sleep.
With respect to the shooting, it was
the consensus of opinion that Alex.
Dunsmuir did the best shooting. He
could not say whether when they shot at
a mark any shots hit it. Mr. Bryden
went through the target one day he thought,
but Alex. Dunsmuir did not do it.
In conversation Alex. Dunsmuir had
no hesitancy in his speech. He was
rather a quick speaker.
All joined after dinner on the deck of
the vessel during the fishing trip and
smoked and chatted. Witness got an
impression that Alexander wished to
talk with Mr. Bryden on business during
the trip. Mr. Bryden sat beside
Alex. Dunsmuir at the table. Witness
never observed anything of Alex. Dunsmuir
breaking off sentences, and making a
decision and taking up new trains of thought.
Witness remembered Alex. Dunsmuir
hiring canoes from an Indian during that
trip. He remembered it because he
thought that the sum paid was excessive.
Witness could not say that it was
characteristic of Alex. Dunsmuir to make
a show of being reckless with regard to
money, or that he wished to be classified
among the moneyed men of the world.
When Alex. Dunsmuir was going
about ordinarily, witness learned that he
was talking about half a bottle a day.
He would at times begin to take a
bottle a day, which would result in a
speech.
When Mrs. Dunsmuir spoke to witness
about a proposed agreement by which
she was to receive \$25,000 a year and
relinquish all claim on the estate, there
was no mention of a half interest in the
estate.
Witness gave the visits which he made
to Mrs. Alex. Dunsmuir from June,
1900, to June, 1901, when she died. He
attended every month from one to eleven
times, making a total of 40 visits. He
saw her after the settlement of the af-
fairs. Witness did not ask her how it
was settling, feeling that it was probably
settling to what he advised. She
seemed to be satisfied.
In June, 1900, when he examined Mrs.
Dunsmuir, her condition was such that,
according to the medical authorities, she
would not likely live longer than three
years. Witness encouraged her as much
as possible. She was of a sunny and
cheerful disposition. She was very de-
voted to Alex. Dunsmuir, and made him
a perfect wife, as good as any man could
have.
About September or October, 1900, he
saw James Dunsmuir, Mrs. James Dun-
smuir and some members of the family.
He did not recollect Alex. Dunsmuir.
Witness had a conversation with Mrs.
Hopper in New York, 1901, about Mrs.
Dunsmuir and Alex. Dunsmuir. He
might have said that he did not think
that Mrs. Dunsmuir intended to leave
the library to Wilson. He had no recollection
of advising her to see a lawyer
with regard to her rights. If Mrs. Hop-
per said he did he would not contradict
it.
Witness assuredly told Mrs. Hopper
that Mrs. Dunsmuir had worn herself
out at attendance on Alex. Dunsmuir.
He had no recollection of ever saying
that he did not believe that Alex. Dun-
smuir intended to cut Mrs. Dunsmuir
out as he had done.
Witness had a communication from
Mrs. Hopper. When the latter arrived
in San Francisco in December he learned
that an action was intended to be
undertaken to set aside the will. He
had no recollection in June that Mrs.
Dunsmuir intended taking action.
In 1902, about July, Mrs. Hopper
came to his office. Probably Judge Coyne
was present, and it was suggested to go
over to San Francisco, which he did on
Saturday. He discussed Alex. Dun-
smuir's condition with Mrs. Hopper and
Judge Coyne and others. He was positive
he did not outline the evidence which
he was prepared to give. He might have
recounted the habits of Alex. Dunsmuir,
but he could not recollect it.
Leading statements purported to have
been made by witness as to Alex. Dun-
smuir's condition, he agreed with part of
it, but denied that he said that Alex.
Dunsmuir became prejudiced against
him. He did not say that he attributed
this to something Mrs. Hopper had said.
He agreed that it was a dangerous thing
for Alex. Dunsmuir to see him in New York
in December. He had not seen him for
four months, but it was an imprudent
thing to do at that season of the year, as
contained in the statement.
Witness had no recollection of saying,
according to the statement, that on De-
cember, 1899, Alex. Dunsmuir was not
in a condition to make a will or to trans-
act business. He had not expressed
such an opinion, as he was not in a po-
sition to know. He was sure he made
no such statement.
He had made a statement to Mr. Hine-

W. A. SMITH.
WE ARE MAKING A
CLEAN SWEEP OF
Apples
and Eggs
Windsor Grocery
Company
Opposite Post Office. Government St.

man which was taken down by a steno-
grapher. The statement in it that during
a visit of James Dunsmuir in September,
1890, that Alex. Dunsmuir was on a
splee and that his continued excessive
use of liquor had weakened his intellec-
tual powers was denied by witness.
He denied telling Mrs. Hopper in San
Francisco in July, 1902, that he would
help her all he could, but preferred hav-
ing his evidence taken under commis-
sion. He told Mrs. Hopper in New
York that he would help her.
Mr. Redwell called attention to the
fact that the name of witness appeared
on the list of witnesses for plaintiff to be
examined by commission in San Fran-
cisco; that when the commission sat in
San Francisco witness was out of the
city, and did not return until after the
commission completed its work.
Witness could not recall the time when
he left San Francisco in 1903. He was
absent for some time. He came up last
June as a witness for James Dunsmuir.
He could not recollect saying to Judge
Coyne or Mrs. Hopper that he did not
know what use his evidence could be to
the defence.
He had made a statement regarding
the case in San Francisco to Attorney
Thorn, a relative of his own.
Mr. Redwell wished then to take a
half hour's adjournment in order to al-
low him to go through Mr. Thorn's
books.
To this Mr. Davis objected, as the
books had been available all along.
His Lordship also agreed with that
view.
Mr. Redwell attempting to proceed
with the examination he required found
it impossible, and again asked for an
adjournment as it would result in the
saving of time.
Mr. Davis objected again, and said
that the history of this case had been
that in such instances the cross-examina-
tion had been prolonged.
Mr. Redwell thought this statement
should not have been made, and should
be withdrawn.
His Lordship thought the cross-ex-
amination was rather long.
Finally it was agreed to take adjourn-
ment half an hour earlier, and the court
adjourned until this afternoon.

PERSONAL.
Major and Mrs. Griesbach, who intend
making their home in Victoria, expect to
visit Southern California before taking up
their residence here permanently. Major
Griesbach is a retired officer of the North-
west Mounted Police.
S. H. Pearce and wife, of New Westmin-
ster; W. G. Adams, of London, Eng.; Peter
Herman, of Port Hastings; and H. E.
Tanner, of Saanich, are at the Dominion
hotel.

J. L. Ziegler, representing S. L. May &
Co., sued Messrs. Post, Moore, & Min-
nison in the city on business. While here he
is making the Dominion hotel his headquarters.
P. Herman, S. P. Moody, D. C. McHarg,
E. J. Cotton, Judge Rele and A. H. Wall-
bridge were among the passengers from
Vancouver by the Charmer last evening.
John Skinner, one of the clerks employed
at the Dominion hotel, is enjoying a vaca-
tion. He left on the steamer Callian last
evening on a tour of the Sound cities.
W. Beumont, of Maple Bay, and Father
Van Noy, of Kuper Island, were among yes-
terday's arrivals by the steamer Inverness.
G. J. Hoffmaster, of Vancouver, and J.
S. Knight and J. A. Edegen, of H. M. S.
Egeria, are registered at the Vernon.
Max Glick, of Cleveland, Ohio, and E.
R. Hill and Mrs. Hill, of Oakland, Cal., are
guests at the Inverness hotel.

Mr. H. E. Hurl left for California on Mon-
day night after a visit to her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. A. McKewen.
S. W. Bodley, formerly of Victoria, and
now of Duncan, is in the city. He is stay-
ing at the Dominion.
L. Macmillan left on Monday for Port-
land to resume his studies in the Medical
College there.
A. C. Gough, of Rossland, is staying at the
New England.

Home-made mince meat means
drudgery—so much to do
before it's ready for
the pie.
Wetley's
Mince Meat
means a pleasant time for
the cook and no chance
of disappointment.
"One try satisfies"
Three small pies or
two large ones in
any dining room
is all good greens sell
it.

POLICE RETURNS
FOR PAST YEAR
MARKED REDUCTION
IN LIST OF CRIMES

The city police returns for 1903 show
that during the twelve months which
now belong to history the department
has guarded this city with unrelaxed
vigilance. The keen inspection of arriv-
ing steamers and trains by officers of the
law and the promptitude with which
study characters were presented with
clearance papers is responsible for the
comparative immunity from serious
crime which Victoria has enjoyed. It is
true that two or three desperate crooks
filtered through, but their commission of
crime was followed by their prompt cap-
ture and severe punishment, the swift,
enforceable administration of justice, in
those instances arousing considerable
complimentary comment in the press of
those of the neighboring cities less
vigorously guarded. The total number of
cases for the past year was 1,001, a de-
crease of eighty-nine below the aggregate
for the preceding year. A glance at the
appended list will show that the bulk of
the cases are infractions of the city by-
laws, drunkenness and safe keeping. The
most serious case was that of man-
slaughter, from which the accused was
exonerated by the grand jury when he
came before them. There was one case
of attempted murder, for which Frank
Munro, a chambermaker, is serving a sen-
tence. There were two cases of robbery
under arms consequent on the hold-up at
the Western hotel. For this crime Leon-
ard and Lorenzo, the perpetrators, are
undergoing the penalty in the New West-
minster penitentiary.
The total is divided into the following:
48; sent up for trial, 14; discharged, 353;
total, 590.
Indians committed in the police court,
100; discharged, 10; total, 110.
Chinese, committed in the police court,
123; discharged, 17; total, 142.
The number of complaints received by
telephone or otherwise during the past
year was 1,115, against 1,807 for 1902.
The fines amounted to more than four
thousand dollars.
Under the various headings the total
list of cases dealt with follows: Assault,
39; aggravated assault, 11; assault on
police, 3; attempted suicide, 1; breaking
and entering, 10; attempted murder, 1;
committing a nuisance, 1; giving a dis-
turbance, 3; carrying concealed weapon,
1; cruelty to animals, 9; infraction of
city by-laws, 100; drunken, 290; infraction
of the Provincial Revenue Tax Act, 7;
fighting, 1; frequenter of bawdy house,
12; infraction of the game laws, 2; doing
bodily harm, 10; highway robbery,
2; inmate of bawdy house, 10; in-
decent assault, 2; infraction of Postal
Regulations Act, 1; infraction of the
Juvenile Act, 1; keeping bawdy house, 1;
gambling, 8; habitual drunkard, 1; man-
slaughter, 1; malicious injury to prop-
erty, 8; obscene language, 3; obtaining
money under false pretences, 2; obtaining
money under false pretences, 13; ob-
structing the police, 3; possession of
stolen property, 3; possession of intox-
icants, 34; infraction of the Public
Morals By-Law, 1; receiving stolen prop-
erty, 1; robbery with violence, 2; sup-
plying intoxicants to Indians, 12; strag-
gling, 10; using false pretences, 1; using
false name, 2; vagrancy, 18; unsound
mind, 10; total, 1,001.
The above is not a very formidable
record. Compared with the criminal
statistics of some of the neighboring
cities it is middling itself. Victoria is
well policed, a blessing that can be
readily realized and appreciated when
the hold-ups, robberies and burglaries
which occur daily in other places are
brought to the press.
Held at Anacortes.

Chief Langley last night received a
telegram from the chief of police of
Anacortes, B. C., the arrest of Sr.
Elmo and Gove, the two swindlers who
operated very successfully in this city on
New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day.
As it has been told the two passed forged
cheques on a number of local trades-
people, and altogether cleared about two
hundred and fifty dollars. The following
account of the futile attempt of Gove to
work a prominent druggist will some-
what elucidate the method they employ-
ed.
Gove entered the store about 7 o'clock
on New Year's Day, and said he wanted
to make a present to Rev. Mr. Miller,
who had treated him very kindly during
his stay here. A pair of military brushes
were suggested, and Gove selected a
pair costing \$8.50. "All right, I'll take
those," he said, feeling in his pockets
exploratory surveys of his pockets, but
was only partially successful in his quest.
"Strange," he said, as he hunted out
\$8.50. "I thought I had more change
than this on me. But afraid I'll have to
call again and get the brushes myself,"
and a bright idea seemed to strike him.
"You will cash this cheque,"
Intuition warned the druggist to be-
ware of that cheque, so he didn't cash it.
He told the would-be purchaser that he
could have another pair of brushes
almost as good for \$5.00, the amount of
money he had. But the man wanted
the other pair—something high class. He
was then told he could have the best
pair for \$5.50 down, paying the balance
again. But even this arrangement didn't
suit him. Evidently he wanted to unload
that cheque on the store. Finally he
said he would hunt up the secretary of
the B. C. A. and get the balance. He
returned a little later, and said that the
secretary was so busy receiving visitors
that he couldn't get near him. Finding
that the druggist wouldn't cash the
cheque, he said:
"I'll tell you what I'll do: I'll bring you
50 cents to hold the brushes, and come in
with the balance later." He deposited
the 50 cents, but did not appear again.
He and Sr. Elmo took passage on the

same night for Vancouver. Apparently
he deposited the 50 cents to allay the
druggist's suspicion. It is understood
that when their stateroom was being put
in order after they had debarked at the
Terminal City a bunch of cheques with
the name of a Vancouver firm stamped
on their backs were found under the
mat. The two doubtless thought that
they would be held up and searched by
the Vancouver police on their arrival.
BRIEF TELEGRAMS.
Private cable dispatches from Edin-
burgh, Scotland, say Mrs. Brown, widow
of the late Hon. Geo. Brown, suffered
a paralytic stroke recently and is now
in a critical condition at her residence
in that city.
During the past two weeks over 4,000
wage earners who have been idle five
months have been furnished with em-
ployment for the resumption of mills in
the Pittsburg district. It is said that
the demand for iron and steel products
is increasing and contracts are being let
more freely than at any time during the
depression which covers a period of
nearly four months.
Ex-Mayor W. B. Kirk, of Syracuse,
N. Y., now a guest at the Hoffman
House, New York, was reported to have
on Tuesday exhibited a cheque for \$40,000, payable to his order and bearing
the signature of J. F. Gaynor. Many
months ago Mr. Kirk signed a bail bond
for Mr. Gaynor, who had been indicted
for complicity in the frauds connected
with the United States government im-
provement in the harbor of Savannah.
Gaynor went to Canada. When Gaynor
saw the bond must be paid he is said
to have handed his cheque to his bond-
smen.
Governor Odell, of New York, in his
message today submitted to the legisla-
ture, says the condition of the state
finances is most gratifying. The receipts
are nearly equal to payments, and with
a large surplus on hand, it needs pro-
vidence and wisdom upon the part of the
legislature to make unnecessary tax for
the ensuing year.

TIDE TABLE.
Victoria, B. C., December, 1903.
(Compiled by the tidal survey branch of the
Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ot-
tawa.)
Victoria, B. C., January, 1904.
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Zero of above heights corresponds to 11
feet in the fairway of Victoria harbor.
The time used is Pacific standard for the
120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0
hours, from midnight to midnight.
The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.
For time of high-water add 14 minutes
to H. W. Victoria.
Equipment (at Dry Dock). From observa-
tions during six months, May to October,
compared with simultaneous observations
continued at Victoria by Mr. P. N. Dem-
son.

The barber who rents the barber's shop
at the Waldorf Astoria hotel in New York
pays \$1,000 a year for so doing.
In North Wales the Welsh word for
"now" is "nwan." In South Wales it is
"nwan" spelt backwards, viz. "awn."

Mythology says that Hestron, the son of
Japhet, the son of Noah, had four sons—
Francus, Romanus, Alemanus and Britto-
from whom descended the French, Roman,
German and British peoples.

The oldest bank in the world is the State
Bank of Naples, which was founded in
1589.

BIRD—On the 4th inst., at 24 Henry street,
the wife of A. H. Bird, of a son.
MARRIED.
PHELIPOTT-SAVAGE—At Westham Island,
on Dec. 30th, by the Rev. Thos. Oswald,
Whitford Phippott and Margerie J. Savage.
JOHNSON-GRANT—At Vancouver, on Jan.
4th, Capt. Bernard Johnson and Miss
Flora Macdonald Grant.
DECEASED.
NEEDHAM—At Vancouver, on Jan. 1st,
Donald Needham, aged 45.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
SITUATION WANTED—Young married
man, with 12 years' experience as sales-
man and city soliciting. "American."
Times.
WANTED—Position as working house-
keeper. "A. E." Times.
FOR SALE—Store, desk, bed and cot.
"Lawrence Hotel, up-stairs, front room."
FOR SALE—High grade English double
barrel hammerless shotgun, cost new this
season \$120. Owner has no further use,
will take \$60; a bargain. Apply 11
Springfield Ave., Victoria West.

TO LET—Central, two bedrooms, with
sitting room, electric light, bath; no other
lodgers. Address Mater.
LOST—Tuesday, lady's umbrella, silver
handle. Please return to 38 Vancouver
street. Reward.

Silver Band Mining Co., Ltd.
The annual meeting of shareholders will
be held at the offices of the Company, 74
Wharf street, Victoria, B. C., on 10th
February, 1904, at 8 p. m.
E. B. MARVIN, President.
F. F. HEDGER, Secy. Treas.

To the Electors
I beg to announce myself as a candidate
for School Trustee, and most respectfully
request your vote and influence.
ROBT. MOWAT.

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Will purchase a lovely Five-Roomed Co-
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electric light, H. & C. water, etc., etc.
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On monthly instalments, \$10.00 each (interest 4 per
cent only). Best of soil. Apply.
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40 Government Street.

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In sums from \$250.00 to \$25,000.00