

YELLOW AND WHITE WILL NOT MIX

FORCIBLE SPEECH OF R. G. MACPHERSON

Vancouver M. P. Was Able Secorder of Oriental Restriction Resolution Introduced by R. Smith

(Special Correspondence of the Times). Ottawa, Dec. 18.—As the Oriental immigration question is particularly acute in Vancouver, the remarks of R. G. MacPherson, who seconded the motion of Ralph Smith, were listened to with considerable interest. He said:

I suppose that there has been no question brought up in this House since I have been a member of it that opens a wider door for the demagogue than this anti-Oriental question. It is easy for the man on the street to denounce anybody and everybody in connection with Oriental immigration, because the man in Canada finds his fellow with a skin not the color of his own coming into the country, and immediately that which is latent in the mind and heart of every white man the question of color comes up. I do not wish to approach this question in any dogmatic spirit, nor do I wish to draw the color line too clearly while dealing with it. I would rather approach the question from the broad standpoint of Canadian citizenship and the best interests of our country. An attempt has been made to throw into the political cockpit this Oriental question. My good friend the leader of the opposition, in his pilgrimage to the Pacific coast, in the opening his tour with a meeting in the city of Vancouver, brought this question into the sphere of active politics by an attack upon the government and an attack upon myself. A little later on I will give reasons for my belief that the hon. gentleman's position was not correct, and I am prepared to stand or fall in the estimation of the part of the country I represent as to whether or not my actions have been correct. A few months ago there was brought down to this House by the right hon. leader of the government a bill for the ratification of the treaty which had been entered into between Great Britain and Japan, and which included Canada. At that time there was not inside of our House any question as to whether or not we should enter into that treaty. There was no Japanese question at that time, as nobody could know better than myself, who lives in a hotbed of anti-Orientalism in British Columbia. When that treaty was before the House, the hon. member for the city of New Westminster (Mr. Kennedy) brought up the question, whether or not free intercourse would be allowed between Japan and Canada, that is, whether Japanese and Canadians might come and go freely in their respective countries. At that time we had the assurance in writing of the consul general of Japan, which every hon. member of this House was prepared to accept, which I accepted; that a restricted number only of Japanese would be allowed to come into Canada. Upon that assurance I replied and this House relied, and upon that assurance the right hon. leader of the government put through the treaty, which made Canada a party to it. The hon. leader of the opposition, when in Vancouver, said: Where was the hon. member for Vancouver when this treaty went through? I was in my seat in this House; and that question can be asked of me as a private citizen, much more can it be asked of the hon. leader of the opposition; where was he as the leader of a great party when an important question like that was brought before this House? If it is asked why I did not open my mouth, I ask why did the hon. leader of the opposition sit as dumb as an oyster in its shell when the question was brought before this House? I stated in this platform in Vancouver, and I state here, that I had no reason to raise my voice on the question, because there was at that time no question on which any man was called on to speak in regard to that treaty. I ask the hon. leader of the opposition, where was he when the treaty went through? Why, Sir, he was just as ignorant of the question as he was dumb on the question, and so was every other man in Canada, because he was not then known and could not be conceived that so soon would come this bolt from the blue in the crisis that arose in Vancouver last summer. Therefore I say it becomes the leader of a great party to throw into the political cockpit a question of this kind.

Nor do I wish to shift the responsibility placed upon me in this matter. No man can foresee the future, and every man's hind sight is better than his foresight. We can look back and appreciate the mistakes we have committed; but so far as the government of Canada is concerned, there was no mistake other than their putting faith in promises which were never lived up to, but which they had every reason to believe would be respected. I am not saying that the government of Japan broke their promise. They may have lived up to the letter of their agreement. But what I say is that it was made possible for the citizens of Japan, over whom Canadians had no control, to sink at the letter of the law and break it in spirit, as has been done during the last four or five months. When the treaty became law there was an understanding between this government and the government of Japan that only one passport per month would be issued from each of the Japanese ports

ASKED SURGEONS TO END HIS LIFE

EMINENT SCIENTIST VICTIM OF LOCKJAW

Dr. Peasden Stricken by Disease on Which He Is Greatest Authority

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Dr. Joseph Peasden, a scientist, occupying one of the foremost positions with a large practicing firm, indicated by signs to physicians at his bedside in the Chicago Baptist hospital that he realized that the attack of lockjaw from which he was suffering would prove fatal and urged them to end his life with a drug. Surgeons about him, inured as they were to the sufferings of others heeded before the dumb appeal from the man of science. Probably more skilled in the effects of the disease which has seized him, than any other man in the country, and then turned away for fear that they might grant his wish.

Before the verdict of the dying man on his own life they were obliged, for there could have been no higher authority than his opinion. When he found that the law written and unwritten would not permit his fellows to end his sufferings, Dr. Peasden resigned himself to the care of the nurses. When he heard his physicians say that if he lived another day there was hope for him, he shook his head. They pretended not to notice and left him in charge of a nurse with soothing lotions to quiet his pain.

“INTO JAWS OF JAPANESE LION”

HOW W. T. STEAD VIEWS U. S. NAVAL POLICY

White Fleet Is in Pacific Americans Will Be Civil to Nippon

London, Dec. 26.—William T. Stead, editor of the Review of Reviews, in an article in the Daily Mail, justifying his recent advocacy of Great Britain's replying to Germany's naval programme by laying down two Dreadnoughts for every one Germany builds, argues that Germany has weakened instead of strengthened her position in the world by building a fleet, because the whole German navy virtually is a hostage in the hands of a stronger naval power.

“For any power to have a fleet on the high seas,” says the writer, “which is not the strongest fleet afloat, is an increase not of strength, but of vulnerability. For instance, the American fleet in the Pacific is supposed to be a menace to Japan. In reality, if it ventures into the Northern Pacific, Uncle Sam will be bound over to good behavior to the whole value of the United States, its invulnerability on land, its venturing her head into the jaws of the Japanese lion, and while the fleet remains in the Pacific, Americans will be very civil to Japan.”

SANTA CLAUS ON FIRE

While Distributing Gifts From Christmas Tree Dauphin Man Is Badly Burned

Dauphin Man, Dec. 26.—F. J. Astley, railway agent here was rather badly burned yesterday. At the home of R. P. Nason he was acting as Santa Claus and just after dinner was engaged in distributing from the Christmas tree when his head gear became ignited from the candles. His face and hands were badly burned before the flames could be extinguished.

SEARCH FOR SCION OF ARISTOCRACY

Heir to English Barony, Disowned by Parents, Believed to be Cowboy in Kansas

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 24.—Search is being made in this part of the country for Genlie-Cave-Browne-Cave, believed to be the heir to the title and estate of Sir Myles Cave-Browne-Cave, an English baron recently deceased. According to Henry C. Solomon, a prominent Kansas City attorney, once retained by a man who represented himself to be Genlie-Cave, the latter is still believed to be in Kansas. The last heard from him was a year ago, when he was bound for that state to become a cowboy.

DEPARTED ARMY. Frenchmen Fined and Imprisoned For Inciting to Mutiny.

THREE LIBERAL VICTORIES

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Dr. McLean, Liberal, was elected in Centre York by 19 of a majority. Mr. Caron, Liberal, was elected at Ottawa by 2,329 of a majority, and ex-Mayor Major, Liberal, was elected by acclamation in Labelle.

TIMBER POLICY * GIVES TROUBLE COMPLAINT RAISED BY ONE INTERESTED

There Will be Very Heavy Loss to Those Who Have Cruisers in Field.

The provincial government it would appear has again acted without discretion in connection with the timber laws. The McBride administration seems to have a faculty for taking action which shows that no care had been exercised to look into the results. The timber reservation may be another example of this.

ANOTHER RESULT OF MONEY PANIC

Minneapolis Flour Shipments Fall Short of Last Year's Total by 1,000,000 Barrels.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 26.—Flour shipments from Minneapolis for 1907 will fall short of the total shipment during 1906 by nearly 1,000,000 barrels. This decrease apparently has been entirely due to the financial flurry, and the figures for each month show that only in three months for the entire year have the shipments for 1907 exceeded those for the same months in 1906.

INQUIRY INTO DEATH

Saskatoon Man Who Succumbed to Strychnine May Have Been Murdered.

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 26.—An inquiry will take place into the death of Benjamin Vogan who was found dead on October 26th in a short distance from this city. The matter is now in the hands of the attorney-general and the police are making inquiries, and the question now is was it self-administered, or is it a case of murder.

WRECKERS AT WORK

Attempt to Blow Up Massive Railway Bridge Over Hackensack River.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 24.—An attempt was made to-day to blow up the new state bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, now in course of construction over the Erie railway tracks near the Hackensack river. A huge hole was torn from the centre of the bridge by an explosion of dynamite. No arrests have been made.

MOVING CHOP

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—W. R. Lanigan, general freight agent of the C. P. R., to-day said: “We are moving from 150 to 200 cars a day eastward from Fort William and the exceptionally fine weather has aided us considerably during the past few weeks. We expect to get all damaged grain out of the country, before the beginning of the winter weather.”

FATHER JOHN ILL

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—Father John, of Cronstadt, is seriously ill with the recurrence of an old malady in an aggravated form. He is unable to eat, and on account of his great age and debility his recovery is problematical.

DEADLOCK IN CHINESE EMPIRE

AGITATION AGAINST BRITISH INTERESTS

Government Expected to Assume Definite Policy Regarding Loan to Provinces

Peking, Dec. 25.—From present indications the government is on the point of coming to a decision as to its policy in the matter of the local agitation arising from the conflict of British and Chinese interests, and especially regarding the proposed loan in Che Kiang and Kiang Su provinces.

MURDER FRUD. Accused Man and His Main Witness Waylaid—Former Brutally Killed.

Roxie, Minn., Dec. 25.—While returning home, near here, last night, James Temple and J. C. Campbell were waylaid and Campbell killed and Temple shot through the stomach and his head almost blown off. Campbell was out on bonds, having killed a young man named Grover in May last. Temple was the main witness in the case. Last night's shooting is believed to be an incident in a feud which has come into existence, since the killing of young Grover.

APPEAL AGAINST TWO CENT RATE

G. T. R. Making Effort to Take Case Up to Imperial Privy Council.

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—Commissioner Killam, chairman of the railway commission, has prepared his decision in the application of the Grand Trunk Railroad for a delay in the enforcement of the judgment of the Supreme court, ordering third class cars and a two-cent passenger rate between Montreal and Toronto until an appeal was taken to the judicial committee of the imperial privy council. The decision of Commissioner Killam has not yet been signed by the other two commissioners and until it is so it will not be made public. It is understood, however, that the commission will give the G. T. R. time to ascertain if it can get an appeal. This will be known in February. If an appeal is granted by the judicial committee in February then as a matter of course the new rate cannot be enforced until a judgment is obtained.

HYPNOTIC INFLUENCE

Lady Forced to Go Through Mock Marriage Ceremony—Mind is Now Clear.

Aberdeen, Dec. 25.—Upon recovering from the effects of ether, administered at a hospital here while an operation was performed, Mrs. Neibel, formerly of Lexington, Ky., states that her mind is now clear, and that she is free from the hypnotic influence held over her by John E. Wagner, with whom she came West.

TORNADO WRECKS TRAIN

Mighty Gust of Wind Responsible For One Killed and Ten Injured.

Denver, Col., Dec. 25.—A terrific tornado blew a passenger train off the track one mile north of Marshall, Col. on the Colorado & Southern railroad shortly before noon yesterday. Baggage man Chiles, of Denver, was killed and eight or ten trainmen and passengers injured. All wires in that direction are down, and no details have been received.

PORTUGUESE SITUATION

Lisbon, Dec. 25.—Following the promise of the government to terminate the dictatorship and hold the elections for the chamber of deputies at an early date, if the calm in the political atmosphere was maintained, a decree was issued yesterday setting the elections for April 1st.

PICTURE THEATRE APTE

Brandon, Man., Dec. 25.—A fire in a picture theatre here last night destroyed the moving picture machine and three sets of films.

BOUND TO FAR NORTH

DETACHMENT OF MOUNTED POLICE CARRYING RELIEVE TO INDIAN MURDERER

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—The detachment of mounted police which left Manitoba on the line of the Canadian Northern a few days ago for Fort Churchill, will proceed to Norway House where they will meet a detachment from Split Lake post.

CONGO ANNEXATION

Brussels, Dec. 24.—The commission of seven which has under advisement the amendment treaty between Belgium and the Congo Independent state, has decided to refer back to the government the question of the crown domain and other important matters in the agreement for a fuller explanation.

VICTORY FOR MOROCCO'S SULTAN

FORCES OF PRETENDER REPULSED TWICE

Partizans of Mulai Hafid Retreat—Leave 200 Dead on Field of Battle.

Morocco City, Dec. 25.—Recent fighting in this vicinity has resulted in two victories for partizans of Abdul Aziz, the Sultan of Morocco. The Renhams followers of Mulai Hafid, the “Southern Sultan,” attacked the Shragma tribesmen, partizans of Abdul Aziz, but were repulsed with the loss of 200 men. After receiving 800 reinforcements from Mulai Hafid the Renhams attacked a second time, but again suffered defeat.

CREMATION MURDER CASE

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—Look Wing and Lee Chow came to their death by being smothered on the morning of Dec. 15th by some party or parties unknown. This was the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury in the inquest on the two Chinamen who were killed a little over a week ago.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT

Morris Man Dec. 25.—The man Latham on whom J. C. Badger made the murderous assault on Dec. 15th, is now slowly recovering. It is doubtful if he will be able to attend at the Winnipeg court on Dec. 27th. His recovery was considered doubtful by many who saw him, but it is now hoped that he will recover.

RUGBY WIN FOR VANCOUVER CITY

Stanford University Defeated in Christmas Day Match by Three Points to Nil.

(Special to the Times). Vancouver, Dec. 25.—In a sloppy sea of mud, Vancouver defeated Stanford yesterday by a score of three points to nil. This was the first game in a series of three for the Keith cup.

IRON HAND IN POLAND

Warsaw, Dec. 24.—Gen. Skallon, governor-general of Warsaw, who recently closed 1,900 Polish schools and disbanded a number of labor unions, has ordered all the Jewish clubs in Poland to close.

RAID ON BLACK HAND

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—The police raided an alleged Black Hand organization this afternoon and arrested 17 Italians. All the foreigners were armed with revolvers and stilettoes.

PRINCE'S VISIT IS SIGNIFICANT

CHINA AND JAPAN MAY DRAW TOGETHER

More Cordial Relations Are Expected to Follow Judging by the Reception.

The event of most significance that has characterized the last six months in the international politics of the Far East is the visit of Prince Pu Lum, the chief heir to the throne of China, to the Mikado, according to reliable advices brought by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tango Maru, which reached port to-day.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK IN NELSON

Nelson, Dec. 24.—The Queen City of the Kootenays never witnessed a brighter or more prosperous eve. A large number of ranchers who have settled in the district during the last twelve months are in the city for the holidays. The streets and stores have been crowded during all the afternoon and evening. There is good skating, sleighing and curling and with a promise settlement of all labor questions in the Boundary and elsewhere, the outlook here is decidedly satisfactory.

TELEPHONE BUOYS

Method by which French Naval Submarine Will Communicate With Surface.

SUPREME CHIEF RANGER

Toronto, Dec. 25.—Rumors regarding the resignation of Elliott G. Stevenson as supreme chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters are set at rest by a statement from Stevenson himself. In reply to a telegram sent him from Detroit, he says: “No basis for rumor.” An unqualified denial has also been given by the executive.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHINA

Peking, Dec. 25.—An effort has been issued by the throne expelling the current hope that eventually a constitution will be given to the people, but no date is fixed. It asserts that the people's voice must not be raised higher in its demand for a constitution, but that the people must be satisfied that the first step looking to the formation of a parliament has been taken by the recent creation of the government council together with the provincial assemblies.

RAID ON BLACK HAND

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—The police raided an alleged Black Hand organization this afternoon and arrested 17 Italians. All the foreigners were armed with revolvers and stilettoes.

You Cannot Make a Mistake in Buying a Good Bottle of Perfume for a Xmas Gift. We have a larger stock than ever, including the best known Perfumers as Houbigant, Pinaud, Roger & Gallet, Piver, Rimmel and Seeley. It will pay you to call and see our stock.

Campbell's Prescription Store. Cor. Fort & Douglas Streets. We are prompt. We are careful. Our prices are right.



COKE Mixed With Coal

Throws out a splendid and lasting heat; it is matchless for the open grate or the cook stove. For a New Year's Gift for some friend, why not order from us a

Ton of Coke for \$6.00

We will deliver it free for you to any address within city limits, or charge you only \$5.00 if you send for it.

VICTORIA GAS COMPANY, LTD. CORNER FORT AND LANGLEY STREETS.

A Happy and Enjoyable Christmastide TO ALL

Is the Wish of the

Windsor Grocery Company, Opposite Post Office, Government Street.

JUST RECEIVED

CARLOAD OF PIPE

Black Galvanized 1/4 to 4 inches 1/2 to 3 inches

HARDWARE MERCHANTS WALTER S. FRASER & CO. LIMITED

WHARF STREET, VICTORIA

For Your Breakfast

- B. C. BACON, per lb. 25c. B. C. HAMS, per lb. 22c. SWIFT'S BACON, per lb. 30c. SWIFT'S HAM, per lb. 30c. GREEN BACON, per lb. 20c. FRESH EGGS, per doz. 55c.

FELL & COMPANY, LTD.

Quality Grocers, 631 FORT STREET, PHONE 94.

THE Nettleton

DISTINGUISHED BOOTMAKING

IS A MODEST DESCRIPTION

"NETTLETON"

Exclusively High Grade Footwear

IN NETTLETON SHOES, for men only, are embodied the foremost elements of progress in scientific shoe making.

We Are Now Opening a New Shipment.

BAKER SHOE CO., Limited. 1109 GOVERNMENT ST.

Order Your Xmas Turkey From Us

LOCAL OR EASTERN BIRDS.

Geese, Chickens, Ducks, Wild Ducks, Pigeons, Rabbits, etc.

D. K. CHUNGRANES

Tel. 247. 608 BROUGHTON ST. Near Government.

ANGRY MOB STORMS CHINESE QUARTERS

Sudden Outbreak of Racial Antipathy in Lethbridge—Restaurant Windows Smashed—Crowd Dispersed by Mounted Police

Lethbridge, Sask., Dec. 24.—The interior of the Columbia restaurant was partly wrecked last night and the windows of nearly every other Chinese restaurant were smashed by a mob of nearly three hundred persons. The affair took place quite suddenly and the windows of the Alberta restaurant and Joe Wong's were assailed at the same time. Constable Rose telephoned for the mounted police, a number of whom promptly arrived and cleared the premises and arrested several of the mob, but not until a Chinaman or two had been roughly handled. The police patrolled the streets and went down to protect Quong Wong's place, near the post office. Meanwhile a portion of the mob slipped round to the Harbourside Road and smashed the front of the Chinese restaurant near the Arlington. The mounted police came over and in a few minutes nothing was to be seen of any mob. Shortly after 7 o'clock last night the rumor spread that Harry Smith, a well known and popular rancher from Littleton, had died at the hospital from the effects of a blow with a hammer.

A. W. SMITH PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY

Deceased Was for Many Years a Member of the Local Legislature.

The death occurred yesterday at the Royal Jubilee hospital of Alfred Wellington Smith, of Lillooet. The deceased was well known in Victoria, where he has been a frequent visitor for many years past. For years he represented the constituency of Lillooet in the local legislature. Later, after he no longer sat in the legislature, Mr. Smith was in the habit of spending the greater part of the winter in this city. Alfred Wellington Smith, late member for West Lillooet, was born at Kempstone, Bedfordshire, England, March 24th, 1840. He was educated at Bedford school and Epworth College, and some years later married Margaret Ann Gilman. He was for years engaged in business as a merchant, but he retired in 1888, and was government agent for Lillooet from 1893 to 1897. In 1899 he was elected to the legislature, and was re-elected on four consecutive occasions. Mrs. Smith was with her husband at the time of his death.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2:30 from the parlors of the Western Funeral Home, 305 Government street. Rev. T. W. Gladstone will conduct the services, the interment taking place at Ross Bay.

GREEK MEETS GREEK

Victoria Bootblack Takes Advantage of a Guileless One From Seattle.

All the crooks do not live in Seattle, neither are all the crooks residents in this city. A short time ago a young Greek came over from Seattle to take a share in the bootblack business run by a fellow countryman at the entrance to the Manitoba Bar. In order to pass the time when business was slack, the Victoria Greek initiated the Seattle lad into the mysteries of card playing. They played for money, but the longer the newcomer was at the game the more the Greek thought it was all for fun and the closer the lad asked for his money, cash was kept piled up on the table. At last the older hand dropped the pile into his pocket and walked off. Finding persuasion of no avail the lad, who was out to the extent of \$67.50, appealed to the police, who advised that the money should be returned. This was done, but while speaking smoothly to the police in English, he is supposed to have threatened in Greek that he would visit his wrath upon the younger man. When they met down town the quarrel broke out, and it is alleged the Greek threatened to knife his comrade. The police were appealed to a second time, and now the Greek is cooling off in the lock-up.

CELEBRATE TO-MORROW

Victoria West's Sunday School Will Entertain by Giving a Cantata.

The Victoria West Methodist Sunday school hold their Christmas celebration in Semple's hall to-morrow evening at 7:30. The children are to give a cantata entitled "The Shadow of Santa Claus." Many rehearsals have been held and the young folk have become proficient in their parts. The music of the cantata is quite "taking" and the dialogue work will prove of great interest. The children of the Sunday school have been asked to bring a free-will offering for missions with them to the entertainment. As this is the season for giving, it was thought wise to teach the children a little of the giving spirit. The Sunday school teachers will have a small gift for the children, and there will be the usual distribution of candies, etc. An admission to the cantata for non-members of the Sunday school and adults is being charged.

The death occurred yesterday, Christmas Day, of Minnie Meller Garnham, daughter of Frederick Garnham, at the family home corner of Toronto and Government streets. The deceased, who was born at Moose Jaw, was 15 years of age. The funeral will take place on Friday at 1:30 from the house and at 2 o'clock from St. Barnabas' church, Rev. E. G. Miller officiating.

Ald. Hanna warmed the hearts of the Times staff by the presentation of a box of cigars on Christmas evening.

Manager Ripkett, of the Victoria theatre, marked Christmas by remembering the Times staff with a box of cigars.

struck by a Chinaman in the Columbia restaurant. As a matter of fact Harry Smith was quite well and enjoying a social evening with a Christmas party. This fact was not known, however, and the rumor was believed. The Chinaman who had struck him was arrested and put in jail, but this fact also was unknown and an indignant angry mob gathered in front of the restaurant and there was talk of lynching. Presently it seemed to boil over, and doors were burst open, counters and tables overturned and any Chinamen who could be caught were roughly treated. Simultaneously a portion of the crowd smashed the windows but little actual damage was done though there were a lot of badly scared Chinamen feeling wildly to cover. Mayor Galbraith was on the scene and called on good citizens to disperse and go to their homes. Magistrate Humphreys, when a portion of the crowd visited the Quong Sang restaurant on well bent that Quong Sang had been a good citizen and that he had never given any trouble and the mob acting on his advice dispersed.

BLAZE WIPED OUT ENTIRE BLOCK

Damage to Tune of \$200,000 Done by Fire in San Francisco.

San Francisco Cal., Dec. 25.—Fire destroyed nearly the entire block bounded by Mission, Jessie, First and Second streets early this morning. Several factories and stores were burned out and the loss will amount to more than two hundred thousand dollars. Most of the buildings were only temporary affairs, so that the loss was principally in stock carried by the firms involved. The Revere Rubber Company suffered heavily, and it is believed will prove a total loss. The factory of Mafem & Otter, dealers in tile and mantels, was destroyed with the stock. Wood & Little, implement dealers, lost a building and stock, so did Ecos Smith Co., Justus-Caire & Co., both hardware concerns. Quick work on the part of the fire department saved a large section of factory district, which was at one time threatened.

THE NEW HOTEL

Manager Gordon Consulted With Officials of C. P. R. Company To-Day.

Stewart Gordon, manager of the Empress hotel, informed a Times reporter this morning that he figures on having the big hostelry open about the middle of next month if not before. Mr. Gordon was in conference with R. Marpole, general executive assistant of the railway company; C. E. E. Usher, general passenger agent, and local officers of the passenger department this morning on matters connected with the introduction of the hotel service into the regular passenger work. The meeting had to do merely with the fixing of details as to the time of opening and the cooperation of the passenger department in connection therewith. Mr. Marpole said there was nothing new in connection with the Store street crossing dispute. "That," said he, "is up to the Mayor."

TO SERVE CITY

H. Callow the Latest Addition to Those Seeking Aldermanic Honors.

H. Callow has announced his intention of becoming a candidate for aldermanic honors. Mr. Callow says that he is coming out at the urgent request of his numerous friends. Although he is not now living in ward one, he has been in residence there for many years previous to about two years ago, when he removed to Fort street, where he is now running a florist business. This makes the fifth candidate in Victoria West, there being already in the field F. J. Bittancourt, Henry Norman, Captain Gidley and probably Alderman Ross.

SHEILA HAD ACCIDENT

Coming up from San Francisco to Seattle the turret steamship Sheila, formerly of the Grace line, and now under charter to Jensen and Ostrander, Seattle, blew out her high pressure valve and had to lay to in a heavy storm, to make temporary repairs. She arrived at the pugon Sound port after a long battle with the elements. This morning the Sheila passed up through quarantine to load bunker coal at Comox.

DIED

SMITH—In this city, on the 25th inst., at Royal Jubilee hospital, Alfred Wellington Smith, of Lillooet, B. C., aged 67 years, a native of Bedford, England.

The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the parlors of the H. C. Funeral-Furnishing Co., 315 Government street, and from thence to Ross Bay cemetery. GARNHAM—At the family residence, corner of Government and Toronto streets, on the 25th inst., Minnie Meller Garnham, aged 15 years and 9 months, a native of Moose Jaw.

WHEAT GIVES GREAT RETURNS TWENTY MILLION IN EXCESS OF LAST YEAR

C. E. E. Usher of C. P. R. Regards the Financial Stringency as Only Temporary

C. E. E. Usher, assistant general passenger agent of the C. P. R., is making an official tour of the Coast cities. Speaking to a Times reporter this morning Mr. Usher said that it would naturally be the policy of the company to bring as many tourists to the new hotel as they knew how. There is no doubt in the world, he said, that the hotel will do a great deal toward stimulating the tourist business. This tourist influx, Mr. Usher thinks, will be especially witnessed in 1908 when the Seattle exposition is on. As to the immediate outlook, Mr. Usher observed that the company had the regular cheap rate in effect for December and January to Victoria and other points on the Pacific Coast, and he thought there would be quite a number of people coming here from the Northwest provinces. "The financial stringency," said Mr. Usher, "is not bothering us at all for we know it is but a temporary condition which will soon pass away." In this connection, the railway man pointed out that although there had been some shortage of crops in the prairie wheat fields this was more than offset by the betterment in prices, which promised to bring \$30,000,000 into the Northwest provinces in excess of what was realized for the crop of last year.

The Empress hotel, Mr. Usher says, will compare favorably, especially with respect to its interior finish and appointments, with any of the company's establishments in Canada. Next year the company expects to operate a double daily train service to the Coast cities. This will mean a shorter time in travel, with all connections' better ways. The arrangements for this service are now being perfected.

What Other People Think

ASIATIC LABOR

To the Editor:—I was somewhat surprised on reading in Monday's issue of the Times that the enormous sum of \$10,000 every month, which means \$120,000 a year, is being sent from this city by the local Chinese, saying nothing of what the Chinese laborers in this country, it is a wonder to me how this small city can withstand this financial strain. I am not a member of the Exclusion League, but this item alone will make me a supporter in the future. What a great amount of good could be done if that amount of wealth could be kept in this city and went to improve the same in general. Homes in all directions could be put up, large bedrooms, beautiful parlors, houses of white men (unemployed) who are walking the streets of Victoria and Vancouver. It would also improve the trade of the whole lumber mills, which are run almost entirely by Oriental labor, to the detriment of themselves. Instead, we have the overcrowded, putrid Chinatown, which is a disgrace and a blot on our otherwise beautiful city, which is a prevention of many taking up residence here.

I think a man who employs and encourages Oriental immigration is a traitor to his country. Cannot the Eastern provinces and other countries develop their resources without this yellow peril? I have it on good authority from some of the oldest inhabitants that the supply of white labor was always greater than the demand. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I think if the government refuses to act it is for all the work people of this city to combine and boycott those employing Asiatic labor. F. SMITH.

A CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

To the Editor:—Being one of those not blessed with a home in Victoria and not caring to take advantage of the kindness of friends and intrude upon their family circle upon such an especial day for family re-union, I had an experience yesterday which will not be so soon forgotten. I had a letter from a friend to make public, not for my own personal benefit, for there are half a dozen or more homes in the city at which I would have been very welcome, but with the hope that I may thereby convey a suggestion to those in a position to in a small measure lessen the discomfort, to put it mildly, of such a Christmas day as yesterday was to some as regards weather. I managed to kill time until after lunch then I turned to the city public reading room in the hope that the slow hours of a most dreary afternoon might be passed there. Alas, I was not so fortunate. I managed to kill time until after lunch then I turned to the city public reading room in the hope that the slow hours of a most dreary afternoon might be passed there. Alas, I was not so fortunate. I managed to kill time until after lunch then I turned to the city public reading room in the hope that the slow hours of a most dreary afternoon might be passed there. Alas, I was not so fortunate.

Cook The Turkey To-morrow IN A PERFECTION SELF-BASTING ROAST PAN Prices \$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.35

ROLLER SKATES FOR THE CHILDREN 75 cents - - - Pair OGILVIE HARDWARE, LTD. GOVERNMENT ST., PHONE 1120

FOR MAYOR ELECTORS OF VICTORIA Ladies and Gentlemen: I purpose being a Candidate at the coming Election. With heartiest guid wishes of the season. W. J. HANNA.

44 Beautiful Lots Two minutes' walk from car line. High, dry, level, no rock. On some of them there are ancient oak trees with a magnificent spread of branches. These are undoubtedly the finest lots in Victoria. They are full size, 60x120 feet each. We have been instructed to sell in bloc, either 22 of them or the whole 44 at \$550 Each Easy Terms THE HUGO ROSS REALTY CO. LIMITED 570 YATES ST. Opp. Bank of B. N. A. Phone 1400. Vancouver, Victoria, Winnipeg.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Tugwell, Late of Victoria, B. C., Deceased. All persons indebted to the estate of Thomas Tugwell, late of Victoria, B. C., deceased, are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned before the 10th day of March, 1908. The said date the estate will be distributed among the parties entitled thereto, with regard to the claims only of which the executor had had notice. Dated the 25th day of December, A. D. 1907. FRANK HIGGINS, Law Chambers, Victoria, B. C. Solicitor for Liza Agnes Tugwell, Executrix.

I. O. O. F. The officers and members of Columbian Lodge No. 2, are requested to meet at the hall, Douglas street, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock sharp for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Robert Reid. Members of sister lodges are invited to attend. By order of the N. G. R. W. FAWCETT, Rec. Sec.

CIVIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Voters' List of the City of Victoria, was, on the 10th day of December, 1907, posted on the Bulletin Board at the City Hall, Victoria, and will remain so posted until the sitting of the Committee of Revision, and that the Committee of the City Council appointed on the 25th day of December, 1907, as a Court of Revision on said list, will sit for the purpose of revising said list on Friday, the 3rd day of January, 1908, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at the hour of 10 a.m. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., 23rd Dec., 1907.

Wescott Bros. Quality House YATES STREET. ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES.

The Constantly Increasing Sales of

VOONIA TEA

Prove that Quality and Price Are Right.

Order VOONIA next time and you will be delighted with the results.

For New Year's

If you want some little remembrances for your friends, look over our lines of

NOVELTIES

You will find what you want at

REDFERNS, Gov't St.

Diamond Merchants and Jewellers.

Plumbers and Tinsmiths

A large supply on hand of

COKE and CHARCOAL TINPLATES, TERNEPLATES, CANADA PLATES, SHEET LEAD, PIG LEAD, PIG TIN, TINSMITHS' SOLDER, WIPING SOLDER, SHEET ZINC, COPPER BARS, SCRAP ZINC, OAKUM, ETC.

Robert Ward & Co., Ltd.

Temple Building, Victoria.

THE BEST OF EVERYTHING IS WANTED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

FOR THIS REASON

Buchanan's Popular Scotch Whiskies

ARE ALWAYS IN DEMAND.

They Never Fail to Please the Taste of the Most Particular.

BUCHANAN'S RED SEAL, per bottle \$1.00
 BUCHANAN'S BLACK AND WHITE, per bottle \$1.25
 BUCHANAN'S ROYAL HOUSEHOLD, per bottle \$1.50
 BUCHANAN'S VERY OLD LIQUEUR, per bottle \$1.75

MAY BE HAD FROM ALL FIRST CLASS DEALERS.

NEW YEAR PRESENTS

Neckwear, newest novelties, just arrived. 75c. to \$2.50

English Motor Gloves, per pair \$3.50

Dent's Famous Gloves, per pair \$1.00 to \$2.50

Suspenders, in handsome boxes 75c. to \$3.50

Initial Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs.... 35c. to 75c.

Colored Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, very newest Parisian designs 75c. and \$1.00

Do not forget our Merchandise and Glove Certificates.

SEA & GOWEN'S

The Gentlemen's Store
 64 Government St.
 Victoria, B. C.

QUADRUPLETS.

Multiform Christmas Present of Vic-
 toria Woman to Her Husband.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24.—The Christ-
 mas present of Mrs. William Luck, of
 Roanoke, to her husband today, says
 a special to the News-Leader, was two
 boys and two girls, all doing well.

RUPTURE IN NAVAL LEAGUE.

Emperor William Will Not Interfere to
 Bring About Settlement.

Berlin, Dec. 24.—It would appear that
 Emperor William has declined to inter-
 fere in the internal quarrel which is
 threatening to disrupt the Naval
 League. According to dispatches re-
 ceived from Munich the Emperor has
 requested the branch of the league to
 ask those members who intended to
 resign to suspend action until after
 New Year's Day, when Prince Rupprecht
 of Bavaria is coming to Berlin to
 talk over the matter with His Ma-
 jesty at the New Year's reception.

ST. JOHN NOMINEE.

Order Issued For Arrest of Conserva-
 tive Candidate—Charged With
 Libel.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 24.—An order
 for the arrest of Alfred E. Clark, the
 opposition candidate in St. John county
 in the legislature, was issued yester-
 day at the instance of W. A. Quilton,
 steward of the Provincial hospital for
 nervous diseases, who alleges he was
 libelled in a statement made by Clark
 when accepting nomination.

CHICAGO EXPRESS IN COLLISION.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 24.—Chica-
 go express No. 7, leaving here at one
 o'clock this morning, collided with a
 yard engine at the west end of the
 yard. Both engines were damaged and
 Fireman Callahan of Sarnia, of the ex-
 press, was slightly injured. Five pas-
 sengers were slightly injured. The
 cause of the accident was supposed to
 be a misunderstanding of signals.

WALKED 430 MILES.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Peter Stintoff, a
 Dane, 39 years old, arrived here this
 morning after walking from the lake
 near Billing River, a distance of 430 miles.
 He slept out in boxcars. He seemed to
 be in good spirits after his trip. The
 journey took 24 days.

COFFIN MYSTERY.

London, Dec. 24.—Extraordinary pre-
 cautions are being taken to prevent
 tampering with the grave of T. C.
 Druce, which will be opened in the
 course of the next few days to prove
 whether or not it contains the body of
 Druce, or a roll of lead.

TIN TAG CLUE IN MURDER CASE

TWO SUSPECTED OF GRIM GREYNA CRIME

Circumstantial Evidence Points to Negroes Having Done to Death Fred Leclair.

Gretna, Dec. 24.—The preliminary
 trial of the men suspected of murder-
 ing Fred Leclair on Sunday night,
 and robbing his corpse and concealing
 the body in the river, commenced this
 morning. J. Brynjason state attorney
 from Peulbina is prosecuting and Dr.
 Brown, coroner from St. Thomas is as-
 sisting.

The prisoners are tramps, one a
 white man and the other a negro, R.
 T. Dugan. Circumstances point
 strongly to the colored man's guilt,
 and that of an unknown negro who
 was with him in Gretna on Sunday
 night, but who escaped the police in
 the round up following the discovery
 of the murder. Both of those negroes
 are known to have come to Gretna
 from Winnipeg, and Chief of Police
 Creighton in conversation with the
 authorities at Winnipeg by telephone
 over the long distance telephone, with
 a view of having the records of these
 two negroes carefully examined. Dugan
 has worked as a teamster for Al Smith,
 of Gretna. He gave the name of "Bob"
 and had been there a month. Nothing
 was known of his character.

It is said a negro answering the de-
 scription of the companion now in jail
 at Neche was released from the Stony
 Mountain penitentiary last week after
 serving two years for robbery south of
 Brandon, and he is now being looked
 up. He is said to have lived before
 coming to Canada at Grand Forks, and
 was forced to leave there by the po-
 lice.

The preliminary hearing revealed
 some startling circumstantial evidence
 against the negro prisoner, but appar-
 ently the white man is not connected
 with the crime, except perhaps indi-
 rectly. It developed that the negro
 purchased some tobacco of a peculiar
 brand in Gretna on Saturday. This
 was clearly established in the evidence.

The tin tag from a plug of tobacco was
 found between the point where Leclair
 was killed and where the body was
 thrust under the ice. It was preserved
 as the one link that might reveal the
 author of the crime. This bit of tin
 was similar to the tag on the plug of
 tobacco purchased in Gretna. A part
 of the tobacco on the prisoner was
 identified as similar to that bought by
 him at Gretna. The negro is appar-
 ently well versed in crime and the ap-
 pearances of police for he preserves a dis-
 creet silence as to his movements and
 past, merely disavowing all knowledge
 of the crime. He refused to give any
 detailed information as to his move-
 ments. The prisoner and his colored
 companion have been directly traced
 from Gretna to Neche, where they
 were seen on Sunday evening within an
 hour of the time Leclair is known to
 have been murdered.

The white prisoner had no money
 about him when found, but the negro
 had concealed in his shoe, two five
 dollar Canadian bills and one ten
 dollar American bill.

The examination was adjourned this
 afternoon, though the white prisoner
 will probably be released as he has
 mentioned several persons in the neigh-
 borhood with whom he claims to have
 been at the hour of the murder. If
 these verify his story he will be given
 his liberty. When arrested, the negro
 was not armed, though he appeared at
 first determined to resist. He pro-
 claims his innocence, but refuses to
 give his name.

MAY MEET IN DEBATE.

Hon. W. Pugsley Challenges R. L. Bor-
 den to Make Good Attack of Mem-
 ber of Opposition.

St. John, Dec. 23.—Hon. W. Pugsley,
 discussing the attacks made upon him
 by E. Kemp, Conservative member of par-
 liament for East Toronto, said it would
 have been out of place to refer to those
 matters in the debate on the reply to
 the speech from the throne. Mr. Kemp's re-
 marks were not such as were calculated
 to raise that member in the esteem of
 the House, and he (Pugsley) did not feel
 called upon to reply. Other members of
 the government had agreed with him that
 he had attacked the premier. Mr.
 Pugsley said he had made the charges
 publicly and with such minute detail
 that they could not be mistaken. His state-
 ment had not been denied by the leader
 of the opposition at the meeting in New
 Brunswick or Montreal, who were con-
 scientious of the facts. Whether R. L.
 Borden was ready to discuss the matter
 with him, either in parliament or else-
 where, Mr. Pugsley says he is ready to
 meet him in debate.

\$2,000,000 WANTED.

Toronto Baptist University Has Ap-
 proached John Rockefeller.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 24.—McMaster
 University (Methodist institution) may
 establish a medical department, and it
 is said negotiations are being carried
 on with John D. Rockefeller, to secure
 \$2,000,000 to aid in the purpose.

TO DREDGE FIRST NARROWS.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The department of
 public works have, at R. G. Macpherson's
 request, ordered a survey to be
 made of the First Narrows, preparatory
 to dredging the same and piling it
 safer for navigation.

TO EXCAVATE HERCULEANUM.

New York, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from
 Rome to the Times says the Italian
 government announces that the exca-
 vation of the buried city of Herculeanum
 will begin at once. The work will
 be carried out by the Italian govern-
 ment with Italian funds and the advice
 of eminent foreign archaeologists will
 be gratefully accepted.

WAS SHE POISONED?

Thamesville, Ont.—The wife of a
 prominent citizen of Thamesville
 was the heroine of a mysterious
 case which has just been successfully
 solved. About a year ago, Mrs. J. W.
 Dulong began to suffer with head-
 aches. There was no apparent cause
 for them. After trying the ordinary
 "headache remedies," and failing to
 get relief, Mrs. Dulong consulted sev-
 eral physicians, who pooh-hoed the
 idea of anything out of the ordinary
 and told her she "would be all right."
 Vague hints became rumors. Was
 Mrs. Dulong being poisoned? Yes, she
 was—and stranger of all, by herself.
 Not intentionally—nor with drugs—
 but nevertheless, she was slowly poisoning
 herself. Headaches are always a sign
 of blood poisoning. Bowels, skin and
 kidneys should rid the system of tissue
 waste. If one of these organs are weak
 or not acting properly, this waste stays
 in the system—is absorbed by the blood
 and irritates the nerves and makes
 the headaches.

"I have tried 'Fruit-a-lives' and
 found them splendid for headaches,"
 writes Mrs. Dulong after her recovery.
 "I feel so much better since I com-
 menced taking them. I think they are
 splendid medicine and" (note this) "I
 am recommending them to my friends."
 Everybody, who takes Fruit-a-lives, is
 grateful for the cures they affect. It
 is wonderful how quickly "Fruit-a-
 lives" give relief in all cases stomach,
 liver, kidney and bowel trouble. If you
 suffer, get a box to-day; 50c. 6 boxes
 for \$2.50. At your druggist or sent on
 order at special price. Fruit-a-lives Limited,
 Ottawa, Ont.

POWERS' TRIAL.

Howard Declares He Had Nothing to
 Do With Assassination of
 Governor Goebel.

Georgetown, Dec. 24.—James Howard
 took the stand this afternoon in the
 Powers' trial. He said that at the time
 Governor Goebel was shot he (Howard)
 was in the public room of the Board
 of Trade hotel at Frankfort. Howard
 said he did not know he was charged
 with the assassination until he saw in
 the newspapers that he had been in-
 dicted. He at once surrendered to the
 sheriff; since then he has not had a
 day's freedom. He declared that he
 had absolutely nothing to do with the
 assassination. Howard stated that he
 and Youtsey were in jail together at
 Frankfort. Before Youtsey made a
 confession, Youtsey said: "Howard, so
 far as I know, you are innocent of any
 connection with the Goebel assassina-
 tion, but Arthur Goebel is cruel and is
 willing to see the Kentucky river run
 with innocent blood."
 Howard was not cross-examined. The
 only question asked him being whether
 he had not been tried and convicted
 three times and his case appealed to
 the Supreme court.

TINNED VOICES.

Records of World Famous Singers Pre-
 served For Benefit of Posterity.

Paris, Dec. 24.—There was a unique
 ceremony this afternoon in the subter-
 ranean passages of the opera house.
 It consisted of depositing in a specially
 prepared vault a talking machine and
 a number of discs bearing records of
 the voices of the greatest singers of the
 twentieth century—Tarnagno, Caruso,
 Scotti, Plancon, Patti, Melba, Calvo and
 others are represented in the selection.
 The discs are in double boxes, each
 separated from the other.
 Neither light nor air can penetrate
 the coverings, and it is believed they
 can thus be preserved for a century. At
 the end of a hundred years they will
 be opened, and the people of that age
 will have the opportunity of hearing
 voices of this era, as well as seeing
 the talking machine as manufactured to-
 day.

TOWN ENVELOPED BY FIRE.

Boulder, Col., Dec. 24.—Prairie fires
 are burning in several places in the
 prairie near this city and the sur-
 rounding country; and are spreading
 rapidly before a high wind.

BIG HOUSES.

Kubelik Gives Satisfaction Wherever
 He Appears on His Tour.

Kubelik's present tour of America
 is marking the high tide of concert at-
 tendance, evidently, in this country. All
 records were broken at the great New
 York Hippodrome on the occasion of
 his first concert there early in Novem-
 ber, and flashlights of the immense
 audience were taken for the London
 Sketch and other great journals, while
 photographs of the box office state-
 ments showing the enormous profits
 were also taken and are being reprinted
 all over America. On account of the
 enormous capacity of the Hippodrome,
 popular prices were changed, and this
 statement shows the receipts to be
 \$5,676.

SETTLERS FOR OKANAGAN.

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—A special train of
 British immigrants, en route to the
 Okanagan Valley, passed through Win-
 nipeg on Tuesday.

ABOUT TOBACCO.

Improved Quality and Increased Out-
 put of Canadian Leaf.

Surprising advances have taken place
 during the last few years in the qual-
 ity and yield of tobacco in Canada.
 This is partly due to the fact that
 skilled experts in the growing and
 treatment of leaf tobacco have been at
 work instructing the farmer and sup-
 plying him with the best seeds to pro-
 duce leaf of high quality and improved
 flavor.

Excellent results have been achieved
 in the counties of Essex and Kent in
 Ontario, and that province now holds
 the record for acreage yield of burley
 tobacco, showing 125 lbs. as against
 the 87 lbs. of the nearest competitor,
 the State of Kentucky.

Moreover, in that district of Ontario,
 known as the "Garden of Canada," the
 largest yield of tobacco ever recorded
 has this year been obtained. It is on
 the farm of Mr. Seth Emmerson of
 Merces. From one of his fields, measur-
 ing two and a half acres, a crop was
 taken which totalled up to 6,143 lbs.

Press-smokers and chewers will
 doubtless show their appreciation of
 these facts by increased appreciation of
 Canadian Leaf, when properly
 grown and prepared.

WHEN BRITAIN SOUGHT GERMAN AID

Oversea Possessions See Far More of Foreign Warships Than Those Flying White Ensign

The Berlin correspondent of the Lon-
 don Standard sends particulars of an
 incident at Zanzibar which he says has
 made a considerable impression not
 only on the natives of that place, but
 also all along the coast far into the in-
 terior.

Some time ago, he writes, before the
 Sultan of Zanzibar left for England,
 the soldiers of the imperial bodyguard
 mutined, and for several days the Sul-
 tan himself was in imminent danger
 of death, or, at least, dethronement. In
 this predicament All bin Hamad ap-
 peared to the British consulate-general
 for assistance.

The vice-consul in charge was obliged
 to inform the Sultan that there was no
 British warship within hundreds of
 miles. However, recognizing the ur-
 gency of the case, he telegraphed to
 the captain of the German cruiser Bus-
 sard, then lying off Dar-es-Salaam, the
 capital of German East Africa, asking
 him to hasten to Zanzibar. The cap-
 tain hesitated to intervene in a British
 protectorate on his own responsibility,
 and cabled to Berlin for orders. The
 German admiralty referred the matter
 to the Emperor, who immediately or-
 dered that any assistance required by
 the British authorities at Zanzibar
 should be given with the least possible
 delay.

As the result, the Bussard proceeded
 at full speed to Zanzibar to restore or-
 der, and the British government, sub-
 sequently sent a cordial message of
 thanks to the German government for
 their friendly action at Zanzibar.

The whole proceeding, adds the cor-
 respondent, is somewhat humiliating to
 the greatest naval power in the
 world, which was driven to appeal for
 German aid in quelling a disturbance
 in a British protectorate, the native
 troops in which were commanded by a
 British officer.

Naval Opinion on Incident.

The incident that is recorded with
 some prominence by the Standard, in
 which German prestige in Africa was
 enhanced at the expense of Great Brit-
 ain, occurred, writes the Pall Mall
 special correspondent, in September, 1906.
 It was then that the Sultan of Zan-
 zibar's bodyguard mutinied, and an ap-
 peal was made in vain to the British
 consul-general for assistance. There
 was, in fact, no warship in the waters
 to protect our protectorate, and help
 had to be rendered by two small Ger-
 man non-protected cruisers, the Bus-
 sard and the Seeadler. Both the foreign
 office and the admiralty are well aware
 of the particulars of the incident, and
 they are also a matter of common
 knowledge in naval circles.

Two viewpoints expressed to-day by
 naval men with regard to the incident.
 The one agrees that it was humiliating
 to the greatest naval power in the
 world; but the other takes the line that
 however desirable it may be to have
 British warships at hand in case of
 emergency in every part of the globe,
 such a policy is quite impracticable.
 In this case it is pointed out that a
 cablegram could have been sent from
 Zanzibar to the Cape for a warship,
 and such a message would have met
 with a ready response; whilst, as for
 German cruisers that were on the scene,
 it is explained that they were vessels
 of only eleven hundred tons, much too
 small, of course, to have been of use if
 there had been any serious development
 of the mutiny.

At the same time the Zanzibar in-
 cident is only one of several that have
 occurred since the Radical government
 has been in power, and it must be con-
 fessed that there is some ground for
 the feeling of uneasiness that is caused
 by the knowledge that some, at least,
 of our colonies and protectorates see
 far more of foreign war vessels than
 of our own.

Working on a proposition to bring about
 peace with honor to the Federation, thus
 far Mr. Mahoney's efforts have been
 confined to conferences with the execu-
 tive board of the local miners' union, but
 to-day he is ready to confer with the
 mine owners. This privilege has, how-
 ever, been denied him thus far. It is in-
 timated that the first conference will
 be held on Thursday.

IN FAR NORTH.

Advantages of Lead Are Shown to Brit-
 ish Geographers.

Before the Royal Geographical Society
 in London last week Mr. H. Harrison
 read a paper entitled in Search of an Ar-
 ctic Continent. He gives a glowing ac-
 count of the part of the far-north which
 he traversed in a flat-bottomed boat. The
 country one passes through from Ath-
 abasca Landing down to the Arctic Red
 River is full of vegetation and a great
 power of natural gas comes out for miles
 along the river bank. It flows all ways
 were run on its high great waterway the
 benefits reaped would be great.

One of the three throats of the Cap-
 was presented by the Cesar Alexis in 1899
 by the Shah of Persia. It is entirely
 covered with thick plates of gold set with
 precious stones, alternating with plaques
 of ivory chisled in high relief.

GOLDFIELD CAMP.

Efforts to Bring About Understanding
 Between Miners and Owners.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 24.—If a com-
 promise of any nature is possible at this
 date between the mine owners' associa-
 tion and the Western Federation of Min-
 ers, it will be brought about through the
 efforts of Acting President Mahoney, of
 the Western Federation of Miners.

Next and day since his arrival here on
 Sunday last, Mr. Mahoney has been

PERFECT TEA

MUST BE USED FOR A PERFECTLY SATISFACTORY INFU-
 SION.

'SALADA'

TEA

IS THE ACME OF PERFECTION, BEING ALL PURE, DELIC-
 IOUS TEA, BLACK, MIXED, GREEN.
 Blue Label 40c., Red Label 50c.
 Lead Packets Only. And Gold Label 60c. per lb. At All Grocers

Old Year Closing Values

Are conspicuous all over this store. In Biscuits I have
 a very large and choice assortment. Particularly good
 are the new consignments of the famous makes of

JACOBS AND HUNTLEY & PALMER BISCUITS, per lb. 35c
 A nice variety of each.

W. O. WALLACE

Corner Yates and Douglas Streets.
 Phone 312 The Family Cash Grocery Phone 312

PRESENTS FOR XMAS

We are offering some splendid goods as USEFUL CHRIST-
 MAS PRESENTS.

BOYS' TOOL BOXES, CARPENTERS' TOOL BOXES,
 STANLEY PLANES. Selecting your own assortment of tools.
 The largest variety ever shown in the city 40c. to \$15.00 each

RABONES' ENGLISH RULES

Specially fine Boxwood and Ivory Rules. This line is complete
 and covers full variety 15c. to \$5.00 each

BOOKERS and I X L RAZORS, from \$1.00 to \$3.00
 WARD SAFETY RAZORS \$5.00
 IDEAL SAFETY RAZORS, \$2.50

I X L and Bokers' Pocket and Pen Knives, Hunting, Pruning
 and Budding Knives, etc., etc.

I X L TABLE CUTLERY, Carving Sets, etc. etc.

Call and inspect our enormous stock before purchasing.

E. G. PRIOR & CO.,

Limited Liability.
 Cor. Government and Johnson Sts. Victoria, B. C.

The NORTHERN Bank

DIVIDEND NO. 2.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of
 five per cent, per annum upon the Paid Up Capital Stock
 of this institution has been declared for the half year
 ending 31st December, 1907, and that the same will be
 payable at its Banking House in this City and at all of its
 Branches on and after the Second Day of January next
 to the shareholders of record of the Fifteenth Day of De-
 cember, 1907.

By order of the Board.
 J. W. de C. O'GRADY,
 General Manager
 Winnipeg, 25th November, 1907.

PATENTS

60 YEARS' EXPERIENCE

TRADE MARKS
 DESIGNS
 COPYRIGHTS &c.

Anyone sending a sketch and description may
 quickly ascertain our opinion free whether an
 invention is probably patentable. Communica-
 tions strictly confidential. Highest success
 guaranteed. Oldest agency for securing patents,
 and all other inventions, with full knowledge
 of the law, without charge in the
 Scientific American.

A Handbook of Inventions, Patents, Trademarks,
 Copyrights, etc., etc., is sent free. Address
 MUNN & Co., 361 Broadway, New York

SHOW CASES

We manufacture Up-to-Date Show
 Cases, Bank, Store, Hotel and Office Fix-
 tures, Wall Cases, Counters, Showings,
 Mantels, Desks, Art Grills and Mirrors.
 Order Furniture & Specialty.
 PHONE 312. 32-33 Johnson St.
 DICKSON & HOWES

ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES.

The Daily Times

Published daily (excepting Sunday) by THE TIMES PRINTING & PUBLISHING CO., LIMITED. JOHN NELSON, Managing Director.

SIGNIFICANCE OF BYE-ELECTIONS.

Let us consider—how long a time it is since we were told in all gravity that the course of the single straw of Colchester, N. S., was an infallible sign of the direction of the political winds? Of course the political unbeliever laughed at the deductions drawn from Colchester and pointed out that it had been since the consummation of the Canadian Confederation a Conservative seat, and had probably only been carried by a Liberal at the general election because the Conservative candidate, Mr. Gourlay, was a very weak man and his opponent an exceptionally strong one. There have been elections since Colchester. Shall we apply the same methods of deduction to them for the purpose of estimating the trend of political sentiment in the Dominion? If the system is fair in the one case, it cannot be anything but fair in the other. A few days ago a bye-election was held in Labelle, to fill the place left vacant by the retirement of Mr. Bourassa. The Conservative party looked upon Henri Bourassa as their strong ally, although he sometimes made very wise mouths in attempting to pronounce some of their economic "sibbols." They did not attempt to contest Labelle, which they manifestly ought to have done if they were anxious to prove to the public that the political tide was running strongly with them. They permitted the Liberal candidate to be returned by acclamation. Was this a sign of increasing decrepitude or of waxing strength? A seat in Ottawa was also vacant, due to the translation of Mr. Belcourt to the Senate. Here was a chance to prove the growing strength of Conservative sentiment right in the heart of Canada. Mr. Caron, the Liberal candidate, was elected by between three and four thousand of a majority. Ottawa had not hitherto been considered a Liberal stronghold. Does the case of Ottawa also indicate the trend of the political breeze? Centre York became vacant, also because of the removal of its late member to the upper chamber. Centre York is a part of the Tory stronghold of Toronto, although there is a sufficient leaven of agricultural sentiment there to make it an intelligent and reasonable constituency. Hon. Archie Campbell was acknowledged to have carried the seat because of his great personal popularity and somewhat exceptional ability. Centre York remains Liberal, although all the forces of the opposition were brought to bear in the hope of capturing it and holding it up as a great, moral lesson to the rest of the Dominion. What deduction can the intelligent observer of current political events draw from the result in these three constituencies but the obvious one that in the portions of the country where the Laurier government is strong it is increasing in strength, while in the sections where Conservative influence is supposed to be strongest it has not weakened in the slightest degree?

FEATHERED CHORISTERS.

In all candor it must be confessed that yesterday was not a day to inspire enthusiasm for outdoor exercises. At times the wind blew fiercely, driving flurries of rain which was by no means gentle into the face of the pedestrian bent upon working up an appetite for his Christmas dinner. Yet, although the weather bore no resemblance to that experienced in Victoria on a day in June, the spirits of the choir which has made itself quite at home, apparently, in the fields at the rear of the Jubilee Hospital, were not daunted one whit. Whether it was the spirit of Christmas that was upon them, or whether they realized by some mysterious promptings, as wild creatures which have no scientific apparatus for measuring the courses of the planets sometimes apparently do, that the sun had turned the corner and was coming back, bringing with him the season of song and of love and of housekeeping duties, the skylarks were cicling beneath the lowering, black clouds in an alien sky, singing their carols with a heartiness of voice and a fullness of tone which portend sweet music for all who care to listen when spring comes in due season. Now when these outwardly unattractive stranger, just outside of our city gates are heard tuning up in the very depth of a Vancouver Island winter's day, it may safely be assumed that they are in a fairly healthy condition mentally and physically. They are not as the swan, which is popularly and therefore erroneously, reputed to sing its sweetest song at the very moment of dissolution, or as the human poet, whose "best things" are inspired by soul tribulation. No; the skylarks are evidently of the opinion of every other sentient being who has had the fortune to visit these shores—that their lot has been cast, albeit possibly against their will, in a very desirable place indeed. They are doing well, and unless they spread themselves abroad

over the land more than they appear to be inclined at present to do, there will soon be a sharp demand for residential sites around the spot they have made their abiding place.

TROUBLES OF DESPOTISMS.

The Empress of China has told her hundreds of millions of subjects that if they but have patience they will be granted a constitution. The business of bestowing constitutions is becoming quite popular with despotic sovereigns. First the Czar said he would and did grant his people the right to govern themselves. In practice the scheme of his Majesty had not worked out quite satisfactorily, principally because the throne reserves the right to do certain things and more also to the Russians in case they refuse to govern themselves as he and his advisers think they ought to be governed. The bestowal of a constitution has cost many of the Moulkis and the superiors of the Moulkis who sympathize with popular aspirations their lives and their liberties. Consequently the price of liberty in Russia is going to be great tribulation, suffering and death. Liberty in countries where tyranny and oppression and spoliation have been the rule for centuries cannot be bought with a mere paper constitution. What is true of Russia applies to Persia also, whose people have lately been endowed with a paper constitution by the royal Shah. His Persian Majesty evidently thought his people were going to take their constitution and parliament too seriously—as something implying a political revolution—so the hereditary ruler has taken steps to set their minds right upon the subject. He has put bounds to his constitution and purposes proving that he is not bound by it to any greater extent than his arbitrary will dictates. But his predecessor in the very act of granting a constitution released forces which will continue to work for some of the consequences which will follow if anything happens in Persia; and that something the throne will not regard as precisely in harmony with the idea of the royal prerogative. The Chinese, who have been promised a constitution, are in many respects a slow moving people, as they are an eminently patient people. By and by, to use an expression exceedingly popular with them, they will want to know how their constitution is getting along and how soon it may be expected to come forth ready for active business. Although they do not appear to be greatly affected by political movements which affect them only extraneously, we who know them realize that they are subject, like the rest of mankind, to the influences of environment. They will soon demand a voice in the management of their vast empire, and when hundreds of millions of people demand reforms as with one voice more or less united, how long will the comparatively few of the ruling classes be in a position to effectively resist the thunder of such a grand chorus? A political earthquake appears to be pending in Asia, of which Russia is of course one of the principal powers.

The report presented at the annual meeting of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, published in another column of today's issue of the Times, ought to prove of great interest to all who have lately been, possibly, unduly impressed by reports of the financial depression throughout the United States and by the reflex action of such a depression upon business in Canada. The report of the directors of the bank proves that the past year has been a very profitable one. The total of the net earnings, including the balance brought forward from last year (\$34,256.25), was \$507,490.75, enabling the directors to declare a dividend to shareholders for the year of 8 per cent, which absorbed \$250,000 and left a balance to be carried forward of over \$257,000. The management of the Merchants' Bank mingles prudence with enterprise. It frankly confesses that the prospects for the coming year are not so expansive as had been the case in the past. The business of the country has been growing at a very rapid rate, and it may be that a period of retrenchment, due to the heavy in the United States chiefly, will be experienced. Whatever happens, the bank will be prepared. And our readers will agree with the statement that the first consideration for all institutions in which the trust of the people must be reposed is safety.

BARQUE'S LENGTHY VOYAGE.

The American four-masted barque Kenilworth, once on the overdue list, has had a very protracted voyage to this port from Philadelphia and, if her present rate of progress is maintained, should arrive here September 15, 1910, says a San Francisco dispatch. She has been 425 days in getting out on her voyage. Last Tuesday she started out to tackle the remaining two-thirds. On February 11th she put into Montevideo in a damaged condition, having met with several hurricanes, during which her sails were lost and her deck damaged. She left Montevideo on April 4th after undergoing repairs, but again encountered heavy weather which drove her back to Rio de Janeiro on September 4th in a badly battered condition. Since that date the Kenilworth has been repaired, and on Tuesday last she started in another attempt to reach this port.

FEW AMERICAN SHIPS.

In a report on the shipping of Hull, England, United States Consul Walter C. Hamm directs attention to the disappearance of American shipping at that port as follows: "The number of American ships which have entered the Humber river ports during the past seven years, there has been only one ship of American registry. This was the barque Howard from San Francisco, loaded with barley, which reached Hull in March, 1906."

In the years from 1885 to 1900, both inclusive at least one American ship a year arrived at the port of Hull, but in the seven and a half years from April 1900 to October, 1907, only the one ship of American registry has entered the Humber river. No more striking evidence than this probably can be given of the decadence of the American merchant marine. Regular lines of steamship run from Hull to New York and Boston. Another line to Galveston touches at Grimsby, the second port on the Humber river. Chance steamships also run frequently to Philadelphia, Norfolk, Savannah, New Orleans and Galveston. Not one of them, however, flies the American flag. The trade must be profitable or it would not be

Shipping

TANGO MARU IN PORT.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tango Maru reached quarantine last night after a pleasant trip from Yokohama and docked this morning at the outer wharf. For this port she had 96 Japanese, 1 Hindu, 9 Russians and 2 Chinese. The Russians decided to continue their journey to Seattle on the steamship, and did not land. For Seattle there were 154 Japanese and 4 Chinese.

The new immigration rule which provides that all immigrants landing in Canada up to the end of February must have \$50 does not go into effect until the 28th of this month. The Tango's 200 passengers required only \$25 to admit them, but there will probably be a large number of Japanese on the Aki Maru, which is due on January 10th, who will be rejected through lack of funds.

GREETINGS BY WIRELESS.

Constrained by duty to be absent from the festive boards of their homes and to spend Christmas day in wintry loneliness off the West Coast, Capt. Hackett and the officers of the D. G. R. Quadra yet found a way to convey expressions of felicity to their relatives and friends in Victoria yesterday.

The Dominion government wireless stations at Pachena Point, at which place the Quadra touched, and at Gonzales Hill—Victoria, together with the Pacific Coast steamship Governor, north bound from Frisco, made possible the transmission of the following messages:

Pachena, B. C., via S. S. Governor, to wireless station Victoria. Capt. Hackett and the officers of the Dominion government steamship Quadra wish their families and friends in Victoria a Merry Christmas, by wireless.

This message was received from Pachena by the Governor while the vessel was off the Oregon coast and was transmitted to Victoria. The recent storm having disorganized the telegraph service it was only possible to reach this city by means of the wireless service.

JAPS FROM HONOLULU.

"Another effort is to be made to divert Japanese labor from the coast to Canada," says the Hawaiian Gazette, Honolulu. "A new scheme is being formulated to this end, and a steamer is slated on the best of authority, has been chartered, to leave here in January."

The same people are engineering this scheme who chartered the Kumeroa for their arrival here with Spaniards, and took the several hundred Japanese to Vancouver, whose experiences with show money and in-landing were published all over the world. The plans for this new exodus are being exploited more or less carefully and quietly among the Japanese.

The name of one Horiechi appears at the head of the enterprise, although among the Japanese it is conjectured that Maruyama, Charles F. Chillingworth's Japanese factotum, is at the bottom of the management and arrangement for the scheme. The same hotels and hotelkeepers who were in the Kumeroa scheme are in this. The names are as follows: Higoya, Sakakaya, Shinshuya, Kimamoto, Onomichi, Chikushika, Kyushuya, Ohonochiya, Komatsuya, Asahika, Fukukaya.

"All the reports from British Columbia show that conditions so far as the Japanese are concerned are bad. It is winter there, and many industries are stopped. So well known are these facts that undoubtedly the Japanese consul general here and all the Japanese papers will oppose the scheme to the extent of their ability."

AMERICA'S PINEST YACHT.

According to a dispatch from New York C. K. G. Billing's new tugboat yacht Vanadis, which is being built at Ramsgate & Ferguson's yard at Leith, Scotland, will be completed and ready for delivery in the middle of February.

COAST CHARTER MARKET.

Another reduction has taken place during the week in the grain freight market. One spot steamer at San Francisco has been taken at a reported figure of 20s, but an additional one was taken at the same time at 28s 9d, together with a sailer (to arrive) at the same figure, 28s 9d. The San Francisco Daily Commercial News in its weekly review of the coast charter market.

The disengaged tonnage on the coast not heavy a week ago, has dwindled to very small proportions now, but despite this fact the tendency of rates is toward further weakness.

The falling in the lumber freight market is distinctly easier. One steamer was fixed in Australia during the week for sound loading to Sydney at 7s 8d, or 2s 6d below the last previous fixture made several weeks ago. There has been considerable activity on West Coast account during the last few days: 47s-6d has been reported to C. A. and 50s has been done to Antofagasta. To China 36s 3d, steam, and 37s 6d, sail, has been done. The rate from Portland to Panama is quoted at about 81, and to Manila at about 35s. Puget Sound to Junk Bay, general, has been done at \$3.50 a reduction of 25c.

The U. S. government has awarded to Olson & Mahoney a contract for 4,576,822 feet of lumber at \$161.137, delivered at La Roca.

Offshore rates are quoted approximately as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 7s 6d; to Mel-bourne or Adelaide, 35s-37s 6d; to Port Pirie, 35s 3d-37s 6d; to Fremantle, 35s-37s 6d; to Japan ports (steamers), 35s 3d, (sail), 37s 6d; to direct nitrate port, 46s 2d-50s. Valparaiso for orders, 47s-48s-50s-52s-6d less to a direct port, to South Africa port, 55s 8d; to United Kingdom or continent, 56s 3d-57s 6d; Guyanas, 52s.

Continental lumber freights are nominally \$4.25 to this port and \$5.65-25 South. The government is still taking steamers for coal from the Atlantic range to the Pacific, the latest fixture being on the basis of \$5.70. San Francisco discharge: Liverpool mail advices report nitrate rates, firm, up to 29s 7½d having been paid for December loading. Tyne to San Francisco has been done at 18s, 1,000 tons deadweight general, balance coke, at 22s.

Wedell, Turner & Co.'s Australian freight report under date of London, December 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1907. Australia and Victoria—There is an inquiry for a steamer for wheat to United Kingdom continent at 25s. New South Wales—Sydney—Steamer fixed for coal to San Francisco at 20s; also one to Colombo or Bombay at 13s. January steamer wanted for the homeward voyage on time wanted: Newcastle—Sydney—Africa for one voyage, delivery, Africa, at 2s 7d, with 20 days' coal and hire. Coal chartering is at present at a standstill owing to the difficulty in arranging steamers.

FISHERMEN IN TERRIBLE PLIGHT.

A story of terrible suffering was told at Grimsby recently, when the steamer Pointer brought from Iceland the skipper and five fishermen, part of the crew of the Grimsby trawler Fremont, which stranded amid fog and snow on the south coast of Iceland on November 29th.

Skipper Dixon stated that after the crew had reached the shore they made an attempt to find their way through the labyrinth of swamps and mud which lay before them, repeatedly escaping miraculously from being engulfed in the mud. The small party plunged until at length they sank exhausted on a small hillock.

Meantime from neighboring mountains peasants had deserted the stranded vessel, and saddling ponies, were hurrying through rivers and swampy deserts to the shore. They arrived before the height of tide, and found the hillock on which the fishermen were huddled together for warmth, entirely surrounded by incoming seas.

So exhausted and frostbitten were the men that it was with difficulty they were mounted on the ponies and conducted by their rescuers to a farm several miles away at Brunasand, where every kindness was shown them.

SEAMEN LIVED ON LIZARDS.

With a tale of hardship and privation that adds another chapter to the romance of the seas, Mate Donald Morrison, of the long-lost barque Alexander Quebec, arrived at his home in Southampton, L. I., in time for Christmas, says a New York message. The barque was wrecked in the Pacific near the equator and the crew put off in two boats, in which was Mate Morrison, reached an uninhabited island, where he and four others remained for five months until they were rescued by a sloop manned by the sailors who had put off from the barque in the other boat, and who finally reached the mainland. During this time they lived on turtles and lizards, and all the water they had was from a small blackish spring.

WHALE CATCHES FALL OFF.

The steamship Otter arrived in port on Tuesday night from Ladysmith, bringing coal for the C. P. R. wharf. The Otter brought down from Page's lagoon whaling station to Vancouver a shipment of 400 barrels of oil, to be taken to Glasgow on the Holt liner Cyclops when she sails in January.

The Otter reported that the whale catch in the Gulf of Georgia has fallen off to an average of one mammal a day, and the St. Lawrence is now hunting alone. Between Friday and Monday night four whales were brought into the station. The company expects to make its best catches in February, when more whales are generally to be seen in the inside waters.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN SAILS.

R. M. S. Empress of Japan sailed on Tuesday night for Hongkong via way ports, cutting 55 Chinese who are returning to China to celebrate the new year. The latter 56 embarked at the outer wharf here. The liner carried a cargo of general freight, in all about 1,550 tons.

LIGHT PASSENGER LIST.

After a voyage during which she passed through fair weather, the steamship Empress of Japan, under the command of the Captain, reached the station on Tuesday evening. The company expects to make its best catches in February, when more whales are generally to be seen in the inside waters.

Everything That Is New and Correct in Furniture to Be Found Here at Lowest Prices

IT IS INDEED GRATIFYING for a purchaser to make collections from a splendid assortment like ours. This showing includes every article that has the bloom of newness and the stamp of individuality, and if you are seeking new Furniture don't be satisfied until you have visited our Furniture Department, Third Floor, and we specially call your attention to our showing of fine Upholstered Furniture which we are sure will interest you, while our prices are such that it means money in your pocket to purchase Furniture here.

- BUFFET, \$30.00. BUFFET, made of solid quarter cut oak, finely finished, contains 2 small drawers and one large one, double cupboard, bevel plate shaped mirror at back, nicely carved with shaped legs. Price \$30.00. BUFFET, \$35.00. BUFFET, made of solid quarter cut oak, very flaky in design, nicely finished, contains one double wide cupboard with 2 small drawers at each side and one large drawer at bottom, polished brass mountings, has very nice shaped bevel plate mirror at back and shaped legs. Price \$35.00.

Our showing of upholstered COUCHES is indeed comprehensive, and includes the best as well as the medium grades, and to those contemplating buying Furniture of this description we suggest that you take advantage of this now.

- COUCH, \$42.50. Handsome weathered oak couch, mission style, with box cushions, covered in real leather. Price \$42.50. COUCH, \$28.00. Couch, upholstered in tufted Pantasote, extra strong frame, with spring edge. Price \$28.00.

Shoes Marked at Prices That Touch Your Purse Lightly

OUR SHOWING OF MEN'S FOOTWEAR for wet weather is complete in every detail, and when buying a pair of shoes here you may rest assured that you are getting the best possible value for the money expended. It is a hobby with us to see that everybody leaves this store satisfied with what they get. This is true in every respect when purchasing Footwear in our popular Shoe Department.

- MEN'S VELOUR C A L F BLUCHER LACE BOOTS, well sole. Per pair \$4.50. MEN'S BOX CALF BLUCHER CUT LACE BOOTS, well sole, waterproof soles. \$5.00. MEN'S TAN CHROME CALF LACE BOOTS, Blucher cut, waterproof soles and uppers. \$7.00. MEN'S BOX CALF LACE BOOTS, leather lined, heavy soles. Per pair \$3.50. MEN'S OILGRAINED LOG-GER'S BOOTS, Per pair \$4.00. BOYS' VELOUR C A L F BLUCHER CUT LACE BOOTS, well sole. Per pair \$3.00. BOYS' VELOUR C A L F LACE BOOTS, dull matt kid top, well sole. Per pair \$2.50. BOYS' HEAVY BOX CALF LACE BOOTS, waterproof, sole welted. Per pair \$3.50. BOYS' OIL GRAINED LACE BOOTS, standard screw bottom, heavy winter weight sole. Per pair \$1.75. WOMEN'S BOX CALF LACE BOOTS, well sole. Per pair \$3.00. WOMEN'S CALF LACE BOOTS, heavy soles. Per pair \$2.50. WOMEN'S PATENT CALF BUTTON BOOTS, well soles. Per pair \$4.00. WOMEN'S CORDOVAN LACE BOOTS, Blucher cut, well sole. Per pair \$6.00. WOMEN'S KID BLUCHER LACE BOOTS, low heels, medium weight sole. \$3.50.

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

A Remarkable Case!

Victoria Boy Healed of Appendicitis. HARRY ELY regains health through the original method used by the Healer, EWD. OLNEY. Harry, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ely, of 165 Fairfield Road, is the happy boy, who once again will take up his studies in a public school of the city. For three weeks the boy had been in excruciating pain from the deadly disease of appendicitis and in that condition Mrs. Ely took him to the Healer, Ewd. Olney as the only means of escape from an operation. After twenty minutes' with the healer, the boy emerged from the office, entirely healed and the family have nothing but praise for Mr. Olney. Any one wishing to know more of the case will obtain full information by applying at 105 Fairfield Road or by visiting the healer in his office in the VERNON BLOCK, corner Douglas and View streets.

EDW. OLNEY. The steamship Empress of Japan sailed on Tuesday night for Hongkong via way ports, cutting 55 Chinese who are returning to China to celebrate the new year. The latter 56 embarked at the outer wharf here. The liner carried a cargo of general freight, in all about 1,550 tons.

MARINE NOTES. The steamship Empress of Japan sailed for Seattle and way ports last night. The Holt liner Kumera occupied 29 days in making the trip from this port to Yokohama, where she arrived on Sunday. Bad weather made the vessel's progress exceptionally slow, the passage being six days longer than the regular time. Bound for Liverpool via way ports, the Holt liner Oana sailed yesterday from Tacoma. She did not call at this port. The Queen City left last evening for Hardy Bay and way ports, on the east coast.

DRUGS



CHEMICALS YOUR HEALTH Should have your careful attention at all times.

CYRUS H. BOWES CHEMIST Gov't. St., Near Yates St. VICTORIA, B. C.

BEGIN THE NEW YEAR BY OWNING YOUR OWN HOME. Corner Lot \$300 Cash P. R. BROWN, LTD.

THE CAREFUL MAN

Forgets to carry loose bills in his clothes around Christmas week; but the careful man is always particular about what he drinks; at his club or hotel he never forgets to order

LEMP'S BEER

Because it has that superiority over other beers, tangible to the taste, but difficult to define. "Lemp's" has a sparkle, flavor and vim all its own.

PITHER & LEISER Sole Agents, Cor. Fort and Wharf Sts.

THE SYSTEM BUILDING TONIC BEEF, IRON AND WINE \$1.00 a Bottle

TOY ANIMALS. Cows, Horses, Dogs, Cats, Sheep, Bears, Monkeys, etc.



W. WILBY, 1319 Douglas St.

THE MAN BEHIND THE BANK ROLL. The man with a little ready cash should buy VICTORIA PROPERTY just now.

L. U. CONYERS & CO. 18 VIEW STREET. Phone 1383. Insurance. Money to Loan. Real Estate.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF. Hats cut in half at the Elite millinery.

YULETIDE Deaville, Sons & Co. XMAS FRUITS, fresh and dried; MINCE MEAT, CHOCOLATES, CANDIES, NUTS, etc., etc., all ready to go. Phone 234.

THE CAREFUL MAN. Forgets to carry loose bills in his clothes around Christmas week; but the careful man is always particular about what he drinks; at his club or hotel he never forgets to order

LEMP'S BEER. Because it has that superiority over other beers, tangible to the taste, but difficult to define. "Lemp's" has a sparkle, flavor and vim all its own.

PITHER & LEISER. Sole Agents, Cor. Fort and Wharf Sts.

THE SYSTEM BUILDING TONIC BEEF, IRON AND WINE \$1.00 a Bottle

TOY ANIMALS. Cows, Horses, Dogs, Cats, Sheep, Bears, Monkeys, etc.

W. WILBY, 1319 Douglas St.

DIRECT FROM FRANCE Unfermented (Mas-de-la-Ville) Grape Wine, guaranteed absolutely non-alcoholic. Just the Wine for your Christmas Dinner.

FINCH & FINCH BOGUS CHEQUES WERE PASSED HERE JUST RECEIVED A Fresh Shipment of Men's Overcoats IN MANY DIFFERENT STYLES.

On Friday afternoon, January 24th, the annual Christmas tree of the Protestant Orphans' Home will be held. All friends are cordially invited to attend.

The funeral is taking place this afternoon of Ernest Jepsen, infant son of Mr. Jepsen, 321 Quebec street. The death took place yesterday, Christmas Day, Rev. T. W. Gladstone officiating.

On Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m. the funeral of the late Miss Cora Gertrude John took place from the family home at Saanichton. Rev. J. W. Flinton, of the Saanichton church, officiated.

G. D. Kumar acknowledges the following donations from citizens in aid of the Hindus in the city: One blanket from Mrs. Blackwood; three large and four small bags of flour from Watson & McGregor; \$1.50 from a friend through the Y. M. C. A. This with the \$1 already acknowledged makes \$8.50 in cash.

The wedding was celebrated last evening at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's father, Hereward street, of Miss Mary E. McLain to Mr. C. F. McGregor, of Fort Francis, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Christopher Burnett, the bride being given away by her father. The bridesmaid was Miss Minnie Beattie, while Mr. Allan McLain, brother of the bride acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. McLain have gone to Vancouver en route for a tour of the coast cities.

The Manitoba Free Press has issued this year another of the unique souvenirs which have been sent far and wide by that enterprising newspaper for the last seven years. This year's souvenir is a small oak barrel filled with Peace River flour, packed at the Vermilion mills, 400 miles south of the Arctic circle. The flour is intended to illustrate the resources of Canada's Northwest, but incidentally it tells as well of the fertility of resources of Winnipeg's big daily.

CLEVER SCROLL WORK. Alex. Semple, of Victoria West, Has Made Very Ingenious Clock.

Alex. Semple, of Victoria, has in his possession two most beautiful pieces of wood work in which he takes especial pride. Both are his own handiwork, and are splendid examples of scroll saw work.

The first is a parlor cabinet 5 ft. 4 in. high, 37 in. wide, made of two Australian woods, beech and rosewood. The fret work design is exceedingly pretty, and is greatly enhanced by the various figures, inlaid on the panels. The base has three drawers, above which are cupboards and shelves of various sizes. The whole has a very pretty effect, and the difference in the color of the two woods, used in the construction, is well brought out. But the article that catches the visitor's eye is an elaborate eight-day clock, called "The New Apostle Clock." This stands 24 in. high and is 21 in. wide and 10 in. deep, and of exquisite design. As it stands complete it represents an enormous amount of painstaking labor, and proves beyond a doubt that Mr. Semple has special aptitude for this kind of work. In the twin-towers are two bells which strike the chimes as the clock marks the hour. Each hour and half hour a tune is played, and while the music is ringing pleasantly in the ears an electric light within shows up to perfection the beautiful windows of this miniature church; and from a doorway at the base the twelve apostles march in order, a tiny electric bulb showing them the way back into their room. The very beautiful design of the clock cannot be described, it must be seen to be appreciated. The wood from which the clock was made also came from Australia.

Mr. Semple treated his friends to some Christmas cards made of scroll saw work, and these again proved his ability to handle the saw in a masterly manner. Those who were the fortunate recipients of these neat tokens of friendship prize this Christmas gift very highly. Mr. Semple hopes before long to have a collection of this work that will be second to none.

Twenty per cent discount at W. H. Pennock's, 624 Y. St. He is going out of business. Buy your Xmas present here and save money.

THE QUESTION OF JAMES BAY DUMP Conference Held With Dr. Fagan-- Subject Will Again be Considered by Officials

As a result of a conference between the city board of health and Dr. Fagan, secretary of the provincial health department, Tuesday night, it was decided to have Dr. Robertson and the city engineer co-operate with Dr. Fagan to treat the whole question of the dump on James Bay flats to a rigid inquiry.

The spread of bacteria was the doctor's prediction if things on the flat were left just as they were. He quoted numerous authorities to prove his contentions that the dump was a menace to the health of the community. He declared that all kinds of garbage, including night soil, has been deposited on the flats. From his own knowledge, he knew the character of the material put there, and on more than one occasion he had seen loads of filth taken direct from Chinatown. He also contended that Dr. Robertson had admitted tracing a case of infectious disease to the conditions at the flats.

Dr. Robertson then asked for leave to make a statement. He declared that the nature of the refuse deposited on the James Bay flats was such that he could hardly see how bacteria could thrive in it. There had been of old a quantity of stuff, tin cans and boxes, deposited at the dump, but no organic matter. There had also been some rotten fruit and a load of rotten fish, but that was some time ago.

Regarding the question of the flats being a menace, he stated he was not an authority, he only knew what his common sense told him. How were the flats contaminated and with what material, as far as he knew, the flats had not been contaminated by sewage. The composition of the material in the dump allowed a free circulation of oxygen. Dr. Robertson quoted from authorities to show that his contention was correct. He claimed that the free admittance of sunlight and air effectually killed the bacteria. He reiterated his opinion expressed before that while the flats might have been a nuisance it was no menace to the public health. Street soil had been placed upon the dump as a covering, but he did not think that such was anything but a benefit.

Ald. Henderson declared that the city had allowed nothing but clean rubbish to be placed upon the flats of late. The great need was an incinerator, which he hoped to see before long. On motion of Ald. Fell, seconded by Ald. Meaton, it was decided that the city engineer and the city health officer should meet with Dr. Fagan and go over the whole question of the city dump.

After the dump question was disposed of, Dr. Fagan took up the question of remarks which the Mayor had made relative to himself. Mayor Morley then asked: "Have you at any time since you brought the anti-tuberculosis campaign before this council said anything against me as Mayor?" Ald. second, did you not take Ald. Hall to one of the society's meetings and introduce him as the future mayor of Victoria?" Dr. Fagan declared he had not said anything against the Mayor, and to the second question he declared that he had said at the meeting that Dr. Hall was a candidate for mayor, and had asked him his opinion of the society's work in its fight against tuberculosis. His Worship suggested that as the head of the city he should have been asked to attend the meeting. The meeting then adjourned.

INFORMATION SOUGHT. Magistrate Jay Will Hear All About the Fischer-Barnswell Fight.

As an aftermath of the exciting fistic contest at Goldstream a week ago yesterday, the provincial police have issued summonses against the participants, James Barnswell and Oliver Fischer. The latter so far cannot be located and is believed to have taken a trip to Seattle. Barnswell was somewhat damaged in the bout and is still suffering from the beating he received. The sequel will be enacted before Magistrate Jay in the provincial police court to-morrow, when several of the spectators will tell how the men exchanged hooks, jabs and uppercuts and of the negro's defeat at the hands of Fischer.

The members of the local police force were not forgotten by their many friends on Christmas. On Tuesday many messages of good will were telephoned to the station and many gifts were sent. Among those who contributed to the good cheer of the stalwarts were the following: W. B. Smith, cigars; Queen's hotel, cigars; Charles Hayward, cigars; Ald. Henderson, cigars; I. Lancaster, of the Army & Navy Clothing store, cigars; George Lund, cigars; H. Courtney, cigars; H. Dallas Helmcken, cigars, and H. Stadhaagen who sent to each member of the force a pair of Yukon gold cuff links. The police wish to thank their friends for the gifts which are much appreciated.

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS and FRIENDS F. P. WATSON Phone 448. GROCERIES, 623 Yates St.



BE WISE Do Not Forget That the winter months are at hand and you should be prepared with a Good Overcoat and a Warm Suit of Clothes. We can make to your order a SUIT or OVERCOAT FROM \$15.00 TO \$30.00. Which is worth twice the money at other stores. Wide Awake Tailoring Co. 543 JOHNSON STREET.

Triumphant Banner MARCH AND TWO-STEP BY E. T. PAULL. Price 35c. Hear it played at Fletcher Bros. 93 GOVERNMENT ST.

Building Lots FOR SALE Houses Built ON THE INSTALMENT PLAN. D. H. Bale CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER. Phone 1144.

FRANK J. ARMSTRONG VIOLINIST Graduate of Leipzig Conservatory of Music. Private pupil of Hans Becker. Will receive pupils at 521 Michigan St. Telephone A245.

Basket Ball XMAS NIGHT FIRST GAME INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE SERIES Drill Hall, 8 p. m. TWO BIG GAMES & BAND CONCERT Fifth Regiment vs. Y.M.C.A. (Int.) Vancouver vs. Victoria Y.M.C.A. Admission 5c.

STOP! AT THE CORNER OF FORT AND BLANCK HARD STREETS AND BUY YOUR GROCERIES Dicks & Bloomquist

Edison Records For January. PRICE 40 CENTS. Now on sale. M. W. Waitt & Co. LIMITED 1004 GOVERNMENT ST.

University School FOR BOYS VICTORIA, B. C. PRINCIPALS Rev. J. W. BOLTON, M. A., Cantab C. BARNACLE, Esq., London Univ. Assisted by C. E. Falkner, Esq., B. A. (Oxford), and E. Cartwright, Esq., Jesus College (Cambridge). Excellent accommodation for boarders, chemical laboratory, manual training, football, cricket and military drill. Boys prepared for the universities, Kingston, R. M. C. the professions and commercial life. UPPER SCHOOL—Oak Bay—Avenue, corner Richmond road. LOWER SCHOOL—Rockland Avenue, adjoining Government House. The Easter term will commence on Monday, January 6th, 1908. Apply REV. W. W. BOLTON, Phone 123.

XMAS AFTER EFFECTS AFTER THE FEAST SOMETIMES COMES THE "DOSE."

Some of the good, old-fashioned recipes are worth twice as much as the new fangled remedies that lose half their virtue in trying to be made to taste nice. In the compounding of your favorite recipes, we invariably employ "first quality" ingredients.

PRESCRIPTIONS Filled by Us CAN BE DEPENDED UPON. Every prescription is checked over a second time to prevent the slightest chance of error. LOWEST PRICES. TERRY & MARETT The Prescription Dispensary, Cor. Fort and Douglas Sts.

PORTRAIT IN OIL OF DR. J. C. DAVIE Was Presented to the Royal Jubilee Hospital Yesterday Afternoon by Medical Society.

As a tribute to his efforts in advocating the inclusion of the Jubilee Hospital and for his untiring efforts in the cause of the medical profession of the city, the Victoria Medical Society yesterday presented a striking oil painting of Dr. J. C. Davie to the Jubilee hospital.

This action was decided on some months since, when C. S. Hatch, the Winnipeg artist was commissioned to undertake the task. Mr. Hatch's success in his portrait of Hon. Richard McBride was the cause of his selection, and the result is not only a lifelike likeness of Victoria's premier doctor, but a work of art. The presentation was made by Dr. Ernest Hall, secretary of the society, and already arrangements have been made for the hanging of the painting in the main hall of the hospital.

Dr. Davie, who is one of the oldest members of the Medical Society, is now in the south seeking health. The reputation of Dr. Davie as a surgeon extends far beyond the city and in the ranks of the medical profession he was sought for his kindly advice and willing help. He was regarded as the father of the society in the city and has often occupied the presidential chair.

It is his intention to return to Victoria in the spring.

WIN FOR ESQUIMALT. Three Goals to Nil Result of Game Against H. M. S. Egeria.

Despite the stormy weather Christmas morning the Esquimalt and Egeria teams lined up for their league game, Egeria playing one man short. Both teams were unwilling to play, claiming the grounds were not in good condition. Referee Brown, however, was inexorable, having inspected them previously and declared them playable. While the ground was wet and soggy it was not as greasy and slippery as the Saturday before and the players were better able to keep their feet than on many other occasions. The play was not of a first-class order, but was a very even game during the first half, although Esquimalt managed to score from a scrumman in front of goal. Egeria badly missed their crack back Dunn. In the second half Esquimalt was continually off side on account of the Egeria playing the one back game which the forwards of the Esquimalt team did not seem to comprehend. After about fifteen minutes' play in this half, Esquimalt again scored off side, being claimed, but not allowed. At this juncture two of the Egeria players left the field, leaving only eight men, but in spite of this handicap Esquimalt only managed to add one more goal and quite a number of times Egeria was on the point of scoring. Had these men remained, the result might have been a very close game. Instead of a defeat, Esquimalt have now completed their Victoria District League games with 18 points to their credit which is not likely to land them in second place.

Prices That Gladden Careful New Year's Buyers

IF YOU WANT TO GIVE a New Year's Gift give a good one—a present that will give the receiver permanent pleasure—

Challoner & Mitchell Diamond Merchants and Silversmiths, GOVERNMENT ST.

Victoria THEATRE

MONDAY, DEC. 30th. HENRY B. HARRIS PRESENTS THE GREATEST PLAY OF THE CENTURY The Lion and the Mouse BY CHARLES KLEIN.

PANTAGES THEATRE

Week Commencing Dec. 23, 1907. DAVIS AND WALKER—The Greatest Colored Troupe of Entertainers in Existence. ANNIE MOORE—The Clever Southee and Quick Change Artist.

THE NEW GRAND

Week 23rd December. MAMMOTH CHRISTMAS BILL. AMEEN ABU HAMED TROUPE OF ARABS. LIZZIE JEFFERSON EVANS AND LLOYD. GRAY AND GRAHAM. THOS. J. PRICE, SONG ILLUSTRATOR.

AT THE RINK

XMAS DAY. Come and try the floor since it has been cleaned and made white. You can skate the following sessions: 10 to 12 a. m.; 7 to 10 p. m.; 4.30 to 6.30 p. m.; 7.45 to 10 p. m.; 10 to 12 p. m.

FRANK MELLOR PAINTER & DECORATOR

Phone 1664 901 Yates St.

Wilkerson & Brown FLORISTS AND GARDENERS

Begin to announce to their patrons that having opened up larger green house, are now in a better position than ever to cater to the public.

1118 YATES STREET Phone 4347

Buy the Times

PROPOSED BOATING CLUB FOR OAK BAY

Committee of the Municipal Council Will Consider the Proposal on Saturday.

The question of the granting of concessions to a boating club who have formed themselves into a company will come up for consideration at the meeting of the bridges, roads, and sewers committee of the Oak Bay council.

At a meeting of the council held recently, Alderman Newton stated that, had the application come from a business corporation whose object was to make money, there might have been some valid objection to the proposal.

Should the club be given the use of the foreshore, as suggested, they could be compelled to provide in connection therewith a public landing stage, and to provide boats at a certain price per hour.

Sure Cure For Sciatica

Sciatica is really inflammation of the sciatic nerve, the largest nerve in the body.

The pain is the cry of the nerves for more food—for richer, redder blood.

No tonic so quickly fortifies the muscular system, imparts such strength, such endurance and vigor.

Any traces of Uric Acid and rheumatic poison are quickly driven out by Ferrone.

No bulider of nerve force is more powerful.

It may not be generally known that Fanny Crosby, now spoken of only as a hymn writer, used to drop into week-day verse, supplying words for songs more popular in their day than are any of the new things heard by music lovers of these later times.

The shadow of a great rock, by William Lighton (12), is a story of early pioneer, or rather, pathfinder days of the Middle Western States.

"No Friend Like Sister," by Rosa Nouchette Carey (13), is pleasantly written, and a nice wholesome little tale.

"Chippin' Borough," (14), is in Stanley Weyman's own inimitable style. The story is good and worth reading.

"A Country Squire," by George Manville Fenn, an account of the mental howls of a rural squire, and his counter plots, mystery and trouble.

"The Wheel," A book of beginnings, by M. Truhaft, truly quite an out of the way account of a duke and an eccentric and a thoroughly nice girl.

"My Lady Nan," by Bessie Dill, full of romance, a pretty love tale.

"Amelia," by Graham Hope, a royal love story, cleverly written, and of quite human interest.

"All Moonshine," by Richard Whitting, a mildly imaginative yarn.

1. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 2. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 3. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 4. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 5. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 6. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 7. Oxford University Press, Henry

By Book Post

One does not need to go far afield in search of Christmas books. There is an embarrass de riches from the Canadian publishing houses.

G. F. P. Conybeare's Lyrics From the West (1), a dainty little gift book is of especial interest to us. His "Indian Sunset" is a noble conception.

"The Last Robin," by Ethelwyn Wetherald, (2) is in a beautiful edition. Everyone knows the fine poetic work of this gifted Canadian girl.

Or, later, fragrant with the mites of sweet Will roses flushing on the summer heat.

Still another charming gift book is by the well-loved writer Jean Blewett. The Conflowers and other poems (3).

A Hymn of Empire, by F. G. Scott (5) is of a higher order of poetry than the others mentioned. Here is a wee verse:

In the star-depths of children's eyes, Where burns the light of truth, I see, reflected from the skies, God's own eternal truth.

Songs of a Sourdough (6) is by Robert W. Service and no doubt known to the Arctic Brotherhood and many others.

"Knights Who Fought the Dragon," by Edwin Leslie (8), is a story of China, full of tragedy and horror.

"The Shadow of a Great Rock," by William Lighton (12), is a story of early pioneer, or rather, pathfinder days of the Middle Western States.

"No Friend Like Sister," by Rosa Nouchette Carey (13), is pleasantly written, and a nice wholesome little tale.

"Chippin' Borough," (14), is in Stanley Weyman's own inimitable style. The story is good and worth reading.

"A Country Squire," by George Manville Fenn, an account of the mental howls of a rural squire, and his counter plots, mystery and trouble.

"The Wheel," A book of beginnings, by M. Truhaft, truly quite an out of the way account of a duke and an eccentric and a thoroughly nice girl.

"My Lady Nan," by Bessie Dill, full of romance, a pretty love tale.

"Amelia," by Graham Hope, a royal love story, cleverly written, and of quite human interest.

"All Moonshine," by Richard Whitting, a mildly imaginative yarn.

1. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 2. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 3. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 4. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 5. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 6. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, Cloth. 7. Oxford University Press, Henry

them masterfully to the coincident working out of the plot.

A somewhat similar tale is "The Undertow," by Robert B. Knowles, (18) the well-remembered author of "St. Cuthberts."

Wilfrid Campbell's romance, "Tan of the Orcaides, (19), is indeed rich in all that makes for romantic fiction.

"Gulf Linkum," by another Canadian, A. P. McKishnie, (21), is a series of pictures of life in a Canadian village.

Other gift books I can only enumerate:

"Quiet Talks on Personal Problems," by S. D. Gorlon, (22); "Dr. Boedeker and His Apostolic Work in Russia," by R. S. Latimer, (23); "The New Theology," by R. J. Campbell, M. A., (24); "Characteristic Conversations by Curly Kate," by E. M. Garland, (25).

Among the paper-books of George Bell & Sons in their pretty red Colonial edition are suitable for Christmas gifts.

"For Which Wife," by the author of "Lady Beatrix and the Forbidden Man," etc., is sufficiently exciting to keep anyone awake.

"Needles and Pins," by Justin Huntly McCarthy, takes us back to the life and lives of that rogue Villon, the poet. It is a charming lyric in prose.

"The Baroness of Brendon," by E. H. Lacon-Watson, a tale of renunciations; and happy mediocrity, the history of a chastened nature.

"Julian Reval," by Philip Lawrence Oliphant, a story of Russian diplomatic efforts in London.

"The Wondrous Wife," by Charles Marriott, in part a problem tale of marital separation, in part the history of an industrial experiment, well worth reading.

"The Strongest of All Things," by Madame Albanesi, an unusually clever story and of unusual length.

"The Soul Stealer," by C. Rangor Gull (26), an account of a dangerous discovery. The scientific interest of this book apart from its romance, makes it readable and quickens interest.

"Seraphica," by Justin Huntly McCarthy, another bright romance of old France, runaway queens and strolling players and poets and lovers. It is delightful.

"The Company's Servant," by B. M. Croker, a bright Anglo-Indian novel with a young Englishman under a cloud as hero. It is the sort of story always popular.

"A Gallant of Gascony," by Philip L. Stevenson, an historical romance of brisk action and with picturesque setting.

"The Call," by Desmond Coke, a debate between the stage and the church with a man's work as reward.

"Agony Terrace," by Major Arthur Griffiths, contains some secrets of the Cynosure Club, clever little mystery stories wittily told.

"I Believe and Other Essays," by Guy Thorne, a series of rather meditative than argumentative sketches. The facts as basis are absurdly incredible. I shall speak of this book again. It is a farce.

"Lucy Cort," by Alice and Claude Askew, a remarkable tale of a misplaced life, of a woman of fatal allurements.

"Women and the West," by Charles Marriott.

"The Shadow of Evil," by Dick Donovan, one of his old-time sort with a real villain and a well-devised conspiracy.

"The Fashionable Christians," by Vincent Brown, a scathing indictment of the contradictions of the title.

"A Rock in the Baltic," by Robert Barr, one more peg in the score against Russia, a tale of fearful interest.

"Her Ladyship," by Katherine Tynon, a love tale and an economic problem, both triumphantly worked out.

"The Child of Promise," by Netta Syrett, is one of the best stories recently published, and while the whole theme and tenor is poignant, it is redeemed by clever dialogue and brilliant description.

"A Woman From the Sea," by John Bloundelle-Burton, a semi-political narrative of French exiles and spies in London during the revolution.

"Her Convict," by M. E. Braddon, an old-fashioned story of a life redeemed through a young girl's assistance.

"A Country Squire," by George Manville Fenn, an account of the mental howls of a rural squire, and his counter plots, mystery and trouble.

CARD OF THANKS We tender our hearty thanks to the Public for their generous patronage during the Christmas Season. The extreme low prices will be continued till the end of the year. S. A. STODDART.

The Taylor Mill Co. LIMITED LIABILITY. Dealers in Lumber, Sash, Doors and all kinds of Building Material. The Mikado Bazaar.

DOMINION HOTEL VICTORIA, B. C. COMMERCIAL AND TOURIST HEADQUARTERS. STRICTLY FIRST CLASS—MODERATE RATES. Stephen Iones

HOLIDAY SALE Great Variety of JAPANESE FANCY GOODS 20 per cent. Reduction in Price from 12th inst. J. M. Nagano & Co, 1117 Douglas Street

WING ON & SON, EMPLOYMENT OFFICE All kinds of Chinese help furnished. 530 CORMORANT ST. PHONE B112

Advertising makes trade bad For those who do not advertise.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY THERAPION This successful and highly popular remedy, used in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Kozan, Jobert, Velpeau, and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto employed.

THE LION AND THE MOUSE.

The Play Will Be Presented at Victoria Theatre Monday Evening.

The absolute contempt which persons of power have for their tools of the human kind, is strikingly illustrated in one of the scenes in Charles Klein's great comedy, "The Lion and the Mouse."

THE PANTAGES.

A Good Programme Offered This Week at Johnson Street Playhouse.

The Pantages theatre has a wonderfully all-round good show this week, in fact the best that has been booked for some weeks.

Opening Up of Gum-Claim at Head of Cariboo Creek.

Messrs. Nordquist and Ruggie came down the first of the week from the head of Cariboo creek, a tributary of South Fork, where they have been pushing development on a number of claims during the summer and fall.

Five Feet of Ore.

Messrs. Nordquist and Ruggie have gone to Spokane for the winter and will return in the early spring for the purpose of prosecuting further active development.

NEW PACIFIC LINE.

Within three months, according to Honolulu papers, a six-thousand ton steamship will be running between Honolulu, Hawaii, and San Pedro and transporting the former to the latter port.

At 1,000,000 gift certificates born, \$1,200 are alive in 12 months. Of the boys, 30,000 fewer live through the first year.

MAYORALTY

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Ladies and Gentlemen: At the earnest request of a number of citizens, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Mayor at the forthcoming municipal election, therefore request your vote and influence. Respectfully yours, LEWIS HALL.

To the Electors of Ward No. 2.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman in Ward No. 2 at the forthcoming municipal election, and request your vote and influence. Respectfully yours, A. M. BANNERMAN.

FOR REEBE

To the Electors of the Municipality of the District of Saanich. Ladies and Gentlemen.—At the request of a number of electors I have the pleasure of announcing myself as a candidate for Reeve at the forthcoming municipal election, and solicit your votes and influence. Yours respectfully, A. G. SNELLING.

The Perfection Pressed Stone Co. Ltd

GLADSTONE AVENUE (Sand Pits) Makers of HOLLOW CONCRETE BLOCKS The cheapest and most lasting building material—fireproof, does not rot or decay, needs no painting. Phone 232.

HOME-MADE MEDICINE

Said to Relieve Kidney Trouble and Rheumatism. One ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion; One ounce Compound Sarsaparilla; Four ounces Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla; Mixed and taken in teaspoonful doses after meals and at bedtime, is stated by a prominent physician to give most excellent results in kidney or urinary affections, and also in rheumatism and sciatica. The mixture opens the clogged pores of the kidneys, thus assisting them in their work of filtering all waste and poisonous matter from the blood, and expels these in the urine. To allow this poisonous matter to remain means that it will settle in the muscular tissue or joints, and cause the untold misery known as rheumatism. The mixture is composed of harmless vegetable ingredients which can be procured at any good drug store, and mixed at home. Anyone suffering from any of these afflictions will no doubt be pleased to learn of so simple and highly recommended remedy.

WINTON AGENTS WOOD BROS. GARAGE 88 FORT STREET AUTOS FOR HIRE at all hours PHONE 741.

Steedman's SOOTHING Powders. Relieve FEVERISH HEAT. Prevent FITS, CONVULSIONS, etc. Preserve a healthy state of the constitution IN CHILDREN. Please observe the EE in STEEDMAN. CONTAIN NO POISON.

What Will Be Your Choice? Christmas come but once a year. And you should not trifle. Now is the accepted time. To buy your boy a RIFLE. If a rifle he cannot raise, Try him on ROLLER SKATES, Or a BICYCLE, if he choose. To go wheeling with his mates. Come Early and Select Your Choice and we will keep it for you till Xmas. HARRIS & SMITH, 1220 BROAD STREET, Phone 2368.

The Merchants Bank of Canada

Report Presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Shareholders, Held on Wednesday, 18th December, 1907.

The annual meeting of the directors and shareholders of the Merchants Bank of Canada was held at noon yesterday at the Head Office, 205 St. James Street. Amongst the shareholders present at the meeting were: Messrs. Jonathan Hodgson, Thomas A. Long, C. F. Hoerner, C. P. Smith, Hugh A. Allan, Alex. Barnett, George Hague, T. E. Merrett, D. C. Macarow, P. S. Lyman, A. D. Fraser, C. R. Black, A. Piddington, M. S. Foley, E. Campbell, Nelles, John Patterson, E. Fiske (Coolidge), and others. In the absence of the President, Sir Hugh Montagu Allan, the Vice-President, Mr. Jonathan Hodgson, took the chair. Mr. Kilbourn was appointed secretary of the meeting. The minutes of the last annual meeting were taken in read. The chairman then submitted the following report of the directors:

THE REPORT.

The Directors beg to present the Statement of Affairs of the Bank as at close of the half year's business on 30th November last. In accordance with permission granted by the Shareholders at the last annual meeting, the books are closed upon the 30th of November, instead of on the 1st of May, as heretofore. The net profits for the half year amounted to \$173,144.50. Out of this two quarterly dividends, at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum—amounting to \$240,000—have been paid, the balance being carried forward to next year. The full proportion of inspection work has been done during the past six months. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JONATHAN HODGSON, Vice-President.

Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the half year ending 30th November, 1907. The Net Profits of the half year, after payment of charges, rebates on discounts, interest on deposits, and paying full provision for bad and doubtful debts, have amounted to \$173,144.50. Balance brought forward from last year, ending 31st May, 1907, \$1,252,476.05. Making a total of \$1,425,620.55.

This has been disposed of as follows: Quarterly Dividend No. 33 at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum \$120,000.00. Quarterly Dividend No. 34, at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum \$120,000.00. Leaving a balance to be carried forward to next year of \$267,400.75. Total \$507,400.75.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 30th November, 1907.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes sections for LIABILITIES and ASSETS.

E. F. HERBEN, General Manager.

THE DISCUSSION.

The Chairman—"I have much pleasure in moving the adoption of this report. Mr. Thomas Long—"Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, the reports that have been placed before you are, in my opinion, of an excellent nature, and I have much pleasure in seconding the motion. I am sure that we are all pleased and satisfied at the report laid before us. Considering the condition of trade all over Canada, I think that this report is one with which all the shareholders should be satisfied. (Hear, hear.)

"I may say that I am very pleased, and I am sure we all are, to see our ex-general manager, Mr. Hague, present with us to-day. (Applause.) We hope that we shall have the pleasure of seeing him at many such meetings as this in the years to come. I have great pleasure in seconding the adoption of this report."

The Chairman—"Are there any questions to be asked by the Shareholders? If not, I will ask your approval of the report."

There being no questions, the report was then put to the vote, and unanimously adopted. The General Manager (Mr. E. F. Herben)—"The statement before you gives the result of our best efforts in the management of your property for the past six months. The figures may, perhaps, speak for themselves. I hope you will think the statement a not unfavorable one. In this connection I should like to bear testimony to the loyalty and excellent work and spirit of the staff at large, all the members of which are actuated by an ardent desire to promote the Bank's best interests."

The general banking and commercial situation has been recently epitomized by the chief officer of the premier Bank of Canada, supplemented by the weighty deliverance of its president; and between these two authorities all of present practical interest has been said. If it were for me to make any remarks to you on the present occasion, I should like to say that there has, perhaps, never been in recent years in Canada a time when a policy of moderation in public and private affairs was so plainly called for as the present, and in saying this I believe I am only expressing a thought uppermost in the minds of most thinking responsible men in Canada. The change in the commercial and economic situation in the neighboring republic for the worse within the past few months, has been kaleidoscopic. It is now happily showing signs of improvement. In Canada we are altogether better situated, and it is our good fortune to be working under a better banking and currency system. But this is a slowing down time with us, a time to take stock of our positions, and to stretch and be mutually helpful, without, by being moderate in our commitments and undertakings, and thereby introducing a factor into affairs making for the rebalancing of all our advantages, which can only be interfered with by untimely optimism."

The Chairman—"The next order of business is the election of Directors, and I would suggest that Messrs. Black and Patterson act as scrutineers." Moved by Mr. M. S. Foley, seconded by Mr. A. Piddington, that Messrs. John Patterson and C. R. Black be requested to act as Scrutineers, and that only one ballot be taken for the election of the Directors. Mr. George Hague—"I am inclined to think that this course is hardly formal enough for such an election of Directors. I think the motion should read, 'That the scrutineers cast one ballot for the following persons as Directors,' and unless this course is followed, someone may call this election in question. We are all agreed upon the names, and I suggest that this course be followed."

Moved by Mr. J. Patterson, seconded by Mr. George Hague, that the Scrutineers cast one ballot for the following persons as Directors of the Merchants Bank of Canada for the ensuing year: SIR H. MONTAGU ALLAN, MR. C. F. SMITH, MR. JONATHAN HODGSON, MR. HUGH A. ALLAN, MR. THOMAS LONG, MR. C. M. HAYS, MR. C. R. BLACK, MR. ALEX. BARNETT, MR. F. ORR LEWIS.

The Scrutineers cast one ballot in accordance with this motion, and the Chairman declared the gentlemen mentioned therein elected as Directors of the Bank. There being no further business the meeting then adjourned. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors the following officers were re-elected: President, Sir Hugh Montagu Allan; Vice-President, Mr. Jonathan Hodgson.

MARKET PRICES

REMAIN STEADY

GOOD TURKEY SUPPLY

FOR VICTORIA CITY

The Past Week Has Been Given Over Largely to the Holiday Trade.

The markets show practically no change from last week. The past seven days has witnessed trade being diverted into holiday channels for the most part. The supply of turkey was up to the needs this year, and was of good quality.

The retail prices are as follows:

Table of market prices for various goods including Garden Produce, Meat, and Farm Produce.

Table of market prices for dairy products, eggs, and various oils.

HONORABLY ACQUITTED.

Magistrate in Vancouver Found No Evidence Against J. D. Williams.

J. D. Williams, steward of the Princess Victoria, charged with the theft of \$815 from Joseph Gauthier, a passenger, has been honorably acquitted in Vancouver police court. Mr. Gauthier stated that he had put the money in a pocketbook under his pillow, but when he landed in Vancouver had gone out in the morning and forgotten it. When he went back to the boat the money had disappeared. Williams was the steward-in-charge of the room, and he had him called in. He said it was strange that he could have gone through the room and removed the bedclothes without seeing the money, and offered him \$100 if he had it and would return it, and at the same time promised to keep quiet about it. But Williams only became angry at having such reflections cast up on him, and threatened to fight.

Lambert Bond, who appeared for the accused, said the only suspicious circumstance was that Williams had offered to carry another passenger's grip ashore, saying that he wanted an excuse to get off the boat. He could show that his reason for that was that he had promised another man to get a bag from the St. Francis hotel, and wanted an excuse to get ashore that he might carry out his promise. He could bring the landlord of the St. Francis to give evidence that he had actually gone for the bag. He could also bring witnesses to testify to the high character borne by the accused. Magistrate Williams said it was not at all necessary, as there was not a particle of evidence against the prisoner. It was admitted that the door of the room had been left open while Mr. Gauthier had been ashore, and a hundred persons might have been in the room. He was simply unfortunate in being steward of the room, and falling under suspicious circumstances which justified his arrest.

THE HOUSE OF HOPE.

It dreams in the dust by the wayside, nor shines its white radiance by; It sleeps in the shade of the rose, the house of my love and I; The house that our hands have builded and our hearts have established. With a room for the hopes we've cherished, and a song for the lips of care!

Afar from the pomp and splendor, the passion and pith of strife, It sits in the tangle of brambles—a nest for the hearts of life; Glory beyond all glory, and beauty beyond all grace, That we build with our hand its rafters for love to have resting place! Go over the highroad, princes; go over the pike, ye kings; Ah, many a golden-master's know-not of a nest where sings The throat of a love that lingers, the lips of a love who waits To leap to a heart that cometh through lanes of the golden gate! The heart that sings as it cometh, the lips that lift to her own. When shadows of dreamtime gather and shadows of toil have flown; Unto the House of Hoping, the nest by the quiet way— A nest in an uncrowned kingdom, a prince in a land of play!— Baltimore, Sun.

Woman's Watchword Is Modesty.

Whatever threatens woman's delicate sense of modesty, frightens her. For this reason many a woman permits disease of the delicate womanly organs to become aggravated because she cannot bring herself to submit to the ordeal of unpleasant questionings, offensive examinations, and obnoxious local treatments, which most physicians think necessary. Doubtless thousands of the women who have taken advantage of Dr. Pierce's offer of free consultation by letter have been led to do so by the escape thus offered from a treatment repugnant to modesty.

Any sick woman may write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., in perfect confidence; all letters of consultation being treated as strictly private and sacredly confidential, and all answers being sent in plain envelopes with no advertising or other printing upon them. Such consultation costs you nothing whether you take treatment from Dr. Pierce or not.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been long hailed as a "God-send to suffering women." It makes weak women strong and sick women well. It enables women suffering from "female weakness," prolapsus uteri, retroversion, anteversion, and other displacements of the organs, distinctly feminine, to cure themselves right in the privacy of their homes. It cures catarrhal discharges, painful or irregular periods, backache, dragging-down pain or distress in the lower abdominal, or pelvic, region, gnawing sensation in stomach, dizziness, or faint spells, and kindred conditions and symptoms are cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is a secret and potent medicine, against the use of which most people of intelligence naturally object, but it is, in fact, the "Favorite Prescription" of a regularly educated and experienced physician in the treatment of woman's peculiar ailments and who is not afraid to publish all its ingredients, as he does, on its bottle-wrapper, attesting the correctness of the same under oath.

"Favorite Prescription" is the one medicine for woman's delicate ailments which contains neither alcohol nor harmful, habit-forming drugs, being a pure glyceric extract of curative principles found in our most valuable native medicinal roots, as attested by many of the most eminent medical writers and teachers of all the several schools of practice.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully devised by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate system. It is made of native American medicinal roots and is perfectly harmless in its effects in any condition of the female system. As a powerful invigorating tonic "Favorite Prescription" imparts strength to the whole system and to the organs distinctly feminine in particular. For over-worked, "worn-out" run-down, debilitated teachers, milliners, dress-makers, seamstresses, "shop-girls," house-keepers, nursing mothers, and feeble women generally, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest earthly boon, being unequalled as an appetizing cordial and restorative tonic. As a soothing and strengthening nerve "Favorite Prescription" is unequalled.

In the cure of scrofulous swellings, enlarged glands, open sores, ulcers, or old sores, the "Golden Medical Discovery" has performed the most marvelous cures. In cases of old sores, or open sores, it is well to apply to the open sores Dr. Pierce's All-Healing Salve, which possesses wonderful healing potency when used as an application to the sores, in conjunction with the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" as a blood changing constitutional treatment. If your druggist don't happen to have the "All-Healing Salve" in stock, you can easily procure it by inclosing fifty-five cents in postage stamps to Dr. R. V. Pierce, 663 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y., and if you desire to be retained post, most druggists keep it as well as the "Golden Medical Discovery."

You can't afford to accept any medicine of inferior composition as a substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery," which is a medicine of known composition, having a complete list of ingredients in plain English on its bottle-wrapper, the same being attested as correct under oath. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate the stomach, liver and bowels. One to three a dose. Easy to take as candy.

GOLDEN WEST BAKERY. A Good Standby. nutritious bread is one great essential, and you may search the world over and not find any that will surpass Golden West bread. Upon this bread the foundation of a happy, healthful life can be built. The health and happiness of your family will improve, if you become a customer. Factory 221 COOK ST. Phone 805. J. T. LEGG, Proprietor.

NOW UNPACKING. We are now unpacking some late arrivals, and to make them move fast we are marketing them away down low.

Children's Morris Chairs and Morris Rockers, each \$4.50. "Midget" Couches Upholstered in Velour, quick sale price \$5.00. Morris Chairs, Velour Cushions, to go at \$7.75. Our Special Couch \$6.75. These Goods must be sold--First come, first served.

The Capital Furniture Co., LIMITED. Cor. Fort & Douglas Sts. BALMORAL BLOCK VICTORIA, B. C. TELEPHONE 633.

PRACTICAL AIDS FOR ARTISTIC NEEDLEWOMEN

Chrysanthemum Design for Blouse

THE little people of Japan have taught us the decorative value of the chrysanthemum for painting and embroidery. Indeed, to them we owe many of the finest natural blooms that brighten for us the last days of fall.

While it would be hard for us to rival the exquisite embroidery done by the Japanese, which is flawless on wrong as well as right side, we have borrowed from them many of our most effective designs for art needlework.

Especially is this so in the various adaptations of chrysanthemum motifs, which we have grown fond of using on lingerie, household linens and for purely decorative purposes.

One reason that most embroiderers enjoy working a chrysanthemum is that it is susceptible of so many different treatments. For instance, the lazy worker may merely outline the long and slender petals and jagged foliage of even so graceful a motif as the one given today, and yet have quite an effective blouse.

Or again, it may be done in shadow stitch, which, though somewhat past its first furor, is still in great favor for those who like results without undue effort.

If this method of working is selected, do the flowers in the shadow stitch and the foliage either in long or short stitch, with the veins done in outline, or with half the leaf padded and covered with satin stitch and the other side corded on the edge and filled in with seeding.

The truly Japanese treatment of the chrysanthemum is to do both petals and foliage in Kensington stitch. This is the most difficult of all methods, as the proper slant of the stitches is hard to get.

The outer edge of the leaves should be worked first in alternate long and short stitch, the second row being set well up into them, so there may be no break in the smoothness. The Japanese do this so skilfully that it is almost impossible to tell the wrong side from the right.



The Finished Blouse.

many embroiderers think, gives a lighter and more airy look to the work than any other treatment.

But, the best and most popular way to develop a chrysanthemum motif is along the lines shown in the photograph.

The petals and dots are heavily padded in chain stitch with darning cotton and worked in satin stitch. The lower half of each leaf is treated in the same way, while the upper portion is corded on the edge and filled in with seeding, which is nothing more than a small, even backstitch, set in rows at regular distances apart.

The stems may be outlined, corded or done in narrow French stem stitch, as is preferred.

The dots in the center may also be made of French knots or eyelets. Today's design is particularly desirable, as it is so arranged that it may be used for a shirtwaist that opens either in the front or back. The sprays are easily separated and applied on each side of a

box pleat. For heavy linens this seems the preferable treatment.

The waist opening behind is improved by a narrow pointed yoke of allover lace or of lace and Swiss insertion, set in horizontal rows. A few side pleats on the shoulder give extra fulness when necessary.

The collar and cuff motifs, after being embroidered, should be joined to the blouse by beading, or can have a row or two of lace insertion and new pleated frills as a finish.

When worked in white, as is the usual method for the sheer lingerie blouse, a rather fine mercerized cotton should be used. About one dozen skeins will be necessary.

This motif would be particularly effective, carried out in the dull blues so much seen in the real Japanese embroidery. Three or four tones of blue should be used and the design executed in Kensington stitch.

The design, as given on this page, is but one-half working size.



Cuff.



Collar.

Essential Stitches of Embroidery

THE essential stitches of embroidery are the outline (or stem) stitch, long-and-short, solid, Kensington, buttonhole, satin, slant, and overlap stitch, seeding, and also French knots.

The outline is perhaps the easiest to learn. The outline, or stem, stitch, is best described by saying it is a long stitch forward on the goods and a short one backward on the under side. It is very much like the back stitch used by dressmakers. Care should be taken to make a perfectly even line.

The long-and-short stitch is perhaps next in importance, as it is the foundation of all solid embroidery. It is, as its name indicates, first a long stitch then a short one, then a long stitch. With this stitch shades can be blended perfectly.

The buttonhole stitch has many uses, but the principal one is to finish the border of the top, coming out with scallops or scrolls in worked with the buttonhole stitch, as it gives a firm edge which wears well.

The buttonholing is done by passing the needle through the goods just at the edge of the top, where the cotton or silk is held by the left thumb, just to the right of where the needle will come through, so that a loop is formed which fastens itself.

In material which is to be cut away from the edge, the long-and-short buttonhole is used.

The satin stitch is like the Kensington, but more conventional. It is used for cover-up forms, but as it does not admit of shading, it cannot be used to obtain pretty color effects.

The slanting stitch is a series of small, regular back stitches, and is very effectively employed in large leaves and similar designs.

Coronation Braid Hints

CORONATION braidwork is really a revival of the old-fashioned rice-cord work, and many of the designs which have been made for its use are thoroughly modern.

The braid of today is a wonderful improvement over that which was formerly used.

It may be bought in several different sizes, and nowadays one has no trouble in buying the cord in a size suitable to the background material.

The new cord is woven very smooth and even, and one rarely meets with an imperfect section, a feature which often caused annoyance in the old-fashioned braid or cord.

The braid may be purchased in colors, thus increasing its field of usefulness.

There is no form of embroidery more effective or more quickly worked up than coronation work.

Laundering Colored Embroideries

THE laundering of embroidery needs special care; this is particularly true of colored embroidery.

Plain simple embroidery, with no raised surfaces, does not require so much care.

An embroidery piece should be washed in warm water with a lather made of a pure white soap. The most soiled pieces can be rubbed lightly between the hands, avoiding hard rubbing.

As the first wash generally removes all the loose dyes, it should be done very carefully, so that each subsequent laundering is less likely to fade the colors.

After thoroughly rinsing in clear water to remove the suds, lay the piece between two dry pieces of muslin. After it has remained between the muslin for a few moments, lay the piece face downward upon a soft blanket, which has a thin cover over it.

See that the iron is perfectly clean, and iron quickly. If it has become too dry to press smoothly, dampen it lightly with cloth or sponge.

Damp linen, a good iron and rapid movements are necessary to successfully launder embroidery.

New Wallachian Designs

A GREAT variety of new designs are shown in Wallachian embroidery.

The embroidery is so rich, so effective and so quickly done that it will surely take, to a great extent, the place of shadow embroidery, that so long has held sway.

Wallachian can be done on coarse or fine material, and with a coarse or fine thread. Very coarse thread may be used on linen, but when silk or cloth is used silk thread is needed in working out the design.

A bit of Wallachian work on the collar and cuffs after the dressmaker or tailor has finished a frock will remove the garment at once from the commonplace.

For lunch sets and other table linen the Wallachian embroidery is especially adaptable. With careful laundering, colored embroidery threads will remain as good as new for several seasons and it cannot be denied that a touch of color is very effective on the dining table.

How to Apply Coronation Braid

IT MUST be sewed on neatly and carefully to insure pleasing and durable results.

The braid must be firmly stitched in place. The worker who merely takes one or two over-and-over stitches between each two sections of the braid will find it impossible to keep the stamped outline, especially on curved lines.

On sheer material, where the stamping shows through, the cord may be sewed on the wrong side, hemming it in place with firm stitches.

When done on heavy material, the cord must be sewed on the right side, using a kind of a slip or blind stitch on the section, and taking one or two overhand stitches between them.

A Novel Use of Raffia

THE enthusiastic workers in raffia might, by way of a change from interlarded weaving, use it as a working material on burlap.

Really attractive table and pillow covers for a country home may be evolved from burlap by working it with a broad or narrow cross-stitch border in raffia. Finish with a fringe of the same, made by cutting equal lengths of the raffia and drawing it through the edge of the cover with a crochet needle. One end should be slightly longer than the other, and tied over it as one would knot a four-in-hand necktie.

For the natural-toned burlaps, the dyed raffia should be used, while the colored ones, especially dark green or red, look extremely well worked in the uncolored fibers.

How to Pad the Satin Stitch

IN THE filling or padding of the satin stitch lies the secret of all good work.

If the former is badly done, no amount of care will produce a result worthy of the name.

An outline or an uneven running darning stitch is the best padding to use for small figures, should the work be in chain and double outline may be worked in large spaces.

Be sure to have an even outline, and keep the padding perfectly smooth.

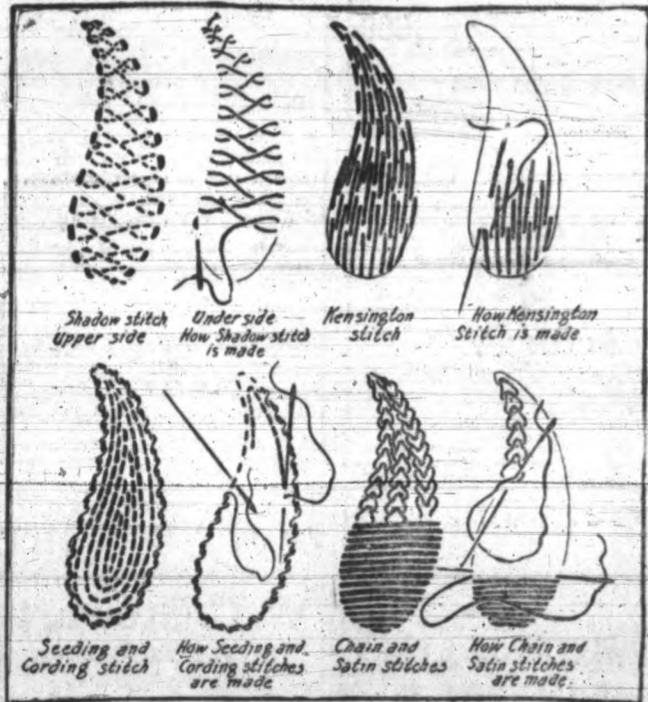


Diagram of Stitches.

Bobbin Lace

IN MAKING bobbin lace, it is convenient to know that, after the initial stitches are known, the simple lace can be copied by making a blue print from a small piece of lace desired, picking the holes in it, using it as a pattern for a scallop or two and then constructing a complete pattern from it.

Any of the lace paper patterns should have a piece of parchment of the same width wound about the loom spool beneath them.

The parchment is very tough, and keeps the paper from tearing with the repeated plinnings, and thus drawing the lace out of shape.

Bedroom Set in Applique

BEDROOM SETS in shadow-work applique are charming, and may be used over white or colored linings, and the effect of these tiny embroideries over highly polished woods must be seen to be appreciated.

In laundering this class of work it must be pulled and smoothed into place before it becomes dry. A cloth should then be placed between it and the iron, and the pressing continued until the article is thoroughly dry.

Lace on Lingerie Blouses

In making lingerie blouses, with their ligets of fine lace, it is often a problem as to the best way to put in the lace.

The following plan is practical: Draw the design on the material with a pencil. Base the insertion on this pattern, carefully following the outer edges of the curves first, and drawing the inner edges in to fit, as one sews on lace wreaths.

Then, with a very fine thread and a rather short stitch, sew as close to the edge of the insertion as possible, on both sides, with a machine. Remove basting threads and cut away the material from under the lace, leaving a narrow margin on each side.

Next put the goods wrong side out on an embroidery frame and whip over and over the little margin of cloth, taking care to put the needle through a stitch of the machine stitching each time. This will give the appearance of a rolled hem on the under side.

None of the work shows on the right side, as the machine stitching is concealed by the mesh of the lace. By using an embroidery frame, there is no danger of drawing the work out of shape.

Home-Made Portieres

BEAUTIFUL bagdad curtains may be easily fashioned at home for use in the library or den.

They are made as follows: Take bur-lap the desired shade, forty inches wide, for the foundation. Divide by basting threads into five equal lengthwise parts. Cross-stitch each strip over four threads of bur-lap, with a different color of Germantown yarn.

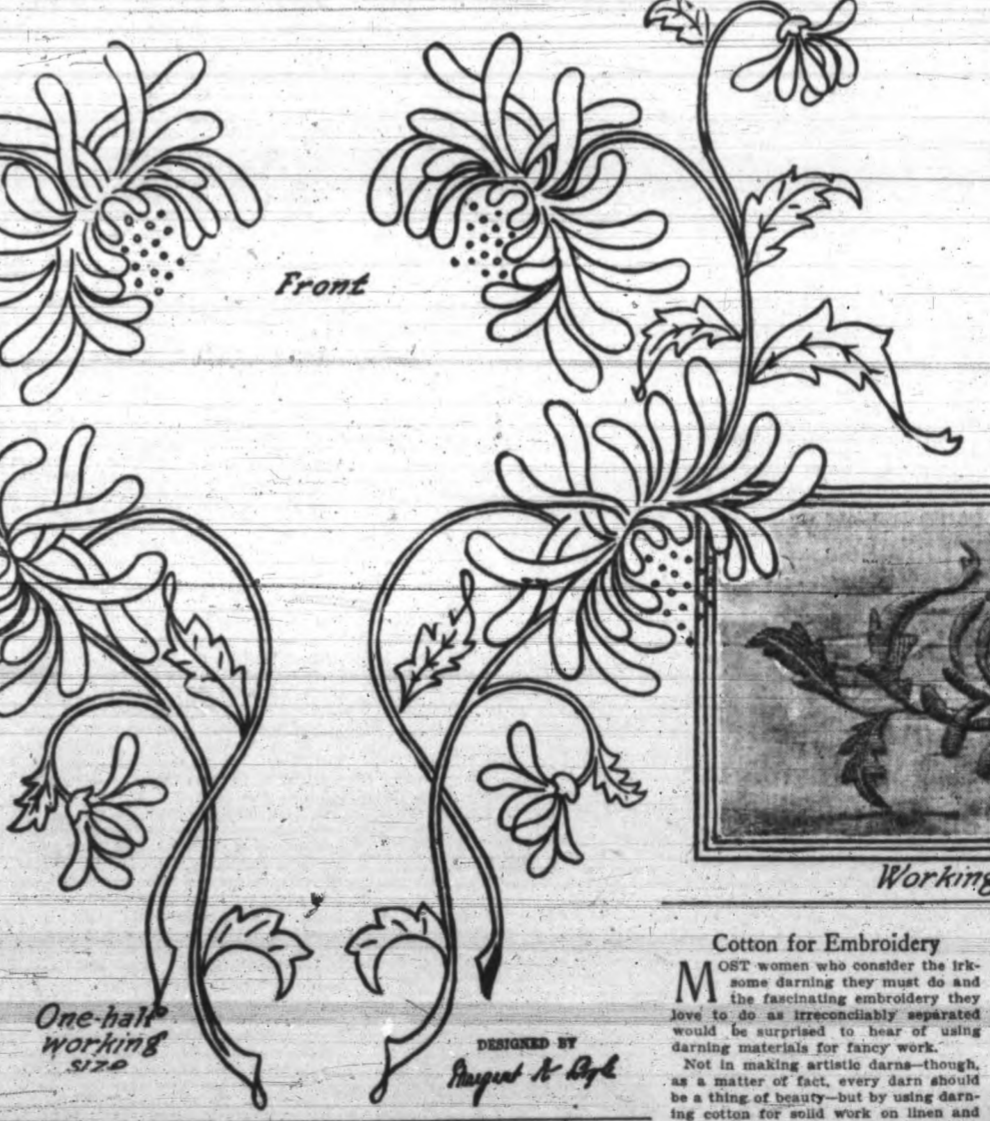
Cream, terra cotta, blue, brick-red and blue green are all effective shades to use for this purpose.

Hang the portieres from a dead black pole, with rings to correspond.

These curtains need no lining, and are just as satisfactory as real bagdad, and a cheap cost is considered, more so.

Trunk Tray Covers

AN ATTRACTIVE gift for a fall bride would be an outfit of trunk tray covers made from gray or natural-colored linen embroidered in large initials with white cotton floss.



Front

One-half working size

DESIGNED BY August A. Rypl



Working Detail.

Cotton for Embroidery

MOST women who consider the irksome darning they must do and the fascinating embroidery they love to do as irreconcilably separated would be surprised to hear of using darning materials for fancy work.

Not in making artistic darns—though, as a matter of fact, every darn should be a thing of beauty—but by using darning cotton for solid work on linen and mixed materials.

One very pretty parasol worked in this manner was recently seen. The sunshade itself was an inexpensive, natural colored linen one, costing just one dollar, and it was embroidered with a heavy design of dots and wide scallops in ordinary brown darning cotton.

On one side was worked the owner's monogram in a very light tan. Around the design was a line of cotton, with two strands of linen, caught up by the needle at distances of one inch. The effect was striking, and the work was easy, to say nothing of the infinitesimal cost.

French Embroidery

FRENCH embroidery or satin stitch is usually highly padded before being worked, and it is only after much practice that one becomes really an expert.

In the filling or padding lies the secret of all good satin stitch, for if the former is badly done no amount of after care will produce a smooth effect.

An uneven running or darning stitch is the best padding to use for small figures, though rows of chain or outline stitches may be worked in large spaces.

Work as many rows as desired, one on top of the other, but be sure to keep an even outline and have the last or uppermost row of padding perfectly smooth.

This padding should be done with the work held in the frame, but most people find that the satin stitch works best when held in the hand.

Fancy Work Gifts for Bride

EMBROIDERED towels and scarves make desirable gifts for a bride. Plain or figured huckaback is used in making these towels and scarves, about a yard and a quarter being allowed for each.

One end is generally finished with hemstitching, while the other is embroidered with a scallop and a monogram.

Outlining, cross-stitching, solid embroidery and buttonholing are used in the decorations.

Real Estate Advertisements Victoria District

FOR SALE. FOR SALE. FOR SALE.

100 ACRES

South Saanich

SEVEN ACRES CLEARED, BALANCE IN TIMBER.

This can be purchased cheaper than anything in the vicinity.

STOCKS. We have some good ones. STOCKS.
INVESTMENTS. INVESTMENTS. INVESTMENTS.

Apply
National Finance Co., Ltd.
Phone 1363 1206 GOVERNMENT ST. P.O. Box 275

Real Estate

SAANICH ROAD.
48 1/2 acres, nice house and good outbuildings, 5 acres beautiful bearing orchard. Price, including stock and implements and part furniture \$8,500

SHAWNIGAN DISTRICT.
485 acres, about 60 acres cleared, fine residence and good farm buildings. Price only \$7,000

LANGFORD LAKE.
5-acre blocks fronting on the lake, at per acre, \$50

1,000 American-Canadian Oil at 15c.

A. W. MORE
34 BROAD ST.
Corner Truncheon Ave.

THE DOMINION'S DESTINY

By Harold Begbie in London Chronicle

By loyalty I mean the social and human sentiment of kinship. "We do not talk," says Stevenson, "feel warmly towards Wesley or Laud, we cannot all take pleasure in 'Paradise Lost' but there are certain common sentiments and touches of nature by which the whole nation is made to feel kinship. This simple and natural feeling of kinship is more than much speaking and many drums. To acknowledge the tradition of the race is to do more than accept the services of the British navy. A man may hate war and take no pleasure in the histories of Blake and Nelson, and yet be a patriot. For myself I confess that pride of race is as strong in my blood when I observe a cool-headed policeman directing the London traffic, or fall into conversation with a well-mannered workman on a bus, or receive a genial welcome from the landlord of a country inn, or give ear to the cheerful humor of a Suffolk boatman, or watch an old maid carrying cordials down a village street, as when I read the glorious story of Richard Coeur de Lion, or consider the universal genius of Shakespeare. It is a lovable character of the British people—their kindness, their honesty, and their politeness—which makes me love my country.

Now, in Canada, this pleasant and beautiful delight in British character is not everywhere to be found. In truth, I met with no little impatience concerning the life and spirit of the Mother Country. The sentiment exists that we are swollen with fatness, that our hands grow heavy with the rod of empire, that our foot-lag in the march of nations. Mark well, these detractors express no disloyalty. They look for nothing in no other country. The British navy will serve their purpose till they are a nation of sixty or seventy millions, when they will take care of themselves. No, they are not disloyal; but, except in British Columbia, they are not strongly and productively conscious of kinship.

The Hot-headed Imperialist.

For this condition of Canadian sentiment, the hot-headed Imperialist is chiefly responsible. If it be true that the Little Englander loves every country but his own, certainly the Imperialist appears to entertain a hearty affection for every field of empire except the British Isles. He paints his country in sombre and melancholy hues that it may serve as a background to his glowing picture of the colonies. He forgets that the colonies study the backward steps of the Little Englander with a keen and penetrating eye. The point needs not to be argued. We are all familiar with the Imperialistic spirit which seeks to awaken England to Imperial political action by calling her hard names

deploring this materializing spirit in their country. They told me that the Scandinavian was welcomed to Canada as warmly as the Englishman, that the one and only object of the country is to develop its resources quickly. They spoke to me frankly of the shameful judges and the crooked politicians in Canada. They confessed that because of their English loyalty they are the objects of suspicion and criticism.

How far we may strengthen the hands of the loyal British in Canada remains to be suggested. For the present this is certain and beyond dispute, enthusiasm for British character and British traditions—that great bond of unity—is no longer the so-called inspiration in the life of the Dominion. Canada—composed of many nations—means to be a country of her own. She is carving her own fortunes. She is making her own traditions. And these traditions are not all the traditions of the British.

IRISH CATTLE DRIVE.

200 Police Defeated by Thousands of People.

Wild scenes took place at Muckatoon, near Ballygar, Co. Galway, recently, over the restocking of all large farms, which was closed by the people.

Several thousand people, accompanied by bands, collected at the farm and rushed out the stock, which had just been replaced under the protection of a large force of police. In the scrimmage that ensued several members of the force were assaulted. District-inspector Richmond was dragged down by an infuriated crowd of women, who rolled him in the mud. He was rescued and although two hundred police were present they were overpowered and were unable to protect the grazier's cattle. The scene was one of the wildest that has yet been witnessed in connection with the anti-grazing agitation, and a number of extra police were dispatched from Roscommon to aid the local force in making arrests.

Muckatoon, which is an extensive grazing ranch, in the occupation of two brothers, cattle dealers, named Hughes, has been the scene of several conflicts between police and people during the last few days. Since the agitation commenced it has been three times cleared and three times restocked.

Accompanied by 100 police the stock was put back one night, the display of force being too great for the crowd. The police describe their experience, as the worst since the eighties. They were covered with mud from head to foot, and the danger of the crowd was the most threatening which policemen of long service have yet seen in Ireland.

In the Miltown district of North Galway a crowd of a hundred people drove the cattle off the farm of John Quinn, a grazer. The police were powerless to interfere. Labels were attached to the horns of the cows with these inscriptions: "The land for the people and the road for me," and "Blessed are the cattle drovers, for they shall possess the land."

A PRE-EMINENTLY BEAUTIFUL CITY

By W. S. Hardwood in the World of To-Day.

If you ever caught glimpses of noble old English homes, set with wide reaches of sward and trees, you have seen only in ampler measure, what you may see as you drive through the residential portion of the delightful city of Victoria; one of the outposts of empire of Great Britain set at the gateway of the Pacific. Behind the English homes, to be sure, there may be as many centuries as there are years behind some of these Canadian mansions; and yet, with the memory of England's rural life in their minds, these rich and glorious homes have—without consciously like their forbears—"Rich, if I say? Well, possibly, not rich as Fifth Avenue is rich, and yet comfortably well to do in this world's goods, and still more richly abounding in that sterling horse sense which tells a man to stop before he has seized upon everything that is in sight—and some things which he might find out if there be not some nobler thing in life than pots of gold and piles of dirt.

An American does not need to dabble with his patriotism, or even mask it, when he reaches Victoria; he may, indeed, if so he elect, hang desperately hard upon his national pugacity; but, at the same time, if he have normal vision, he will see some things in this western gem of the Pacific which would make him say: "And then there is much he will enjoy that the tremendous hustle and hurry, the hair-raising, nerve-racking, life-blunting clang and clamor. For the nonce, anyway, he will part with this all cheerfully, enjoying the wide quiet streets, the noble reaches of the parks, the sweep of the vastness of the cedar forests, the splendid silence of a great battlemented tower and its anchor. To be sure, the air is not so fresh, the noise of traffic and the forests can fall at the call of the axe, and the sea can roar and the battleship boom, but these are not normalities. Victoria and its environs is pre-eminently a beautiful, quiet, restful place. Would there were more such cities in America, heavens of noise for those beset by the fiends of noise!

I do not know how many Americans have stood on the great stone causeway leading over to the noble, parklike buildings, wondering how it came about that in their own city or state, after most reckless spending of money, they had not managed to erect something equally splendid. I doubt not, though, there has been ample cause for such wonderment. This building stands as one of the best, though not one of the costliest, public buildings on the continent. It is the pride of Victoria, indeed, I fancy it is the pride of all Canada.

Lying down in one far corner of the great island of Vancouver, Victoria is alone, set apart from her neighbors, Seattle and Vancouver, and wholly unlike either of them in municipal type. She loses much in a commercial and business way by not being on the mainland, but not feeling the touch and impact of the things of to-day. And yet she has not the railroads to blacken her blue sky and make bedlam of her streets; only the white steamships that reach out to the war-torn lands across the sea to make bridges for her to other civilizations.

Without any huge manufacturing enterprises or any vast industrial establishments, she has a pleasant life. Her Victorians lead, full of delightful, even if caste-marked, society, as many a garriolan town is marked, rich in real culture, soberly aggressive in material development, willing to let the other fellow make part of the money, passionately devoted to uplifting sports, and, indeed, British, but unconsciously American. After all, I wonder sometimes if these loyal Canadians feel realized how much they are being influenced by the great neighbor to the south. I said to a ruddy-cheeked Victorian with the very dawn of an English morning upon his brown head and the blue of a Canadian sky above him:

"I hear that the Canadians of the great middle-west beyond the Selfridges are being much influenced by the so-called American invasion of Canada. Do you think these American farmers are going to make these people over so that they will want to come into the United States one of these days?"

He looked at me in indignant silence for a moment. Then with his British choler rising he burst forth:

"Let them go. If they want to, let 'em go to—try to find a place that have not been able to locate on the map. 'British Columbia stands by the Union Jack to the death!'"

It is a motley crowd, as the afternoon sun is striking the distant snow-clad peaks of the Olympians, that gently ebbs and flows through the streets of this old city; now and again a brown-faced Indian; frontiersmen come in from the forests; many a city chap in haste to a tennis tea; men in green with white belts and dark blue caps, men in scarlet coats with natty red caps tipped over their ears, men in handsome dark blue with white and red stripes or even more conspicuous white ones running down the trousers, men in white, men in yellow, men in khaki—so many of them you wonder where the rest of the garrison may be; while around the corner swartzy fishermen are chatting; sealers for the Arctic are swapping lies; a pair of wandering-eyed Chinamen stand watching a pudgy black bear, late caught and not half grown, who is alternately running up a telegraph pole as far as he can for the lathering chain and again dashing down and along the jaw-foot of neway at the street gamin who is making his life a burden with a sharp stick, all in a vain attempt to cuff the lad with his powerful flat paw.

Round about Victoria are delightful places to visit, while inland upon the great island are opportunities for the

NEW PINE AIR CURE FOR CATARRH COLDS

Dwellers in pine forests never have colds, never know the meaning of catarrh.

Upon this fact is built "Catarrhose," which forces into the lungs and nostrils the healing balsam and soothing antiseptics of the pine forest.

The healthiest vapor of "Catarrhose" cures the most chronic catarrh, nose colds or bronchitis—try it yourself.

The finest corners of the lungs are treated, the uttermost parts of the bronchial tubes are reached, every cell in the nose and throat is bathed in the antiseptic balsam of Catarrhose.

Slightly irritable is Catarrhose, because so safe, so effective, so sure to cure, because of its purity, its simplicity, its ease of use, its pleasant taste, its pleasant smell—try it yourself.

Complete two months' treatment, guaranteed, price \$1.00; small (trial) size 2c. Dealers, U. S. C. Polson & Co., Harford, Conn., U. S. A., and Kingston, Ont.

THIRTEEN O'CLOCK

At Worsley, England, there are two clocks on Lord Ellesmere's estate so arranged as to strike at the hour of one. One of these is over the new entrance to Worsley hall in the centre of Worsley village. It originally gave time to the employed at the Duke of Bridgewater's works in the neighborhood. It is said that the Duke had the clock made to strike 13 because his workmen sometimes played truant for being late after the dinner hour owing to the fact that they did not hear the clock strike 12.

CHAMELEON SEA.

The colors of the waters of the Mediterranean vary considerably at different seasons of the year, and in different localities. During storms and boisterous weather the sea assumes a deep green, and sometimes a brownish tint; but when calm and undisturbed it is of a bright deep blue. In the Bosphorus and among the Islands of the archipelago the color is of varying tints, in some places being of a liquid blue graduating into a brighter green; and in others assuming a blue so deep as almost to approach a purple.

BODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES

GRAVEL RHEUMATISM BRIGIT'S DISEASE CALCULI

FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES

GRAVEL RHEUMATISM BRIGIT'S DISEASE CALCULI

FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES

GRAVEL RHEUMATISM BRIGIT'S DISEASE CALCULI

royal sport of gun and rod. Of course the people of Victoria, do not brag about their climate; nobody on the Pacific ocean from Mexico to Alaska ever does that! But they are willing you should draw your own inferences from their cleverly prepared tables and their ingeniously worded comparisons; and before you are aware of it, especially if it be such charming weather as that which greeted the writer, you are seeing the year through an aureole of climatic glory.

Historically there is much of interest in Victoria from the early days when it was a fort of the Hudson's Bay Company. I can never forgive somebody. I am sure I do not know who it was, who let the good ship Beaver go out upon a voyage that wrecked her, the most interesting craft upon any sea. It was this little ship, long stationed at Victoria, which a number of years ago went to pieces on the rocks of Brockton when she ought to have been preserved for all time as a precious relic, the first steamer to cross the Atlantic ocean, the first to round Cape Horn, the first to ride the Pacific.

SAVINGS BANK FAILS.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 24.—The Memphis Savings Bank failed to open its doors this morning. A notice posted on the door, said that the bank had been placed in the hands of a receiver. No statement has been issued.

BODE'S GUM GIVES ROSY CHEEKS.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF AN ELIZA LESTER, LATE OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, DECEASED.

All persons having claims against the estate of Ann Eliza Lester, who died on the 17th November, 1907, are hereby required to send the same duly verified to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of January, 1908, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay their indebtedness as required by the said order.

Dated December 24, 1907.
ARTHUR LEE
Executor, 11 Truncheon Ave. Victoria, B.C.

Wood Wood Wood

We have the largest supply of GOOD DRY WOOD in the City. FINE CUT WOOD a specialty. Try us and be convinced.

BURT'S WOOD YARD

Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Homestead Regulations.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 2 and 20, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for homestead entry must be made in person by the applicant at the office of the local Agent or Sub-Agent. Entry by proxy may, however, be made in certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, wife, or sister of an intending homesteader.

An application for entry or inspection made personally at any Sub-Agent's office may be filed to the local agent by the applicant, at the expense of the applicant, and if the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application is to have priority and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received by mail.

In case of "personation" the entry will be summarily cancelled and the applicant will forfeit all priority of claim.

An application for inspection must be made in person by the applicant, and be eligible for homestead entry, and only one application for inspection will be received from an individual until that application has been disposed of.

A homesteader whose entry is in good standing, and who is able to cancel, may, subject to approval of Department, relinquish it in favor of father, mother, daughter, brother or sister, if eligible, but to no one else, as filing declaration of abandonment.

Where entry is summarily cancelled, or voluntarily abandoned, subsequent institution of cancellation proceedings, the application for inspection will be entitled to priority of entry.

Applicants for inspection must state in writing the particulars of the homestead in the field, and if subsequently the same is found to be incorrect in material particulars, the applicant will lose any priority of re-entry, should the land become vacant, or if entry has been filed it may be summarily cancelled.

DUTIES.—A settler is required to perform the conditions under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years. If the father is deceased or a homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land, and by such homesteader the requirement as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(2) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirement may be satisfied by residence upon such land.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

COAL—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 per acre. Not more than 250 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined.

QUARTZ—A person eighteen years of age, or over, having discovered mineral veins, may locate a claim for 100 ft. of the vein.

The fee for recording a claim is \$5. The fee for each year of the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1 per acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2 1/2 per cent. on the sales. The following conditions generally are in fact square; entry fee \$5, renewable yearly.

An applicant may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The leases shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

W. W. CORY
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

WOOD WOOD WOOD

We have the largest supply of GOOD DRY WOOD in the City. FINE CUT WOOD a specialty. Try us and be convinced.

WOOD WOOD WOOD

We have the largest supply of GOOD DRY WOOD in the City. FINE CUT WOOD a specialty. Try us and be convinced.

WOOD WOOD WOOD

We have the largest supply of GOOD DRY WOOD in the City. FINE CUT WOOD a specialty. Try us and be convinced.

FOR CHOICE BUYS

In City Lots and Acre Property

CALL ON
CROSS & CO.
44 Fort Street
Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to replace the wooden block paving on Government street, between Courtenay street and Johnson street, with wooden blocks, treated with creosote, and that the said work shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law," and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law, upon the said work of local improvement, giving statement showing the amounts chargeable, in each case, against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their report having been adopted by the Council:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the report herein referred to is open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street, WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 29th, 1907.

BARGAINS

Choice Lands

SUITABLE FOR

Orchards

OR

Market Gardening

134-10 Acres
Good Land; Well Watered; part in Orchard. **\$3,500**

20 Acres
About 7 Acres Under Cultivation; Rich Black Loam. **\$2,600**

10 1-2 Acres
Practically All Cleared; Suitable for Orchard; Well Water; on Main Road. **\$1,600**

7 1-3 Acres
Good Land; Timbered. **\$5**

7 Acres
Good Land, 5 1/2 Acres Ready for Plough. **\$130**

EASY TERMS

The above land parcels are in a good sunny location about 4 miles from Victoria; ten minutes' walk from Victoria & Sidney Railway; School and Church close to.

SWINERTON & ODDY
1234 GOVERNMENT ST.

FOR SALE

Owing to moving into more commodious premises, we offer for sale at a bargain the three-storey building with basement at present occupied by us.

The Brackman-Ker Milling Co., Ltd.
1407 Government St.

If you are looking for an ideal home buy a couple of lots in Sidney at \$125 per lot.

If you want choice and cheap FARMING OR FRUIT LAND, we have it from \$5 to \$100 per acre, and from 5 to 1,000 acre lots. We have had ten years' experience in Saanich and Island property.

Take V. & S. R. R. to
SIDNEY REALTY CO.
Sidney B. C.
M. A. THOMAS, MGR.

DON'T FORGET THAT

W. C. Stewart
(Late of Brandon, Manitoba)

HAS CHANGED HIS REAL ESTATE BUSINESS

From PROMIS BLOCK (up-stairs) to
GROUND FLOOR, 704 YATES ST.

Opposite New Merchants' Bank Building, in same office as A. Williams & Co. Where he will always have a covered carriage to drive customers to see his own and clients' properties. No trouble to show you round if you wish to invest.

THE

Hub Cigar Store
HEADQUARTERS FOR ATHLETIC SPORTS.
Good Imported, Domestic and Local Cigars and Tobaccos.
LEWIS & EVANS,
Cor. Government & Truncheon Aves
PHONE 12.

CIVIC NOTICE

Persons wishing to engage help of any description are hereby requested to state their requirements in writing in as few words as possible, and address the same to the "Employment Bureau," City Hall.

All persons seeking employment may apply at the "Employment Bureau" at the City Hall, which will be temporarily located in the Committee Room.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 18, 1907.

DRY CORDWOOD, STOVEWOOD AND BARK

R. DAVERNE
WOOD YARD, FORT ST., TEL 21

Classified and Real Estate Advertisements

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR
CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS-W. Lane, Contractor and Builder, Jobbing and repairing, 27 Avalon road, James Bay, Phone 4912.
THOMAS CATERALL-15 Broad street, Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing, Tel. 53.
CHAS. A. MURPHY-121 Blanchard street, Jobbing, trade & specialty, twenty years' experience, Orders promptly filled, Phone B147.

ROBERTSON & GRIFFITH

GOVERNMENT ST. PHONE 1462
W B
HAVE FOR SALE
A Large Number of
FIRST CLASS NEW HOUSES
Of Latest Design,
At Away Down Prices,
And Easy Terms,
Immediate Possession.
If You
Are Looking For
A GOOD HOME
We Have Just What You Want.
WE WISH YOU A MERRY XMAS.
REPLIES TO ADVERTISEMENTS.
Letters in reply to advertisements in the classified columns of the Times await claimants as follows:
NUMBERS 17, 28, 29, 45, 46, 44, 45, 54, 55, 61, 64, 75, 78, 33, 32, 63.

A. B. McNEILL

REALTY-MONEY TO LOAN
FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE.
PHONE 646. 11 THROUNCE AVE.
FRUIT FARM-3 acres, 250 trees bearing, strawberries, etc., 7 room house, all conveniences, terms \$4,000.
LARGE HOUSE-Mensies street, 9 rooms, modern, corner, 48 ft. x 180 ft., terms \$12,000.
LOTS-475 up, splendid corners, TO RENT.
6 ROOM HOUSE-Fort street \$22.00
8 ROOM HOUSE-Mensies Call
LOANS
\$1,500 and \$5,000, immediately, on good security.
FOR SALE
Governments under the head a cent a word each insertion.
BEAUTIFUL HAND-PAINTED SATIN CUSHION, at Somers, 1012 Government street, by Mrs. J. E. Higgins, of 128 Cook street. Orders taken after holidays.

G. H. REVERCOMB

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE,
618 THROUNCE AVE., VICTORIA, B.C.
FOR SALE-Beautiful 10 roomed modern house, on 2 lots, at a bargain.
5 ACRES-Gorge, water front, splendid location, no rock, all cleared, 100 acres.
ALL MODERN 6 ROOMED COTTAGE-In centre of city, in good condition.
2 GOOD HOUSES and 3 lots, close in, a bargain.
The most liberal LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE policies written. City canvassers wanted. Liberal commissions.
C. NEWTON YOUNG.
REAL ESTATE AGENT,
DUNEDIN VANCOUVER ISLAND, B.C.
OFFERS FOR SALE
BUSINESS AND BUILDING LOTS.
And
ESSENTIAL PROPERTIES
In
DUNCAN, VICTORIA AND NANAIMO.
Also
FARMS in the Cowichan Valley, Etc. Etc.
WRITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND PARTICULARS.
ARTHUR BELL
PHONE 128. 21 YATES STREET.
WANTED,
TIMBER,
ON
VANCOUVER ISLAND AND MAINLAND, IN SMALL AND LARGE QUANTITIES.

LEE & FRASER

REAL ESTATE AGENTS,
11 THROUNCE AVE., VICTORIA, B.C.
MONEY TO LOAN
In Following Amounts
\$500.00
\$1,000.00
\$1,500.00
\$2,000.00
\$3,000.00
LEE & FRASER,
11 Throunce Avenue.
SWINERTON & ODDY
102 GOVERNMENT ST. Est. 1892.
MONEY TO LOAN ON IMPROVED REAL ESTATE.
SWINERTON & ODDY,
GOVERNMENT STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.
PEMBERTON & SON
625 FORT STREET.
FOR LEASE
125 ACRES,
At Heat Post Office,
Mostly All Good Land,
Down 15 Acres Blashed,
School Adjoins Property,
\$50 Per Year.
SHAKESPEARE STREET.
EIGHT LOTS,
Averaging 1/2 x 125,
Not Far From Car Lines,
\$500 Each,
\$25 Down and \$25 Every Three Months
With Interest at 7 Per Cent.
DUNEDEN STREET & GARBALLY ROAD.
TWO LOTS,
Running From Street to Street,
\$650 Each.
ALDERMAN'S ROAD.
GOOD LOT,
Close to Car Line,
\$275.00.
SYLVIA STREET.
LOT WITH GOOD VIEW,
\$1,000.
Terms \$200 Down and the Balance on Easy Payments.
OAK BAY AVENUE.
LOTS,
Just Past Foul Bay Road,
With 50 Feet Frontage,
\$500.
Terms, \$25 Down and \$25 Every Three Months at 7 Per Cent.
SHOAL BAY.
TWO ACRES
On Montreal Avenue,
Close to Water Front,
\$2,750.
SOUTH PANDORA AVENUE.
TWO LOTS,
Close to Camosun Street,
Good Slope,
\$1,100.
PEMBERTON & SON,
625 FORT STREET.

A. WILLIAMS & CO.

LIMITED.
Established 1882.
REAL ESTATE AGENTS,
104 YATES STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.
PHONE 1384.
21-GOOD 6 ROOMED MODERN HOUSE-And eight lots, 152 ft. x 60 ft., each, several fruit trees, fine lawn \$12,000.
116-NICE 6 ROOMED COTTAGE-And outbuildings, with 1/2 acre fine land \$4,200.
115-NEW 3 ROOMED COTTAGE-Excellent location \$2,200.
115-SPLENDID 14 ROOMED HOUSE-In good order, close in \$6,500.
FIRST-CLASS HOTEL-Well located \$25,000.
FINEST BUILDING SITE in the city \$1,500.
8 of an acre \$7,500.
6-YATES ST.-One of the very best buys in the city, lot 60 ft. x 120 ft., 4 houses, 1/2 cash \$2,500.
2 ROOMED HOUSE-In excellent order, all modern conveniences, two minutes from City Hall \$4,200.
10-ACRES LAND, on Rodwell street and Vining street \$1,200.
12-10 ROOMED MODERN BRICK HOUSE-Street front, well located, stable, close in \$6,200.
12-ROOMED HOUSE-First-class location, 1 acre land, beautiful water front \$4,900.
12-3 STORY HOUSE-In excellent condition, with two acres in potatoes, good cottage and double garage \$2,000.
12-TWO GOOD BUSINESS LOTS AND BUILDING \$1,200.
12-LOTS 50 x 125 ft., good soil, very pleasant location, from \$100 up.
12-ACRES-Improved, good cottage, stable, etc., fine location \$7,500.

R. S. DAY AND B. BOGGS

Established 1890.
42 FORT ST., VICTORIA, B.C.
TO LET.
WOONSTON,
SEVEN-ROOM DWELLING,
ON
ESQUIMALT ROAD,
AT CITY LIMITS.
2 ACRES GROUND.
RENT \$30 PER MONTH.
IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
BELCHER STREET.
NINE-ROOM DWELLING.
LARGE LOT.
POSSESSION 1ST OF JANUARY.
RENT \$30.
FURNISHED 10 ROOM DWELLING.
NEARLY NEW,
WITH UNSURPASSED VIEW.
TENANCY IN FEBRUARY.
BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LIMITED.
40 GOVERNMENT STREET.
\$2,250
Will Purchase
CORNER LOT WITH STORE AND DWELLING.
House Rented at \$25.
A Bargain.
\$1,100.
4-ROOMED HOUSE,
In James Bay,
With Sewer Connections,
Terms.
\$2,200.
5-ROOMED BRICK COTTAGE
And Full Sized Lot.
Handy to City.
Easy Terms.
\$2,900.
LARGE MODERN DWELLING.
Nicely Situated on Car Line.
Lot 46x140.
Terms.
\$400.
LOT,
North Pembroke Street,
Facing South.
\$200
Will Purchase
2 LOTS ON CARRY ROAD,
Close to the Creamery.
GILSON & CO.
REAL ESTATE AND CONFIDENTIAL AGENCY.
P. O. BOX 625. 12 DOUGLAS ST.
\$25 per month, with \$200 cash down, buys a NEW COTTAGE, electric lighted, hot water, bath, sewer connected on two good lots, and a fine corner, close in. \$2,500.
1/2 ACRE corner on Douglas street \$700
1 ACRE on Douglas street, with house, furniture, horse and buggy, etc., all in good shape, easy terms \$1,200
5 GOOD LOTS, Cook street, \$100 cash, balance very easy, at each \$500
COTTAGE, 3 rooms, Victoria West, lots of large fruit trees, evergreens, etc. \$2,400
EMPIRE REALTY CO.
Real Estate and Financial Brokers.
8 YATES ST. VICTORIA, B.C.
BUY LOTS IN
EMPIRE SUB-DIVISION.
\$25.00 CASH.
BALANCE EASY MONTHLY PAYMENTS.
EMPIRE SUB-DIVISION IS THE FINEST HOMESITE IN VICTORIA-CITY
EMPIRE REALTY CO.
HEISTERMAN & CO.
15 GOVERNMENT STREET.
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE.
FOR SALE.
FOR SALE.
COTTAGE-rooms, with lot 50x120, on a good street, all in perfect condition inside and out, modern conveniences, price \$2,000, 1/2 cash, balance on easy terms.
MODERN BUNGALOW-Six rooms, lot 58x125, excellent location, now in course of construction, will make alterations if required to suit purchaser; first-class plumbing, basement and attic, a fine chance to get a nice, comfortable home for a small family. Particulars on application.
MONEY TO LOAN.
REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND OTHERS
To insure quick sales of property, you should get them photographed by
FLEMING BROS.
Maps and plans copied or blue printed.
Enlargements from films or prints in any size. Finishing and supplies for amateurs.
Sodas for sale or Mrs.
PHONE 1384. 104 GOVERNMENT ST.
Buy the Times

No Matter
How good a store you have, there are many who do not know about it, and a fair and interesting statement about your business and the goods you have to offer, will be real information to a larger number than you would ever think possible. The cost compared with the expense of conveying your store news is infinitesimal.

S. A. BAIRD
REAL ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENT.
NEW ADDRESS, 110 DOUGLAS ST.
160 ACRES at Salt Spring Island, six acres cleared, good shack, wagon road through property; living stream runs through the property. Price \$1,600.
NORTH PARK STREET, 6 roomed house, modern conveniences, \$2,500.
COLLINS STREET, 7 roomed 1-1-2 story house, with all conveniences, \$1,700.
PEMBROKE STREET, cottage in good repair, \$1,200.
HILLSIDE AVE.-New residence, 7 rooms, modern conveniences, \$2,000.
NEW MODERN SEVEN ROOMED BUNGALOW-James Bay, good basement and furnace. This makes a first-class home. \$2,500.

The Seamen's Institute
15 LANGLEY STREET.
Free reading room for seamen and seafaring men. Open daily from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Sunday, 4 to 5 p. m.
J. E. PAINTER
GENERAL TEAMSTER,
WOOD AND COAL at Current Rates.
Wood cut any required length by electric machinery. Truck and Dray work promptly attended to.
RESIDENCE, 1, PINE ST., V. W.

TRAFALGAR INSTITUTE.
(Caffiliated to McGill University)
83 SIMPSON ST., MONTREAL.
For the higher education of young women, with Preparatory Department for girls under 15 years of age.
President-Rev. Jas. Barclay, D. D.
Vice-President-Van. J. G. Norton, D. D.
Archdeacon of Montreal.
Principal-Miss Grace Fairley, M. A.
The Institute will re-open TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER, at noon.
Examinations for new school year will be held at the school on Saturday, 14th September, at 10 o'clock, a. m. For Prospectus, apply to the Principal, or to A. F. RIDDELL, Secretary, North British and Mercantile Building, 25 St. Francis Xavier St., Montreal.

THE BEST

Of housewives get tired of failures, especially when the fault is generally in the quality of the

TEA

Used. By ordering the perfectly blended

DIXI TEA

At 35c. and 50c. per lb., success is always assured.

DIXI H. ROSS & CO.

THE INDEPENDENT GROCERS.

Trevor Keene
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER

Salesrooms, 77 and 79 Douglas St.

Sales Conducted

TREVOR KEENE Auctioneer
Tel. 4742.

AUCTION SALE

Retiring from Business

W. JONES, AUCTIONEER, instructed by F. LANDSBERG, will sell by auction on the premises

43 JOHNSON STREET,

the entire valuable stock, including Unredeemed Pledges, Jewelry of every description, Watches, Musical and Optical goods, Sextants, Antiques, Oriental Bronzes, Guns, Pistols, Antique Swords, Indian Curios, Show Cases, etc. Sale commencing Saturday, 14th inst., at 2:30 p. m., continuing at 7:30 p. m. and every successive day till the stock is sold out.

Messrs. Williams & Janion
Duly instructed by MR. A. L. STURGEON, will sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

—ON—
TUESDAY, DEC. 31st,
At 2 p. m.,

The whole of his

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

The auctioneer, Stewart Williams

WE BUY AND SELL
If you have SECOND-HAND FURNITURE AND EFFECTS to sell or want to buy, it will pay you to see us.

W. C. KERR 710 Yates St.
Est. 1888. 3 Doors Above Douglas.
Look us up for first-class AIR-TIGHT HEATERS AND STOVES.

Coal Coal Coal

J. KINGHAM & CO.
VICTORIA AGENTS FOR

New Wellington Coal

MINED BY THE NANAIMO COLLIERIES—
At Current Rates.

SHED NUT CO.— Large size. A good fuel for Cook Stoves and Baseburners. Also BANFF ANTHRACITE.

Telephone 647.
OFFICE: 34 BROAD STREET

Close Shave and an Easy One

Gillette's Safety Razors \$5.00

Ward's Safety Razors \$5.00

B. C. HARDWARE CO., COR. YATES & BROAD STS.
Phone 22. P. O. Box 652.

SPECIAL

We have still a few left of those CHOICE MALAGA TABLE

Cluster Raisins

The quality and size beats all others on the market. AT 35c. PER BOX.

The West End Grocery Co. Ltd.

We solicit a trial order. Satisfaction guaranteed. Phone 88. 42 Government Street.

Maynard & Son
AUCTIONEERS.

Instructed by MR. J. HASTIE, we will sell without reserve,

BALANCE OF STOCK.

HASTIE'S FAIR
Broad St., opp. our Salerooms,

To-morrow
FRIDAY, 2 P.M. AND 8 P.M.

The entire balance of this stock must be closed out.

MAYNARD & SON,
Auctioneers.

A. J. WINSTONE

Dealer in second hand Furniture, Stoves, Heaters, Crockery, etc. A call solicited. Phone A139, 53 Blanchard near Yates.

RESUMING WORK
IN SHORT TIME

TYEE SMELTER IS
UNDERGOING CLEANING

Shipments of Ore Arriving Constantly and Operations Will Soon be Renewed

The overhauling of the Tyee smelter at Ladysmith is now in progress and within a short time the works will blow in again and commence the treatment of ore.

Every year it is found necessary to close down for the cleaning up, process and the making of the necessary repairs. This done the smelter is in first class shape to proceed with the treatment of the supply.

Ore is being received steadily at the works so that when the company starts up work again there will be a good supply on hand to begin with.

The Tyee company ever since the smelter was erected has had a very successful history.

The works have been kept going almost continuously, the only interruptions being the stoppage as at the present time for necessary repairs.

OVER 625 KNOTS A DAY.

C. S. Swan, of Swan, Hunter & Wigbam-Richardson, builders of the Mauritania, who had travelled to New York and back on the second voyage of the great liner, commented on the adverse conditions experienced, and said when everything got into thorough working order and the men got accustomed to the ship she would undoubtedly make new records.

"Captain Pritchard," remarked a Press Association representative to Mr. Swan at Liverpool, "is reported to have said on arrival at New York that the Mauritania will cover 625 knots a day later on. Does your experience go to confirm that?" "Yes," answered Mr. Swan. "I think she will do more than 625."

POTATOES POTATOES
For a good cooking or baking article we have them at
\$1.50 PER 100 LBS.

SYLVESTER FEED CO., 709 YATES.

PETER McQUADE & SON
IMPORTERS OF

Ship Chandlery, Plough Steel, Wire Rope Galvanized, Cotton and Wool Waste, Launch Supplies, Gasoline, Motor and 74 per cent.

1214 (78) Wharf Street, Victoria, B. C.

YELLOW AND WHITE WILL NOT MIX

(Continued from page 1.)

number of Japanese to our shores, and apparently we were helpless to stop the influx. People living east of the Rocky Mountains cannot understand or appreciate the position we look. We saw coming to our shores these numbers of Japanese, apparently prepared to settle in thousands more, who would oust our people from our country. That may be said to be a strong view and the average man will tell you that it is a very extreme one.

But, Sir, we have in British Columbia a country rich beyond the dreams of avarice. Its mines are rich, it has fertile valleys and teeming fisheries, all of which are waiting to be developed. It is a country with a territory of 387,000 square miles and less than one person to every square mile. Within two weeks' journey of that country across the Pacific is another country, with a territory of only 10,000 square miles, and a population of 46,000,000 people, or 460 people per square mile. They see in British Columbia a country in which they can make as many as one day as they can in their own in a week, and where they will enjoy every privilege of a country only waiting for the hand of man to develop it. It has been said that the Japanese will not come to us because they have Korea and the southern Manchurian peninsula to go to since the Russian war. But Korea is a poor country and Manchuria is already in the hands of the Manchurians and the Japanese cannot get them. There is nowhere any country in which they can do so well as the Pacific coast, and that country is the El Dorado, where they hope to make a great deal of money and still remain Japanese. You may say that is no reason why we should object to them. Well, I am not objecting to them because they are industrious and diligent, but on broader grounds. It is not the million white people are as yet but a small community. We have an immense heritage and a great future, but no country can be great which depends solely upon the riches of its soil and its mines and its wealth in lumber and fisheries. No country can become great whose people are not great. You cannot build up a great country by mixing the Occident and the Orient together. It is impossible to bring about a direct opposition in views as the Oriental and the Caucasian. It is just as impossible to do this as to mix oil and water. Perhaps in two hundred, three hundred or four hundred years, some amalgamation may take place, but in that time your history will be written in bloodshed, and we cannot afford to allow any considerable number of people to come to our shores out of whom we cannot make good Canadian subjects. That may seem to some members of this House to be exceedingly strong language, but I am convinced that if we are to have a great nation in Canada, if we are to leave to our children and our children's children, it must be a country developed by the white races of our land; it never can be done by letting down the bars to the free and easy access of the hundreds and thousands and millions of Orientals who are ready to come to our shores.

Reverting to the position in Canada at the time the treaty became effective, it may be said that there was then no Oriental question bothering us in British Columbia. It may be said that the local legislature in every session for the last eight or ten years has passed and re-passed an act which practically prohibited Orientals coming into the country. I accept that as a fact. It has been passed, but there are few men in the British Columbia legislature who are many enough to get up and say that they were merely embodying laws on the statute books because that was an act entirely beyond the purview of the local legislature, and for that reason was of no effect. The British Columbia legislature can pass Natal Acts, which are only educational tests, until the crack of doom; they will never stop one Oriental from coming into the country. To carry that question to its logical conclusion, they may watch the border line of our country and our passports, but they must not forget that British Columbia borders on the province of Alberta, and they cannot prevent Orientals from coming into the province from another province. I do not think it requires the training of a constitutional lawyer to recognize the fact that the province of British Columbia was entirely outside its jurisdiction when it passed the Natal Act; the only authority that can handle this question is the federal government at Ottawa, and to the federal government at Ottawa we look for the solution of this problem.

The British Columbia government in passing the Natal Act arrogated to itself a power entirely outside their sphere, that is, the regulation of immigration into the province. Now, Sir, the passing of the Natal Act has become a hardy annual in the province of British Columbia. There have been very few members in that province who would care to get up and declare that they were wasting their time and going

outside their prerogative in passing such an act, for the reason, apparently, that they were afraid their action might be misconstrued when it came to the point of facing their electors at a re-election. However, I maintain that the Natal Act, so far as British Columbia is concerned, is just so much waste paper. The only authority who can satisfy us on this question is the federal government at Ottawa.

The reason why the people of British Columbia are so strongly opposed to Oriental immigration is not far to seek. I remember very well when I first went to British Columbia twenty years ago that the hands of white men and Indians were very few. Orientals engaged in that industry. Mining also was in the hands of white men, and the lumber industry was entirely in the hands of white men. These are the three principal industries of our province, and we have endeavored, so far as we possibly could, to keep them in the hands of white men. The first step was to take the Fraser river, that one time employed five or six thousand white men and Indians, are to-day entirely in the hands of the Japanese; you will see three or four thousand Japanese engaged in that industry and very few white men. The canneries are entirely in the hands of the Orientals; so far as the fisheries of British Columbia are concerned they are to-day entirely in the hands of the Orientals. If these people were to take it into their heads at any time to stop work, there would be no fish caught, and no fish canned in Canada. This is a rather serious phase of the question, that one of the biggest industries we have in our province is entirely in the hands of Orientals, when it might just as well be entirely in the hands of white men who would help to build up the country. Now, if that is the case, why is it that no other part of this great Canada has been obliged to bring in Orientals to develop their industries? Why does not the province of Alberta require them? Why does not the province of Saskatchewan require them, or the province of Manitoba, or the old province ever attempted to bring in Orientals to build up any other part of Canada. I think the cry that you must have cheap labor by Orientals to work in the different industries in the province of British Columbia, is the curse of our country to-day. I maintain that we have as much right to say to the rest of Canada that they shall have Orientals as the rest of Canada has to say that British Columbia shall have them. Another reason why we object to Orientals is that we are a buffer province of Canada. It seems when we read of the Rocky Mountains that we find a different view point prevailing; everything is viewed from a different standpoint west of the Rocky Mountains. They appear to be the dividing line. During the troubles we had in British Columbia this summer we found little or no sympathy, either from public men or from the business men of the Rocky Mountains. The sympathy we found was entirely along the Pacific coast. We found a lot of sympathy down on the American side, and the Americans found sympathy on our side when they had the same troubles that we had. The American people on the Pacific coast did not find any sympathy east of the Rocky Mountains, neither did we in Canada find any sympathy east of the Rocky Mountains. Now, Mr. Speaker, when I state that the people of eastern Canada fall to grasp the seriousness of this question in British Columbia and as it affects the Pacific coast, I make a statement that is well backed up by facts. Had there been a few more ship loads of Oriental immigrants, such as we saw in the city of Vancouver when 1,100 were landed in one day, had we had a recurrence of that four or five times, I myself, Mr. Speaker, am afraid to say what the consequences might have been for the rest of Canada. I am afraid to say how long we would have stood quiet seeing our country flooded with Orientals, and being told that we must submit to it, because it was necessary in the interest of British connection. I am of the opinion that there is no British connection strong enough to justify any part of Great Britain, sacrificing itself for the sake of such connection. Now that may be a strong statement to make, but we have an evidence of that fact in the history of British people. The man who says that we must endure this for the sake of an ally of Great Britain, that we must sacrifice any part of Canada for that purpose, is saying something which is not borne out by the facts of history. I say that no part of Canada should be sacrificed on account of that treaty, and I do not believe the treaty calls upon us to make a sacrifice to that extent. We believe that legislation can be passed by that government which will remove for all time any danger of a further influx of Orientals into our country. The Japanese are not the only people we object to; we also object to Hindus, but we are told we must allow them to come in

because India is a British possession. Well, Sir, Hindus cannot go into Australia, and that is a British possession. Hindus cannot go into New Zealand, and that is a British possession. They cannot go into Natal, and that is a British possession. Surely we in Canada can afford to make laws against the influx of Orientals as any other part of the Empire.

This is a question, Mr. Speaker, that I have a great deal of difficulty in approaching in a calm and satisfied manner. I think I could make myself a little better understood if I were outside of this House. I find that I have a little difficulty in restraining myself when we are told that we must, for the sake of peace and quietness, accept the situation and that we are powerless, and helpless. I say that we are neither helpless nor powerless, and so long as I have a voice in the public affairs of this country so long shall I raise my voice against any further Oriental immigration into this Dominion. We have at the present time, Mr. Lemieux, one of our ministers, over in Japan treating with the Japanese government, seeing if proper arrangements can be made and seeing if the Japanese government will pass such legislation themselves as will stop any further influx of Japanese into Canada. I maintain that we have to do our part as well. I maintain that we have to keep our fence up and meet them half way in their keeping their fence up, if the Japanese government say they will not allow any more Japanese to come to our country beyond a certain number, as they said in a letter to the government in 1902, then there is no reason why the Japanese government should object to our saying that none but those who are holding passports from Japan to Canada shall be allowed to land; so that it would be impossible for us to have a recurrence of the practice of using the Island of Honolulu as a bridge from Japan to Canada. If we do not stop the influx into Canada I maintain that we will soon find a greater number of Orientals in British Columbia than white people. I maintain that in a very short time, we would lose a very important part of Canada if any trouble should ever arise between the Orient and Great Britain. The Japanese, Chinese and Hindus would have a surplus of population as compared with the white people in our province, and they would have no difficulty in taking possession of the Pacific coast. It is my opinion that the yellow peril is much closer than the people of this country have any appreciation of. Even if it is not, it is a wise precaution, on the part of our government in view of what has taken place in the last few months, to take such measures as shall practically and thoroughly stop any further influx such as we have had during the last few months. The city of Vancouver has given an object lesson to the rest of Canada. I am not in sympathy with popular outbreaks, which suggest the idea of a riot, because we are a law-abiding people, and we endeavor to protect those who come to our shores, but if a few more shiploads of these Orientals come it will only intensify that feeling and an intensification of that feeling would work disaster for the rest of Canada.

HOLIDAY EFFECT ON STOCK MARKET

Transactions on Wall Street insignificant—Decline in New York Central.

New York, Dec. 26.—Wall street 10 a.m. Opening—Business in stocks after the holiday was insignificant. The decline in New York Central affected the general tone, and Missouri Pacific fell 1/2. There was a sufficient mixture of small gains, however, to give the market an irregular appearance. The London stock market remained closed, and this subtracted from the usual source of business.

Ruling Prices.

New York, 11 a.m.—The stock market opened irregular with the following prices: Amal. Copper, 45 1/2; Amn. Smelt- ing, 7 1/4; Aitch, 70 1/4; Bando, 81; Brooklyn, 35; Mop, 41; N. X. C., 3/4; Nor. Pac., 11 1/2; Penna., 10 1/2; Reading, 9 1/2; St. Paul, 10 1/2; Sugar, 9 1/2; So. Pac., 7 1/2; Railway, 22 1/2; Up, 11 1/2; Ues., 25 1/2; U. S. Pfd., 87 1/2.

SPEED OF WIRELESS.

With the consent of Mr. Marconi, the London press correspondents at Chiffen, the Irish station for the transmission of Atlantic wireless messages, and at Port Morien (Glasgow), the Nova Scotia station, have been conducting a series of tests to ascertain the actual speed of wireless transmission. Monday at Port Morien is reckoned as 3:35 p. m. at Chiffen and 4 p. m. in London. A message from Port Morien was received and deciphered in Chiffen and then it was transmitted to Canada in the space of exactly two minutes. These figures are supplied by a Chiffen correspondent. A Port Morien correspondent, in a message also sent by wireless (and which went from Port Morien to London in a little over an hour), supplements the account of the test by saying: "Grand success of test. I sent a message to correspondents at Chiffen and received a reply in five minutes. Mr. Marconi complains of trouble with the land wires. Everything working splendidly." The test message referred to was dispatched from Port Morien at 11:40 a. m. (3:40 p. m. English time), and though it reached Chiffen in the time above indicated, did not reach London until 4:28 p. m. This would seem to justify Mr. Marconi's complaint of the slowness of the land wires on both sides. Apart from the tests, the Port Morien correspondent sent a news message of seventy-three words relating to the Newfoundland fisheries. Dispatched at 2 p. m. (Greenwich time), it reached Chiffen at 2:27 p. m., and London at 3:12 p. m.

Red seems to be the most popular of national colors, it flags most used as criterions. Of the 23 leading national flags 19 have red in them. No other color is so much used.

COLD NIGHTS
WON'T WORRY YOU IF YOU HAVE ONE OF THESE

LAST WINTER, when the cold snap struck this town, there was a rush to this store for Foot Warmers. We sold our whole stock in short order, and besides—our stock of Foot Warmers made for buggies, sleighs, etc. When they couldn't get the "real thing," they wanted something as near like it as possible. They knew they couldn't get anything better—because there isn't.

If you have ever used one of our DOULTON FOOT WARMERS, you know how much superior they are to all other kinds. You know what a lot of comfort you get for such a small outlay of cash. They cost very little, and they'll last a lifetime. First cost is the only cost, too.

We lately received a big shipment of these and we advise that you get one now. Should the thermometer suddenly drop our whole stock will disappear in a rush. It's better to be prepared than sorry. Act now!

Two Sizes, at each \$1.00 and \$1.25

YOUR CHINA CLOSET IS YEARNING FOR THESE

The holidays over, we must necessarily put our house in order—clean up all the odd bits, that the inventory sheets may be less bulky.

A grand opportunity is presented to fill that space in the china-closet, long reserved for some special object. A genuine decisive reduction on all holiday merchandise still unsold—and we considered every piece a splendid value at its original price.

Come in early, as we expect this week's end will find them gone.

THERE'S ANOTHER HOLIDAY—NEW YEAR'S

and, it has its redeeming features, even though some people say we have too many holidays. One of its good points is that it comes seven days after the greatest gift-exchanging day in the calendar, and it gives one the opportunity of making amends for any oversight in gift-making at Christmas—for such things happen in the general excitement.

You can get more for the money this week, which will more than compensate for your oversight in the mind of the recipient.

WEILER BROS.
Complete Home Furnishers. Victoria

Are You Building a Boat.
IF SO, WE AGAIN REMIND YOU THAT WE HAVE THE MOST COMPLETE STOCK IN THE CITY OF

Galvanized and Brass Boat Fittings Galvanized Bolts and Log Screws Galvanized and Copper Nails Copper Paint and Enamel Paint

E. B. MARVIN & CO.
SHIP CHANDLERS 74 WHARF STREET

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

DRIARD.

J. W. Bryant, Duncan; Jas. Savers, Glasgow; F. G. Billings and wife, Sidney; E. Richardson, Nelson; G. Hilliard, Ladysmith; S. Tingley, Ashcroft; F. S. Ward, Seattle; Hearty Samuel McKenna, F. McCarion, H. E. Willis, M. V. Hawkins and wife.

KING EDWARD.

H. H. McConkey, Winnipeg; F. J. Boynton, Nanaimo; W. H. Litcher, Nanaimo; W. J. Bathgate, Vancouver; Chas. Morrison, Harrogate; Frank J. Blackburn, Wapleson; Jas. T. Hewitt, J. MacDougal, J. W. Bartlett, Calgary; H. H. Porter, Vancouver; J. C. Curtis, T. Newby, J. Taylor, Dan Taylor, F. Goldie, N. Saanich; W. S. Sutton, San Francisco; W. J. Clugston, Seattle; G. H. Wilson, A. D. B. Scott, Yorkshire; Grover Sweeney, Toronto; E. H. Clegg, Vancouver; M. Falotto, F. MacDougal, Mrs. MacDougal, J. T. Little, Vancouver; Frank J. Smith, Kamloops; Ira P. Robinson, Armstrong; W. T. Robinson, Armstrong; W. R. Knowles, Vernon.

DOMINION.

C. Van Horn, Seattle; Jas. Mowat and wife, Seattle, Wash.; Miss R. J. Green, Seattle, Wash.; H. E. Willis, McKenna, Wash.; Henry C. Simonds, McKenna, Wash.; Jas. Townsend, Chicago, Ill.; F. W. MacEachron, McKenna, Wash.; McCullum, Vancouver; B. G. Mrs. S. Warren Shaw, Darlington, Wis.; Miss Bessie Chapman, Tacoma, Wash.; Louis A. Ryno, Seattle, Wash.; W. Rossie and wife, Seattle, Wash.; S. Borrowman, Seattle, Wash.; R. J. Fisher, Seattle, Wash.; C. Cuthbertson, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. W. R. Kyle, Vancouver, B. C.; J. Strangcombe, Minneapolis, Minn.; J. A. Pelham and wife, Seattle, Wash.; A. McMaik and wife, Seattle, Wash.; N. R. Lehner, Chateaugay, Que.; M. J. Wheeler, West, N.D.; K. M. Lee Russell, Chicago, Ill.; Geo. McKay, Vancouver; E. H. Clegg, Vancouver.

QUEEN'S

A. Morrow, Esquimalt; C. H. Yalton, London, Eng.; W. C. Garner, Denton, N. C.; C. T. Laughlin, Winnipeg; George Jackson, Ladysmith; E. Martin, London, Ont.; W. Eastman, London, Ont.; P. G. Ritchie, Toronto; D. E. Ritchie, Toronto; James Allison, Brockville; G. McPhee, Brockville; John Clark, Matiland; A. Austin, Vancouver; F. Curtis, Vancouver; A. Cameron, Seattle; F. W. Dunning, Stratford, Va.; J. G. Ewing, city; Mr. Duncker, S. S. Indravelli; H. Fennie, Seattle; S. H. French and wife, Seattle; John Simperly, Esquimalt; Frank O'Brien, Ta-

coma; John Vernon, Tacoma; Claud Hooper, Bellingham; A. Atkins, Saanich; W. Atkins, Saanich; R. D. Mann, Toronto; H. Wadsworth, Portland; H. Reynolds, Portland; E. B. Williams, Esquimalt; L. Lashams, Esquimalt; S. Plant, Comox; D. Lord, Belleville, Ont.

WEATHER BULLETIN.
Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.6; temperature, 41; minimum 41; wind, W., velocity 16; rain or snow, .2; weather, cloudy.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.5; temperature, 38; minimum 34; wind, calm; rain or snow, .8; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.1; temperature, 28; minimum 20; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, cloudy.
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.3; temperature, 44; minimum 44; wind, S. W., velocity, 12; rain or snow, 1.2; weather, fair.
Seattle—Barometer, 29.2; temperature, 42; minimum 40; wind, S. E.; velocity, 10; rain or snow, .2; weather, fair.
San Francisco—Barometer, 29.9; temperature, 55; minimum 45; wind, S. W., velocity, 8; rain or snow, .14; weather, rain.

Weather Synopsis.

A southerly storm developed yesterday on the Vancouver island coast, causing fresh to strong winds on the straits and sound, and a heavy sea with hourly wind velocity of 54 miles at the mouth of the Columbia river. The storm area has moved into Alberta and Montana and the pressure is slowly rising in this district. The rainfall has been general and heavy, and snow fell on the higher plateau lands of Oregon. In the prairie provinces the weather is cold and unsettled, with light snowfall at Edmonton and Regina.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday: Victoria and vicinity—Moderate or fresh southerly winds, unsettled and cold, with rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, unsettled and cold, with rain or snow.

ANNA AND BRUNEL SAFE.
Two vessels have been withdrawn from the overdue list, the barque Brunel having arrived at her destination from Pisagua, which port she left on June 29th for Europe, and the barque Anna, another overdue, being reported safe. The Brunel was up for reimbursement at six and the Anna at eight per cent.