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Opera Glasses
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Silver Brushes and Mirrors
Beautiful Rings,
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THE LATEST FOR XMAS

Come and Get What You Want Now and Have It Put Away.

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HOLIDAY ITEM - - - HANDKERCHIEF SALE

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HANDKERCHIEFS

50 doz. Handkerchiefs, in Fancy Boxes, 20c, 30c, 40c, 50c, to \$2 box.
60 doz. Handkerchiefs, Embroidered, 10c. to \$1 each.
15 doz. Handkerchiefs, Lace Edges, 12 1/2c. to 65c. each.
30 doz. Handkerchiefs, Initial, \$2.75 per dozen (linen hem stitch).
150 doz. Handkerchiefs, Hem Stitched, 5c. to 50c. each.

These goods have been imported expressly for the Xmas season trade. Prices are not to be beaten and qualities are the best for the money in every instance.

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My Mamma

Uses Dix's cleaned Currants, Valencia Raisins, English Peel, to make her Plum Pudding. They are sweet, fat and juicy.

Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs. for 25c.
Muscatel Raisins, 4 lbs. for 25c.
Muscatel Raisins, 3 lbs. for 25c.
English Mixed Peel, 20c.
Table Raisins, 15c.
Mixed Nuts, 20c.
Mince Meat, 2 lbs. for 25c.
Boiled Cider, 25c.

Bring the little ones out Friday evening, 7 to 8. We will amuse them.

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FOR 1898

Have arrived.

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FANCY BORDERED SILK HANDKERCHIEFS
NOBBY NECKWEAR THE FINEST EVER SEEN IN VICTORIA.
UMBRELLAS, SUSPENDERS, GLOVES

All suitable for Xmas Gifts. Going fast. See window in a day or two.

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No. 137 Quadra Street, 9 rooms, all modern conveniences. \$25.00 per mo.
No. 138 Chatham Street, 8 rooms, all modern conveniences. \$17.50 per mo.
No. 134 Chatham Street, 8 rooms, unfurnished. \$12.50 per mo.

Apply No. 40 Government St.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A girl to help in family. Apply Mrs. Hammerman, No. 10 St. Louis St.

IF THE PERSON WHO TOOK the overcoat from the Forrester's hall, A.O.U.W., last night, does not return it at once to the janitor he will be prosecuted as he is known.

AT POPULAR PRICES—Just arrived, Manilla Turkeys; also Geese, Ducks and Chickens for Christmas; Sweet Pickled Hams, 12 1/2c.; Fine Imported Eggs, 25c. Robert Eccles, City Market.

CLOTHING AND FURNITURE at W. Jones's Auction Rooms at 2 o'clock Saturday, December 15th. de15-21

AUCTION of nearly new costly Furniture and Real Estate, at 2 o'clock Monday, 16th day of Dec. W. Jones, auctioneer.

STOP until Wednesday next and buy your Xmas gifts of Jewellery, Silverware and notions at Jones' Auction Rooms.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—On Richmond Avenue, two-story house, situated in a good order; most desirable dwelling. Apply Daily & Claxton, 64 Yates street.

REGBY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP—Victoria vs Nanaimo Hornets, at Galedonia grounds next Saturday, 12th. 2-45 sharp. Admission 25c. Grand stand free. de15-21

EIGHTY-FIVE CENTS BUYS A DOLLAR tin of Mellor's Carriage Paint, ready mixed. Requires no varnishing. Paint your buggy while its cheap. Mellor, 76-78 Fort street.

MELLOR'S MIXED PAINTS—Absolutely pure and full Imperial measure guaranteed, \$1.50 per gallon. Mellor's Fort Paints same price. J. W. Mellor, 76-78 Fort street.

500—No. 1 double screened household coal, per ton of 2,000 pounds, delivered to any part of the city. Hall, Gospel & Co., 100 Government street. Telephone call No. 53.

BOXING GLOVES, Punching Bags, Footballs, etc., new stock at J. Barnsley's, 110 Government street.

GOLF BALLS and BOXING GLOVES—A new stock just received by Henry, Sherris & Sons, Gunmakers, 72 Douglas street.

SECOND-HAND GUNS bought and sold. Ammunition always on hand at Sherris's Hardware, 57 Johnson street. de15

Victoria Flour & Rice Mills.

Notice is hereby given that any persons having claims against the Victoria Flour and Rice Mills of this city, are required to mail them to the Mount Royal Milling and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., immediately before the 1st day of January, proximo.

JOHN DILLON, Liquidator. de15

XMAS PRESENTS We have a fine assortment of Toys, Games, Leather Travelling Cases, Roger & Galton's Perfumes, etc.

HALL & CO. Dispensing Optician, Clarence Block, cor. Yates and Douglas Sts

Take the **ALL-CANADIAN ROUTE** To 55 Fort St.

to have your Umbrellas re-handled, re-covered and repaired. Keys fitted and locks repaired in any part of the city on short notice. Every description of keys in stock or made to order. Any mechanical repairs.

J. WAITES. 55 Fort St.

BAKER & COLSTON (LATE O. GAWLEY & CO.) Warehouse office, Belleville St., James Bay.

Cool Wood. Double screened Alexandra Coal. \$5.00 ton. Do. Sack or Lump, Wellington. \$6.00 ton. First Quality Dry Cordwood. \$3.50 cord. Full weight and measure guaranteed. All orders executed day received. Telephone in name, Gawley & Co., No. 407.

MIRRORS RE-SILVERED. Work Guaranteed.

J. W. MELLOR. 76-78 Fort St.

AUCTION
At sale-rooms, Douglas street.
Friday, December 17,
AT 2 O'CLOCK

Unpolished Lounges, Arm and Rocking Chairs, Seating, One and other Rockers, Dining Table, Centre Tables, Chairs, Bed Sets, Mattresses, Sewing Machine, Bed Lounges, Baby Buggy, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, Crockery, Glassware, Curtains, Albert Bangle, 3 Cook Stoves, Heating Stoves, Grindstone, Pictures, etc. Music Box, Victoria Musical Figure (suitable for show window); also Gray Horse.

No reserve. Terms Cash.

High Life Cigarettes
Are in Quality and Price Without Exception the Very Best Made.
AT **H. L. SALMON'S.**

AMERICAN NEWS.

New York, Dec. 15.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer *Prinseland* from Antwerp was Jules de Bertrand de Francoville, Belgian consul-general to Canada.

COAL OR WOOD—Leave orders with Munn, Holland & Co., Broad street, opposite British. de15

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TWENTY-TWO ARE MISSING

Steamer *Cleveland* Wrecked on Barclay Sound, on the West Coast.

Passengers and Crew Take to the Boats, Only One of Which Reaches Land.

The Other Three, Containing the Mates, Crew and Three Passengers, Are Missing.

Broke Her Shaft When Two Days Out From San Francisco and Drifted North.

FROM THE CAPITAL

Tarte Decides That He Engineered a Coalition Scheme Between Chapleau and Laurier.

Regulations Issued Governing the Printing of Advertisements on Postal Cards.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Francis Langelier is reported in the *Montreal Star* to have said that Hon. Mr. Tarte was engineering a coalition scheme between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lieut.-Governor Chapleau. To this Mr. Tarte has authorized the following statement: "Permit me to give my emphatic denial to Mr. Langelier's attributed statements. I did not engineer a scheme of coalition between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Mr. Chapleau. I did not ask anybody to support any scheme of the kind, and since I am a member of Sir Wilfrid's cabinet I never had with Chapleau any relations that are not to the full knowledge of the prime minister."

The report which comes from Quebec that there was an idea of coalition in Quebec between Laurier and Chapleau is wholly incorrect. The story, which was started by Pecaud, is wholly untrue.

At a meeting of the cabinet yesterday Dunsmuir, J. McTavish, of Lindsay, Ont., was appointed judge of the county of Ontario, pro tem, in place of Judge Dartnall, who was attacked with paralysis.

The post office department has issued regulations according to which designs, illustrations, sketches or other forms of advertisement may be engraved or printed on the address side of one-cent private postcards. A clear space of at least a quarter of an inch shall be left along each side of the four sides of the postage stamps. There shall be reserved for the address a clear space at the lower right hand corner on the address side of the card, immediately below the words: "This space below is reserved for address only," such space so reserved for the address being at least three-quarters of an inch long by one and a half inches wide.

INDIANS LOOT THE WRECK, TAKING ALL LOOSE ARTICLES AND BROACH THE CARGO.

They Attempt to Delay the Purser's Trip for Assistance by Upsetting His Canoe.

The steamer *Cleveland* is stranded in Barclay Sound, and three boats containing 20 members of her crew and two passengers are missing. The captain, purser, chief engineer, one passenger and a boat's crew, reached Uclulet after spending a night in an open boat with a big storm raging.

This is the story told by Purser Siebroke, who arrived at Nanaimo at three o'clock this morning from Alberni, and came to Victoria on the noon train.

The *Cleveland*, an iron steamer of 730 tons, owned by Charles Nelson, of San Francisco, and running between that city and the Sound, left the Golden Gate on the 4th inst. for Seattle. She had been on her way two days, and was well out to sea when her shaft broke and she was at the mercy of the wind, waves and currents.

For four days she drifted about, buffeted by the storms which have been blowing at intervals off the entrance to the straits, all the time being carried northwards and in towards the Vancouver Island coast. On the night of the 10th she drifted into Barclay Sound, by the west entrance, and dangerously close to Starlight Reef. There was a big sea running, and the wind was blowing great guns. Fearing that she would strike on the reef, and knowing that if she did there would be no hope for them or those in their care, the officers decided to take to the boats. The four boats were therefore lowered and they started out to seek for a place of safety. An attempt was made to land on one of the small islands, but they were unsuccessful. They then started for another island and the Captain's boat made Alpha passage, in which a big surf was breaking. The captain signalled the other boats to follow, but they failed to do so, and it is supposed that, being unable to see the captain's boat after the signals were given, they concluded that she had been swamped.

After that time nothing was seen of the other three boats. Captain Hall landed his boat safely on the beach after running through Alpha passage and they spent the night there. The next morning they made their way to the Indian village at Uclulet, where they were cared for by Mr. John Markowitz, the storekeeper.

In the meantime the steamer had drifted further into the sound, having miraculously escaped striking the many islands and reefs that lay in her passage. However, she had to stop somewhere and this proved to be near Anderson camp, Lyall Point, on the northwest shore of Barclay Sound. As soon as she had been located Captain Hall again took charge, but he found that the Indians had been there before him and had helped themselves to every movable article and had also removed about 100 tons of cargo, including a lot of whiskey, and many were already "gloriously drunk." The personal effects of the crew and passengers, the instruments, and, in fact, everything of value, had been appropriated by the Indians.

After waiting for some time for the other three boats, which did not show up, it was decided to send the purser, George Siebroke, to Alberni to telegraph to Victoria for assistance. Siebroke started out from Uclulet in a boat manned by two Indians, but he did not get far with that crew. Perhaps the Indians did not like to leave a place where there was so much salvage floating around, or perhaps they wanted to delay the arrival of assistance. However, before the canoe had got out of Barclay Sound the canoe was capsized and Siebroke and the two Indians were in the icy water. They all got back to the canoe and by threatening them Siebroke induced the Indians to take him back to Uclulet, where he secured a crew of white men to take him to Alberni. Arrived there he found the wires down, so he came on to Victoria, taking a horse for the trip from Alberni to Nanaimo. He reached Nanaimo at 3 o'clock this morning.

There is little doubt but that the three boats containing twenty members of the crew and two passengers have met with disaster. Two boxes of biscuits and a pillow, believed to have been in the boats, were picked up next morning on the beach, one of the boxes at the entrance

WRECKED AT CARMANAH

A Large Sailing Vessel Piled Up on the Rocks Near Carmanah Point.

HER IDENTITY CANNOT BE ASCERTAINED, UNTIL SOME OF THE MEN ARRIVE.

When the I.M.S. *Empress of India* arrived yesterday evening, Capt. Marshall reported that a three-masted schooner, a lumber vessel, he thought, was piled up on the rocks at a point on the rocky bound west coast, about three miles above Carmanah. As the wires to Carmanah are down, but snags particulars of the wreck are forthcoming, and until the wires are up or some of the crew arrive, her identity must remain a matter of conjecture. The wrecked vessel, Capt. Marshall says, is lying on the rocky beach with her main boom rammed up into the bushes. She did not appear to be taking in water, and the weather was calm and fine. He thought her to be a vessel of from 600 to 700 tons. Two of her sails were furled and the other badly jumbled up. The letters signalled by her as read by the Captain of the *Empress* were J. W. H. C., and according to Lloyd's register the vessel registered under those letters is the *Hattie L. Sheets*, of Philadelphia, an American schooner of 185 tons. The same letters are held by the Norwegian steamer *Dronning Sophie*, but neither of these vessels are thought to be anywhere near Carmanah or in fact, on the west coast of America. The only vessel expected to be in this vicinity is the American bark *Wrestler*, which left Caleta Buena for Victoria on October 10th. The letters under which she is registered are J. V. D. M. She is a vessel of 417 tons and is bringing nitrate for the local powder companies.

JUSTICE IN MEXICO.

Government Has 16 Persons Sued for Inhabitation in a Murder.

In Mexico the law's delays are less vexatious than in the United States, says the *San Francisco Call*. Indeed, one man suing at all about the delay in the administration of Mexican justice. A short time ago a merchant went down into Sonora with between \$6,000 and \$7,000. He stopped over night at a ranch, where he was robbed and murdered. The robbers were caught by the local police, but the magistrate discharged them. Then the government took a hand in the affair. The robbers were caught again and shot immediately. The magistrate was acquitted them, and some distant acquaintance after the fact were shot. In all 16 men were shot.

"If an official that never sometimes deceives us about the salaries he gets," remarked the well-known citizen. "The 'S.'s' replied the lawyer observed: "They may think they do, but they don't." Washington Star.

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Prescription Store Always Open... Pure Drugs and Chemicals... D.E. CAMPBELL FARMY CHEMIST VICTORIA B.C.

STEAMER ALKI DOWN

She Brought One Man From Dawson City—He Has Nothing New to Tell.

Left Two Days After the Dalton Party—No Danger of Starvation Until February.

Seattle, Dec. 14.—News is beginning to come in from Dawson that confirms the statements to the effect that the fatal tales of starvation which have been sent out from the Klondike capital by the correspondents of yellow newspapers there are grossly exaggerated.

Hearn and a party of seven others left Dawson City on October 18, two days after the second section of the Dalton party started on their tedious trip to civilization.

Hearn brings out no news from Dawson other than that brought out by the Dalton party. He was a supposedly valuable claim on Bonanza creek, but he has never worked it.

According to the statements of the passengers on the Alki, packing has been resumed on the Skagway trail. The day the steamer left forty tons of provisions were started over the Skagway trail.

The weather at Skagway has been exceptionally good this winter, the thermometer in the coldest days indicating but four degrees below zero.

A. C. Sands, superintendent of the Northwest Division of the Western Telephone Company, was a passenger down on the Alki.

The Alki had a pleasant trip for this time of year. Following is her full list of passengers: Grace Wilson, W. A. Davis, Ed. Ward, Jack Potts, Saint Cyr, A. Jameson, Mrs. J. D. Brady, Miss Ida Brown, E. A. Webster, John Stanley, R. W. Stevens, W. F. Blue, M. G. Beltzhoover, William Holder and wife, A. C. Sands, Ed. Hearn, Mrs. John Morris, C. Shouly, S. Metcalf, Thomas Moran, R. S. Redfield, C. W. Bonson, H. Emery and seventeen second class.

ALABAMA IRON FOR JAPAN. Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 14.—The Tennessee Coal and Iron Railroad Company have shipped 5000 tons of Alabama pig iron to Pensacola, from whence it will be forwarded to Kobe and Yokohama, Japan.

SHORTAGE IN PETROLEUM. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 13.—E. Strassberg, manager of the Oil Producers' Trust, says that he has just concluded two large sales of California petroleum, one of 20,000 barrels to be delivered in San Francisco.

THEATRICAL CONTROL. San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Friedlander, Gottlieb & Co., proprietors of the Columbia theatre, have signed papers giving them full control of the Baldwin and California theatres in this city, and the MacDonough theatre in Oakland.

STEAMER DISABLED. Plymouth, Eng., Dec. 14.—The French line steamer La Touraine, from New York, Dec. 4th for Havre, and which should have arrived there on Sunday morning, stopped off the Lizard at 4 1/2 this morning and signalled that she was under control. A west bound steamer is assisting the La Touraine.

DOVER CASTLE BURNED. Dover, Eng., Dec. 14.—Dover Castle is on fire. The eastern portion of the castle has been completely gutted and the flames spread to the western portion.

NON-CATHOLIC MARRIAGES. Lima, Peru, via Galveston, Tex., Dec. 14.—The chamber of deputies, having expressed its disapproval of the proposed simple registration of non-Catholics by a large majority, passed a bill sanctioning such marriages on broad principles.

CARLIE'S SISTER DEAD. Toronto, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Janet Carlisle Hanning, sister of Thomas Carlisle, the author, and the last member of the family, died last night in this city aged 85 years.

IF you are tired taking the large, old-fashioned griping pills, try Carlisle's Little Liver Pills and the same result. A man can't stand everything. One pill a dose. Try them.

BETTER MAIL SERVICE

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Two hymns which were special favorites of Mother McKinley were chosen to be rendered by the quartette, Rev. Dr. Milligan, of the Presbyterian church, announced "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and Rev. J. H. H. of the Baptist church, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The quartette also rendered "Lead, Kindly Light."

All about the city and in various numbers was the sorrow over the death of Mother McKinley visible. Flags on the city houses were at half-mast and public buildings have been at half-mast.

Members of the cabinet who came to London to attend the funeral of Mother McKinley reached here on a special train at 9:15 this morning.

A CHICAGO MYSTERY

The Italian Colony Much Excited Over a Strange Death.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—The Italian colony was thrown into a state of great excitement when it was reported that a young man, Paladini, one of the oldest and most highly respected residents in that part of the city, was murdered while on his way to work.

The body had been shipped from Bear, Ala., where the patient went last month with twenty of his fellow countrymen, for whom he had secured positions as section hands on a new railroad.

Among the first to call at the undertaking establishment was Miss Camille Augustin, to whom, it was reported, the body was committed.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Liver Pills, which are made of purest ingredients.

UNION'S DEMAND INDEMNITY. Kansas City, Dec. 14.—Organized labor circles are agog over a demand for \$50,000 indemnity made on the Armour Packing Company by a joint committee representing the Anchor Federal Union, the Firemen's Union and the Union of Beef, Pork and Sheep Butchers.

DEAFNESS. Deafness and noises in the head absolutely cured by the use of Prof. Crompton's Remedy.

THE TONIC. No. 63 Yates Street. Next to Nicholles & Renou's. CARRIES THE LARGEST STOCK OF Toys, Novelties, and Xmas Presents.

REGARDING IMMIGRATION.

Bill Introduced in the Senate to Facilitate Working the Laws.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Senator Fairbanks has introduced a bill in the senate to facilitate the enforcement of the immigration and contract labor laws.

These collectors are empowered to employ the officials of the customs service to enforce such laws and customs officers are authorized to act both as collectors of customs and immigration officers.

ITALY TAKES A HAND.

Long-Standing Claims Against Hayti Are to be Pushed.

New York, Dec. 14.—A dispatch to the Herald from Port au Prince says: More trouble, similar to the Liebers affair, threatens Hayti, and Port au Prince may have to face another menace of bombardment.

The new ministry is looked upon favorably, and it is thought that the proclamation will have good effect in meeting the people, who have been threatening an uprising ever since the late ministry surrendered to Germany's demands.

REGARDING KLONDIKE SHORTAGE.

Washington, Dec. 13.—In answer to the senate resolution calling for such information as the war department possesses relative to the lack of food supplies on the Yukon river, Secretary Alger has submitted a letter detailing his action in sending Captain Ray, of the Eighth Infantry to that country to investigate conditions, and enclosing copies of that officer's report, giving the features which have already been published.

From these reports it would be seen as early as the 1st of September, while en route from Yukon Captain Ray was in receipt of information to the effect that if relief did not come to the district, starvation or at least great privation would be inevitable.

From other sources, including dispatches from the chambers of commerce of Tacoma and Portland, while unofficial, the department believes it is thoroughly reliable. It is ascertained that since the 13th of August, but 195 tons of provisions have reached Dyea's or Chitina by the river, and the boats of the two transportation companies, with 2,000 tons of supplies for that place, were obliged to discharge their freights at Fort Yukon.

ESTERHAZY'S INVESTIGATION. New York, Dec. 13.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: The Esterhazy inquiry is proceeding with the strictest secrecy. It is said, it will take three weeks before it is decided whether the affair will go before a court martial.

The Figaro says that Count Esterhazy had been examined by Mayor Ravary an hour after his arrival at the Chereche Millprison, where the inquiry is taking place. Mathieu Dreyfus was seen to arrive, and it is believed the accused and accuser were confronted.

The investigating officer also saw a number of experts. Latest in the case is for the moment suspended, though the authorities are still guarding the approaches to the bridges, in view of a recurrence of the student demonstration.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Topeka, Kans., Dec. 14.—Dispatches from five towns in Western Kansas state that all that section of the country is in the path of the worst blizzard experienced in years. Thousands of head of cattle are being wintered over on the prairies and are without shelter, many without food.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Upon the motion of District Attorney Barnes W. H. T. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lambert and Minnie Williams, has been ordered by Judge Bahrs to re-appear for sentence to-morrow.

A FORTUNATE PRINTER.

New York, Dec. 13.—James Cave, a printer living at Patterson, N. J., has been notified that he has fallen heir to a fortune of \$30,000 by the death of his grandfather, James Cave, which occurred in Western Missouri on Thanksgiving Day.

Singers, public speakers, actors, and all who are liable to over-tax and irritate the vocal organs, find in Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, a safe, certain, and speedy relief. A timely dose of this preparation has prevented many a throat trouble.

UNITED STATES UNIVERSITY.

Washington City, Dec. 13.—The bill to establish the University of the United States, introduced in both Houses of Congress to-day, in general terms provides for an institution of the highest possible type for the graduates of accredited colleges and universities only, with special reference to the work of original research and investigation in all important fields of inquiry.

The board of regents and at all points where commissioners of immigration are not employed, are charged with enforcing the laws pertaining to immigration and to the importation of laborers under contract.

These collectors are empowered to employ the officials of the customs service to enforce such laws and customs officers are authorized to act both as collectors of customs and immigration officers.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS' CHURCH.

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 13.—Sioux City Christian Scientists three dedicated a new church Sunday, the first of that faith ever built in Iowa. It cost \$6,000, and of which was fully paid when the trustees accepted the building from the contractors.

The local pastor, Miss Clara Schepers, conducted the initial services. Visitors from this and adjoining states were numerous.

MAY LOSE HER EYESIGHT.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—A special to the Tribune from New York says: Mrs. Herman O. Oelrichs, it is said, is threatened with total blindness. Her left eye was wounded on Saturday, Dec. 4th, by a tack falling on it while she was superintending the hanging of some tapestries, and within the last forty-eight hours the condition of both eyes has become most serious and alarming.

There is a hope, of course, that her eyesight may be preserved, but Dr. Knapp, the famous oculist, and two other physicians are attending her, and three trained nurses are in attendance.

CALIFORNIA TRAIN WRECKED. Gilroy, Cal., Dec. 13.—The local north-bound passenger train running between Hollister and Gilroy was wrecked at a point about four miles south of Gilroy about 1 p. m. yesterday. The train which was in charge of G. W. Clark, a veteran conductor, had just slowed up to pass over the long trestle spanning the Pajaro river and had just begun to make good headway when the engine pulling the train jumped the track on an embankment about fifteen feet high. Freeman Kockefeller was the only one injured.

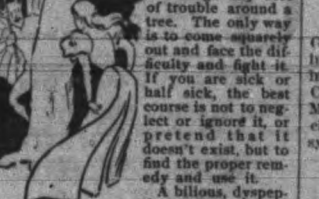
A Mother's Story of Her Little Girl Cured of Croup.

Having tried your medicine my faith is very high in its powers of curing Cough and Croup. My little girl has been subject to the Croup for a long time, and I found nothing to cure it until I gave Dr. Chase's Linseed and Turpentine, which I cannot speak too highly of.

MRS. F. W. BOND, 20 Macdonald Street, Barrie, Ont.

GERMAN SCHOOL SHIPS.

Berlin, Dec. 13.—The German school ships Cabette and Stein, which were engaged in the recent demonstration against Hayti, will leave Port au Prince to-day, the former going to San Domingo and the latter to Havana.



There is no sense in trying to dodge any sort of trouble around a woman. The only way is to come square, it out and face the difficulty and fight it. If you are sick or half sick, the best course is not to neglect or ignore it, or pretend that it doesn't exist, but to find the proper remedy and use it.

A bilious, dyspeptic condition of the system not only makes life miserable, but it is sure to lead to something worse, unless promptly taken in hand and corrected. It is foolish to attempt to dodge such troubles by any mere temporary expedient. The only sensible way is to get rid of them for good and all by a thoroughly rational scientific medicine like Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

It cures all disordered, debilitated conditions by its direct action upon the liver and digestive organs; it gives them power to make fresh, healthy blood free from bilious impurities; it drives all disease germs out of the circulation; it creates solid, muscular flesh and constitutional power.

Lung and throat affections, which are often simply the result of impure, unwholesome blood, are cured by this wonderful "Discovery" in cases where cod liver oil emulsions are useless, because the "Discovery" is readily assimilated by delicate stomachs. It is far superior to malt extracts, because its beneficial effects are permanent.

"Dr. Pierce, I am one of your most grateful patients," writes Mrs. Annie M. Burns, Robinson, Wayne Co., Pa. "I have taken Golden Medical Discovery, also 'Purifier' and 'Pellets' with wonderful results. I am, as many of my friends tell me, like the dead brought to life. The doctors said I had consumption and death was only a matter of time. That was six years ago. I concluded to try your medicine. I continued until I had taken nine bottles of 'Discovery' and several bottles of 'Pellets'. I got well and have done a great deal of hard work since."

When the liver and bowels don't work, the body and brain won't. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a sure, safe, speedy and permanent cure for constipation, and a torpid liver. One "Pellet" is a gentle laxative and two a mild cathartic.

EDDY'S TOILET PAPERS. Made on Hygienic Principles. Sold on Economic Rules. For Hotel, Office and Family Use. J. MITCHELL, Agent, Victoria and Vancouver.

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Our Calendars. From the Old Country will be here about NEW YEAR. Eighteen different kinds. Purchasers of \$3.50 worth will be entitled to one, and regular customers are requested to leave their orders.

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NOTICE. It is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of developing and turning to commercial use the iron ore deposits situated upon and near the coast line of the Province of British Columbia, and to that end to construct blast furnaces, rolling mills, roads, tram roads, railroads, docks, wharves, houses, bridges, and other structures and other ships, hydraulic power, electric power and electric lighting plant and such other plant and appliances as may be necessary for the manufacture of pig iron, steel, blooms and billets, and for the establishment of an export trade, and to acquire lands, privileges or other aids from any persons or bodies, and generally to do, acquire, receive, and perform all usual and necessary rights, powers, privileges and aids, for giving full effect to the intentions of the act hereinbefore set forth. Dated at Victoria the 13th day of December, 1897.

NOTICE. It is hereby given that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners and a transfer of the license held by us to sell wines and liquors to retail at the premises known as the Mirror Saloon, situate at the corner of Yates and Broad streets, to Alex. H. McDonald.

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What the Provincial Press is Saying.

(Roseland Miner.) The launching of the British American corporation on the London market means much for British Columbia. Its successful flotation is the means by which the tide of English capital will be turned towards Kootenay. From now on we may expect the popularity of Southern British Columbia to increase in London very rapidly. The district is on the eve of one of the greatest eras in mining prosperity ever known.

(Kootenay Mail.) Hon. Mr. Turner has at last consented to reply to the very general chorus of condemnation raised at seeing his name on a somewhat speculative prospectus. The London press has been imposed upon by parties anxious to defeat his government. What egotism! Fancy the "Turnover" when it enunciates the principle (so well known in England) that prominent ministers should not allow their names to appear on prospectuses, being imposed upon for the purpose of upsetting the Turner pigskin.

(Roseland Record.) In the face of the fact that it costs more to ship the product of the silver-lead ores of the Sierra to the New York market than it does the ore before treatment, should give the Dominion government something serious to think about, while it is considering the advisability of putting an export duty on ore. It will be pretty hard to compel the smelting of the Kootenay ores in Kootenay, when the owners could not afford to have them treated at the mine here. These figures do not apply to the dry ores that produce only gold and silver. An expert duty on ore would give mining in British Columbia a setback from which she would not recover for many years.

(H. C. Mining Critic.) A well known north coast mining man, learning that 100 acres of land in the Frederick Arm district had been taken out of the British Pacific reserve and sold by the land and works department to Mr. J. Cobbedick, the well known mine capitalist, of Kamloops, recently inquired of the deputy commissioner of lands and works at Victoria if it would be similarly possible for himself, as a man connected with mining, or for any other intending bona fide settler, to buy even 80 acres of the considerable area in the British Pacific reserve, the land to be obtained on like terms to those granted Mr. Cobbedick. The reply was certainly not. The applicant did not happen to be a resident of Kamloops with the influence of Mr. Cobbedick and the advantage also of an acquaintance with the Hon. G. B. Martin, the province's minister of lands and works. Hence, apparently, the discrimination. A royal commission into ministerial methods of management and mismanagement of the province's public domain would, if made intelligently searching, reveal, it is clear, no end of abuses. There comes "kissing goes by favor," and one mining man "persona grata" with the provincial government easily obtains concessions promptly refused to others.

(Nelson Miner.) From all over Great Britain and America come reports of expeditions being fitted out or starting for the Yukon. Some are going by steamers, circumnavigating the globe, and some propose to drive from Edmonton. The sensible ones went first to Victoria, or Vancouver, or rather we should say, the least sensible, for all the travelers are more or less "off their base." There is nothing for them in the Yukon. Suppose for a moment that all these people reach Dawson City in safety. What will be the condition of affairs that will welcome them? First a climate of the worst. A tardy spring, raw with late melting snows; the earth a quagmire, the air a spurge. Secondly, a motley crowd of thousands and thousands of people, with accommodation, and possibly only food, for a fraction of them. However, the object of the journey is gold not pleasure or comfort and the new arrivals will naturally look round for ground to work. There is no doubt that in the minds of many people from the old country, and possibly even of some from the Eastern States, the old idea of getting gold still exists. You go to a "good field" armed with a pick and shovel, and you dig about indefinitely until you bump up against some nuggets. Unfortunately, this charming idea is incorrect. Except in the rarest cases gold getting is surrounded with many difficulties. In the Yukon country it is rather more difficult to win than it was in Australia or California. There nature put her prizes into comparatively soft ground that could be dug out or washed away with water. In Alaska the gold bearing gravels have been found for centuries harder than the hardest granite.

The first comers who happened on to the Klondike deposits, made easy fortunes, but how much more of this rich ground is there left, not taken up, to-day? Is it safe to say not an acre. Where then are all these thousands of pilgrims to find the gold they are looking for? Unless new fields are discovered, which is purely problematical, the only thing for them to do when they reach the Yukon is to come out again. The only thing they will have gained will be the knowledge of the advantages or disadvantages of the route they followed.

It is better to later the ground than to assert itself that Kootenay is to-day a better place for the man who intends to go in for mining than Alaska. We do not allude to the people who rush hither skitter to the newest discoveries without a notion of what they are going to do when they get there, but to men with some little money and at any rate a stock of common sense to bring upon the business they have taken up. Kootenay to-day is only half prospected. There are probably as rich veins still awaiting the discoverer as those already found. Kootenay also has valuable lead-ore only waiting capital to mine some of them, and she has also plenty of mines which have already produced during the current year over eight million dollars worth of minerals. From these three classes of mining property the investor can make his choice, and having done so, he can go to work in one of the best climates in the world, surrounded by pleasant and agreeable people, all the con-

FOR THE KLONDIKE

Large Party to Leave New York for the Steamship City of Columbia To-Morrow Morning.

San Francisco Makes a Bid for Trade Snow Trains Over the Daton Trail.

New York, Dec. 14.—When the steamship City of Columbia sails down the bay next Thursday morning for St. Michaels she will have on board seventy-five gold seekers bound for the Klondike. Coal, provisions and clothing are being hoisted on board, fireworks exchanged and the last touches added for the cruise of 10,500 miles.

The voyage to the coast will be made in about seventy-five days, the steamship officers say. Four hundred more Klondikers will board the Columbia at Seattle. Otto E. Stocker, a nephew of former secretary of the navy Heybert, is in the party.

Capt. Baker, who took the gunboat El Cid to Rio Janeiro in the Brazilian uprising, is in command. At St. Michaels the Columbia's passengers will be transferred to river steamers and the Columbia will return to Seattle. This party expects to be the first into Dawson City in the spring.

From San Francisco to Dawson City. San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The transportation companies have agreed upon a passenger rate of \$200 from San Francisco to Dawson City. The Alaskan trade committee is working hard to demonstrate the advantages of this city as an outfitting point for the gold fields. Its agents, headed by ex-Governor Shuckley, will start for Chicago on Thursday in a special car filled with Alaskan exhibits and a permanent exhibition will be established there. A man will be sent to Washington City to work with representatives of Northwestern cities in the effort to have Dren closed at a sub-port of entry.

Snow Trains to Dawson. Washington, Dec. 14.—The plan of using steam snow locomotives to open and maintain communication between the outside world and the Klondike country has not been abandoned by any means. Secretary Alger was in consultation yesterday with several representatives of the company which has already made ten of these unique locomotives, and the secretary, who is intensely solicitous to extend aid to the miners who are supposed to be suffering from lack of food, authorized them to proceed to ship the machines to Alaska and make the effort to get through to the interior. The plan is either to use the Chilkat pass and the Dalton trail, or White pass, with the preference to the former route.

The men who were at the war department assured Secretary Alger that they could take the locomotives up the hills of either of these passes with the possibility of requiring the assistance of cable power in one place about half a mile long. Once over that place, near the head of Chilkat pass, there would be no difficulty, they said, in making good time across the country over the snow to Fort Selkirk and thence to Dawson City.

\$10,000 For Alaska. Washington, Dec. 14.—One of the interesting items in the agricultural appropriation bill is the provision of \$10,000 for an agricultural experimental station in Alaska.

RESCUED NORWEGIAN SAILORS. Newport News, Va., Dec. 14.—The British ship Kildonia, Capt. Roberts, has arrived in port from Shields, having on board Capt. H. N. Hymann and seven of the crew of the Norwegian bark Njemmet, which was lost in mid-ocean Sunday, Dec. 5. The crew of the ill-fated bark told a thrilling story of their experience. The Njemmet was bound from Champarten, Yucatan, with a cargo of logwood for Falmouth, England. The vessel sprang a leak and her crew stood by the pumps, having run up signals of distress, until all were exhausted. Several steaming pumps were in sight of the distressed vessel, but none of them heeded the bark's signals. The bark was fast breaking to pieces and the mariners had given up all hope when the steamer Kildonia came to their rescue. When the steamer approached the unhappy wretches the men were so overcome for joy that they leaped overboard and swam to their rescuers.

AUTONOMY REJECTED.

President Gomez, of Cuban Insurgents, Issues a Manifesto.

New York, Dec. 14.—T. Estrada Palma, representative of the Cuban provisional government, has received from Gen. Gomez a copy of a proclamation he has recently issued rejecting autonomy. The document, which is addressed to the army of liberation, reads: "Patriot soldiers who are fighting for the emancipation of the Cuban people; General Blanco, the substitute for the bloodthirsty Weyler, who despises and threatens us, comes to establish new features in this war. He says so in his proclamation to the country and to the army, but we do not desire to make any changes, and the war will be carried on by us just the same as we commenced it, since all my circulars are in accordance with civilized warfare. Everything that helps the enemy must be destroyed and everything that seems to harass him must be accomplished. This is our right. Our purposes have been well defined and sufficiently proclaimed to the world. We aim at the independence of our country, Cuba for the Cubans—America for the Americans. To attain these high and honorable results we rely on our pledged honor, the possession of the island and the lapse of time. Resources to carry on the struggle will spring forth from our resistance. The hopes of Spain to include us are already blasted. Gen. Blanco represents her last and final resort."

New York, Dec. 14.—A prominent Cuban received the following dispatch from Gen. Julio Sanguilly, dated Philadelphia: "Please deny the false and absurd reports of my having offered my services to Gen. Blanco or to the Spanish government. It is an infamous lie." Madrid, Dec. 14.—Minister of Marine Admiral Bernagozi is paying urgent attention to the improvement of the Spanish navy. Weyler entertained the leaders of the Conservative party. The newspapers here say that Cuban reformists in the Cortes will demand the trial of Weyler.

HAYTI'S PREDICAMENT.

May Have to Declare War if Italy Is Aggressive. New York, Dec. 14.—If Italy follows the course pursued by Germany in collecting an indemnity for the murder of an Italian subject and the illegal seizure of an Italian vessel, the belief prevails in Washington that President Sanguilly will be forced by his people to declare war, says a Washington special to The Herd.

Minister Leger said he had received no information in regard to this latest phase of Hayti's international trouble, but he expects that he will be early advised of the matter in order that he may make suitable representations on the subject to this government. Mr. Leger has repeatedly asserted that the people of Hayti would oppose a tame compliance with Germany's demands and while the Haytiens have no fortifications and a navy hopelessly inferior to that of Italy, members of the Haytian Legation expect their government will not comply with any pre-emptory demand which may be made by Italy, unless it should be shown there to be justice in the claim. These gentlemen believe their government is not responsible for either of the matters brought to its attention by Italy. It is believed by the authorities if Italy pushes her claim against Hayti the Haytian government will expect the settlement of the incident. Until fully acquainted with the facts the President will probably outline no policy, but should it be shown that the Italian claims are just, the administration will not interfere unless Italy should attempt to make a permanent landing on Haytien soil.

SPECIALISTS IN TORONTO AND SAN FRANCISCO. Failed to Cure a British Columbian of Catarrh—Japanese Catarrh Cure Cured Eight Years Ago and Catarrh Not Returned. Mr. Joseph Little, of Port Essington, writes: "Japanese Catarrh Cure cured me of catarrh, which had troubled me for 25 years, during which time I had spent hundreds of dollars with catarrh specialists in Toronto and San Francisco, besides trying every remedy which I thought would relieve me, but obtained no permanent relief until using Japanese Catarrh Cure about eight years ago. Since that time I have been completely cured and my catarrh does not trouble me in the least. It is truly a wonderful remedy; the first application relieved." Japanese Catarrh Cure relieves cold in the head in one minute and permanently cures catarrh. Price, 50 cents. Sold by all druggists.

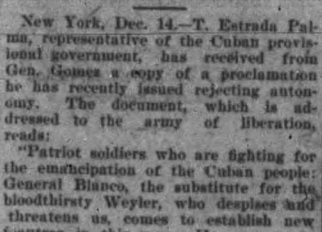
PROF. JORDAN AND THE SEALS.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Prof. David Starr Jordan, president of the Stanford University, who was the leading expert for the United States government in seal negotiations here last summer, has given his verdict strongly against any such proposition as that presented in the bill introduced by Representative Jones, of North Dakota, looking to the immediate killing of all seals on the seal islands as the best manner in which to prevent friction between the United States and Canada. The report of Dr. Jordan showing in a preliminary way the result of his investigations in Behring Sea during the past season, will shortly be published. If you ever try Carter's Little Liver Pills for sick headache, biliousness or constipation, you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable, small, and easy to take. Don't forget this.

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MACHIAVELLIAN TACTICS.

No very keen insight is required to follow the methods of the provincial government in their attitude towards the opposition. Subtle strategy is scarcely one of the qualities we should expect to find exhibited by that party of not extremely clever gentlemen in their endeavors to checkmate their political opponents.

EXPLODING A MYSTERY.

To the Editor—I am very sorry to be compelled to disturb the beautiful theory of identification you have established with such evident self-satisfaction, but as it is so obvious to whom your article is intended to refer, I may be permitted to state that the author of the letter signed "H. B." and neither saw it nor knew of its existence prior to its appearance in the "Freeman" and the paper in which it was published.

STUDIED MISREPRESENTATION.

The Vancouver World asks "What has become of the plank (in the Liberal Association platform) which stated that no candidate was to be supported by Liberals in any constituency in the province who would not sign the platform?"

plank. The World talks about a "dark lantern system," just as those ignorant of parliamentary procedure talk disconcertedly of the committee system, and want to know why any party of men should dare to go into a room to discuss public business, and not get upon the house-tops where everybody could see them, and converse with one another through speaking trumpets that all the public could hear them.

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THE TIMES Ottawa Letter.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—It is just twenty years since the province of Ontario passed an act taking power to appoint Queen's counsel. A few years later Sir John Macdonald, who was quarreling with the province on everything and anything, commencing with the boundary award dispute, ended by taking to the Dominion the sole right to appoint Q.C.'s. A test case was submitted by Sir John Thompson to the courts. After its being heard in the court of last resort in Canada it was taken to the imperial privy council. On Wednesday the Hon. David Mills, minister of justice, received a cable stating that the statute of Ontario, 1877, was valid under the terms of the British North America Act, section 92 and subsection 4 and 14, and accordingly the appeal of the Dominion was dismissed. Although the case was submitted by Ontario, all the other provinces are parties to it.

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HOUSE WANTED.—Will purchase a house and lot if price and terms are satisfactory. House must have not less than ten rooms, with all modern conveniences and be well situated. Address, with particulars, "Advertiser," Times office.

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THE WHITE LINER

Empress of India Arrives from Hong Kong and Yokohama—A Pleasant Voyage.

She Brings No News of the Long Overdue Steamer Pelican—Watch Kept for Her.

The thirty-fourth voyage of the Empress of India, one of the trio of big white liners, owned by the Canadian Pacific S. S. Company, was, saving during the last seven hundred miles, a most pleasant passage, the weather being fine and the ocean calm until when a day out from north the winds whirled up the sea and the passengers were introduced to an infantile tempest.

The Great Western negotiations have been renewed and it is probable that the property will be sold to the syndicate when the stockholders meet in Rossland on December 27th, the price being at the rate of 12 1/2 cents per share.

into their hands, but many more will follow. I could give you the names of all of them, and the list would surprise you, but I cannot in honor do so at present. The news will be ripe within a few weeks, and it will be the biggest thing that ever happened in Rossland and the biggest thing that has ever happened for the welfare of the camp.

THE PARTITION OF CHINA. St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The Norvosts say that the absence of protests from the other powers and Germany's evident determination to remain at Kiao Chau Bay indicates that the partition of China has actually begun and will proceed quickly.

NEW HAITIAN MINISTRY. Port au Prince, Dec. 14.—A proclamation was issued yesterday announcing the completion of the new Haitian ministry as follows: Minister of the interior, M. Auguste Tancredi; minister of commerce and finance, M. Plaisance; minister of exterior relations and worship, M. Brutus St. Vrain; minister of war and marine, M. Julianne Velbrun.

THE BRITISH AT SHER-KHEL. Simla, Dec. 14.—General Kempster's rear guard, according to official dispatches from the front, while transporting a number of wounded were cut off by the tribesmen on Saturday near Sher-Khel and were obliged to entrench for the night.

THE SIX-DAY BICYCLE RACE. New York, Dec. 14.—The winners in the six-day bicycle race have been awarded their prizes. All the men except Hale were present. The awards were as follows: Miller, \$1,200 and \$700 for beating Hale's record; Rice, \$800; Schinner, \$500; Hale, \$350; Waller, \$300; Pierce, \$200; Golden, \$150; Gannon, \$125; Entmann, \$100; Elkes, \$100; G. Riviere, \$75; Julius Moore and Beacom, \$50 each.

THE BIG MINING DEAL. Col. Ridpath Denies That the Le Roi Has Been Sold.

The Spokesman-Review of Spokane has the following regarding the reported sale of the Le Roi mine to the British American Corporation:

"Our people have left London," said he. "Senator Turner is in Washington and Col. Peyton is on his way over from London. They never sent any word here regarding such a deal and I am sure that there is no truth in the statement that the Le Roi has been taken over by the syndicate mentioned."

"If it is not possible that the deal may have been consummated—since Col. Peyton and Senator Turner left London—no such deal could have taken place without our knowing it here. There is nothing in it as far as the Le Roi is concerned."

"There is no doubt that the Josie is sold to Governor Mackintosh's syndicate, is there?"

"There is no doubt about that. I knew of the deal the next day after it was consummated. I don't remember the name of the syndicate, but it is the one that Governor Mackintosh is connected with."

"Is it not likely that the Poorman is included in the list of eight other Rossland properties?"

"No. I noticed that the Spokesman-Review stated some time since that there was a deal on for the sale of the Poorman to that syndicate and I would like to know where you got the story. I am sure it was not authentic, for I am president and general manager of the company, and if there was any deal on for the property I would surely know it and I assure you that I never heard of it except through your paper."

"Do you know anything about the other properties referred to or whether the syndicate has contemplated the purchase of so many properties?"

"I am not in a position to know what the syndicate has in view. I only know that the statements as to the Le Roi are without foundation."

"A few days since after the deal whereby the Mackintosh syndicate endeavored to secure the Great Western mine at Rossland had failed, a gentleman, who bears close relation with the governor of the Northwest Territory and who is acquainted with his plans, said: 'There will be big news for Rossland within a few weeks. The syndicate of Mackintosh has got the means and is determined to cut a wide swath in the camp. The Josie is the first property to fall



Do you see this package? keep it in your mind and when you ask for "Athlete" See that this is what you get.

3,000 MINERS RESUME WORK.

St. Louis, Dec. 14.—The thirty-five miles of the Consolidated & Madison Coal Company, in the Belleville, Ill., district, have resumed operations and 3,000 miners who have been out of employment for many months returned to work.

WAGES TO BE REDUCED.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 14.—It is learned that the committee of manufacturers which had charge of the details of the pending situation of the wages of mill operatives will recommend that the salaries of treasurers be reduced in the same proportion as the wages of the employees. The committee also decided that all overseers and others not usually included in cut-downs should come under the order.

FOR THE NINE HOUR DAY.

New York, Dec. 14.—President Samuel B. Donnelly, of Typographical Union No. 6, at a meeting of the union held at this city last night, announced that 65 of the 102 publishers had granted the request of the union for a nine hour day.

THE DREYFUS MATTER.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The government, it is announced, contemplates the suppression of newspapers alleged to be systematically inventing Dreyfus stories.

WATERWORKS LOAN.

No Money Now Available to Go On With the Work at the Lakes.

The following statement prepared by the water commissioner at the request of Ad. Partridge gives details of expenditure on account of the waterworks loan:

Expenditure during 1897: Walkley, King & Casey, 75 per cent. extras, \$ 3,389 48; Hoseroff, 2,088 73; Commission, 1,132 10; H. Herring's report, 150 00; Pillars and brackets ordered, 225 00; Hauling cofferdam, 1,608 88; Connecting pipe to filter beds, 311 27; Second hand pump, 97 40.

Total for 1897, \$ 17,439 56; Balance available, \$ 1,132 10; account contract 1897, nil; Expenditure to be chargeable to Messrs. Walkley, King & Casey, \$ 2,250 47.

Amount retained from Messrs. Walkley, King & Casey, \$ 22,897 58; Their deposit cheque, \$ 4,375 40; Total, \$ 27,273 58.

Premium on bonds and interest to Dec. 31st, 1897, \$ 9,215 97; interest for 1897 not yet computed.

TO MODIFY FOOTBALL.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—A committee, appointed by the conference of the seven universities, met last night to discuss proposed changes as seemed advisable in the present football rules, in order to make the game less rough, and to prevent the changes which are to be submitted to the members of the conference at their action. The members of the committee are: J. E. H. Wisconsin, A. A. Stark, Chicago; and H. H. Everett, Cornell.

BOLD ROBBERY AT SEA.

Particulars are to hand of a daring and cleverly executed robbery on board German liner plying between China and Japan, which was carried out by three German sailors, who transpired through the arrest at Vienna of one of the conspirators, who had deserted from the ship and with his share of the plunder, managed in a roundabout way to reach the Austrian capital.

ACCIDENTS TO CHILDREN.

Children, in their play, are apt to get sprains, bruises or cuts, and the pain these little ones suffer before relief is brought to them should convince mothers that it is necessary to be always prepared for accidents. "Quickcure" is a healer that acts quickly and removes pain at once.

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reached the folding door by climbing into the seat cabin through a trap in the deck. He then unlocked a wooden door leading into the cargo hold, which was separated from the main room by the folding door, which he then raised, and so gained access into the main room.

The sailor who has been arrested, and who has given this account of the robbery, says he does not know how the ring-leader broke open the box containing the money, but he admits that the ring-leader told him he would make them again. The weight of the box when emptied of its contents was made up by refilling it with bullets, which all three perpetrators had brought secretly on board before leaving port.

The arrested sailor says he was in such a terrible state of fear that during the two hours of his watch when he was not steering he had to lie down in the rudder house and act as though he were asleep. Subsequently he saw the ring-leader, who told him that he had been working at the theft since the whole four hours of the watch. He also told the prisoner that his share of the gold was secretly hidden in the rudder house and described where he could find it and later on the prisoner did find the booty as directed. It was in two heavy bags about 400 Japanese and American gold coins and 15 twenty-dollar pieces, which he wrapped the money up in his berth and was not heard of again until his arrest in Vienna under the circumstances already stated.

This robbery will, in all probability, form the subject of an action at law in the British courts by the consignees of the specie against the shipowner and the crew, on the latter being guilty of negligence in allowing the robbery to take place under such circumstances.

May—I wonder why come men grumble about everything so.

Madge—To show the keenness of their perceptions, of course.—Detroit Free Press.

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GOING NORTH. Daily Sat'dy. Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington 8:00 1:00. Ar. Nanaimo 12:15 4:11. Ar. Wellington 12:40 4:30.

GOING SOUTH. Daily Sat'dy. Lv. Wellington for Victoria 8:15 1:15. Ar. Victoria 12:07 4:00.

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Provincial News.

SOUTH SAANICH.

On Friday evening, Dec. 10, the South Saanich Temperance Society gave a concert in aid of the building fund, and it resulted in such a success financially that the balance of the debt that remained on the hall is now nearly wiped off.

CHEMAMAIN'S NEWS.

Chemainu, Dec. 13.—The local minstrels held a very successful entertainment in the town hall on the 8th inst. Mr. H. Williams conducted the performance, much to his credit and the enjoyment of those who attended.

The bark Colusa, now loading lumber for Port Pirie, Australia, will have completed her cargo the latter part of this week. Several other ships are expected during the week.

Rev. O. E. Kennell preached here on Sunday last to a good audience. Every one spoke very highly of his address and expressed the wish that we could have him stationed here.

Robert Adams, who has been visiting his parents in Glasgow, returned a few weeks ago, much benefited by his trip. A good many employees of the mill company have received their names as provincial voters; they are evidently getting ready for the government candidate in the next election.

Mr. F. J. Perron left last week for the coast to visit some of his valuable mining propositions on the eastern coast.

Adolph Strawmeyer, steward on the steamer Transfer, was charged in the District court yesterday morning, before Capt. Pittendrigh, S. M., and Mr. Frank Devlin, India agent, with supplying intoxicants to Commodore Dan, an Indian of Chilliwack, on December 4th. He pleaded guilty to the charge, and was fined \$150 and costs, total \$194.50, or six months' hard labor. The fine and costs were paid. Mr. W. H. Bullock-Webster appeared for defendant.

Pat, a Nicome Indian, was charged in the District court yesterday with aggravated assault upon another Indian named Alex. The prisoner was remanded until Wednesday next.

All efforts to recover the body of Owens, the man who was drowned in Pitt Lake, have so far been futile. On Saturday last the men who are searching for the body discovered the gunn boats belonging to the drowned man.

The remains of the late Miss Grace Thornber arrived here by the C. P. R. train on Sunday, and the funeral took place at the time named. The pallbearers were Messrs. D. N. Shiles, Geo. Adams, J. J. Johnston, Thos. Havelock, J. B. Jarlison and Mr. Golley. The last named being a resident of Greenwood City.

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before His Honor Judge Bole, when Dr. Fagan, acting on behalf of the B. C. Medical Society, brought suit against Dr. Clark to recover medical fees. Dr. Clark was here some short time ago as consulting physician to the California School of Medicine, and is now said to be residing in Vancouver. Some years ago he was duly registered as a medical practitioner in British Columbia, but has been away from the province for a considerable length of time, and the present suit is to collect the fees due in the interval.

On Sunday next the Methodist church of this city will celebrate its first anniversary in this city. The church is in a prosperous condition, having a membership of 60 adult communicants. In addition to this there is a Sunday school with 100 children and young people members. There is also a prominent Epworth League, made up of the active workers of the church. In the basement of the church there is a free reading room, which is well supplied with books and reading matter, and is one of the useful institutions of the town.

Rev. G. Lader is the pastor of the church, and has worked in this field since June, 1896. Before that time the church was supplied by Rev. J. U. Robbins, Rev. Thomas Wood and others. It is a custom of the Methodist church to change pastors every year or so. In accordance with that custom Rev. Mr. Lader will soon go into a new field of usefulness. Recently he was unanimously invited by the official board of Kamloops to take the pastorate of the Methodist church at Kamloops. He has accepted the invitation. He will go to the new pastorate some time in May. The matter of his successor in the Rossland church has not yet been decided. Rev. C. Lader during his stay in Rossland has made many friends with his numerous excellent qualities, and they will hear of his departure with regret.

A preliminary meeting with a view to forming a Trades and Labor Council for Rossland was held Saturday, Dec. 4. During last week the various unions and Knights of Labor appointed delegates to represent them in this Trades and Labor Council, and the first meeting was held last night at Betty's Hall. Officers and committees were elected, and in a few days the council will be in active operation. The Trades and Labor Council intends to take an active interest in all questions respecting labor, and will, no doubt, make its influence felt in the approaching civic and provincial elections.—Rossland Mirror.

Nelson, Dec. 11.—On January 1st the Heco mine will declare a dividend of 10 cents per share. This will be equivalent to \$100,000.

The matte shipments from Kootenay this week were 129 1/4 tons, total value, \$137,860.03. Total value of ore and matte exported for the week, \$239,000.03. The lead furnace of the Hall Mines smelter is nearly completed and will be ready for operation shortly before January 15. It may be blown in by that time for a short run, but will not run continuously until contracts have been made for a ready supply of lead ores. The completion of the Hecan Lake branch of the C.P.R. opens that entire district to the smelter, and as there are numerous available lead properties it is probably that contracts will be made that will be advantageous to both the mine owner and the smelter. The capacity of the furnace when it is being operated with copper ore was 100 tons per day, but this was often run up to 150 tons. As lead ores work more readily in the furnace, the probabilities are that the amount will be greatly increased. The lead ores now on hand are being crushed and freed of their sulphur and made ready for the smelting furnace.

Annual Banquet of Local Lodges Held Last Evening.

The local lodges of the Sons of England held their annual banquet last evening, about 100 being present.

In the absence of Hon. Col. Prior, Capt. Wolley occupied the chair and read the report of the year.

The banquet was composed of Messrs. J. Williams (chairman), J. G. Taylor, J. P. Hankin, F. Tubbs and H. E. Smith.

Lord Armstrong of England has succeeded in accomplishing something that scientists have tried in vain to do for years—that is, to photograph an electric spark. It was done by placing a camera and a powerful electric machine in a darkened room. There was a plate in the camera covered with a light, fine powder, which, when the spark was discharged, would be driven about by the electric streams and the electricity would thus give the luminosity which would enable it to be caught in the act of setting the dust in motion.

The natural loss of the hair, either by disease or the age of the hair itself, may be replenished with a heavy growth by Hall's Hair Renewer.

A London daily had recently this unheeded announcement: "Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Levi, having cast off clothing of every description, invite an early inspection."

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She—As old as what? He—Why as old as this paper infers. She—How old is that? He—It doesn't exactly say, but it has an article here entitled "Some Facts About Victoria, B. C."—Boston Courier.

THE JAPANESE CONSUL.

Mr. Shimizu, the New Consul for B.C. Arrives on the Express.

Among the passengers on the H.M.S. Empress of India which arrived yesterday evening, was a short, yet bright and intelligent looking Japanese gentleman, Mr. S. Shimizu, the new consul representing the land of the Mikado at Victoria and Vancouver in the stead of Mr. Nasse, the late consul. Mr. Shimizu, who is accompanied by his wife and children, is not new to British Columbia, for it is but three years since he left Vancouver after representing Japan in that city for about two and a half years. Since then he has been acting as consul at Hongkong. Mr. Shimizu says it gives him much pleasure to be back again in British Columbia, for he is, he says, fond of the society of the people of this province.

"Japan," says Mr. Shimizu, "is comparatively financially and, in fact, in every way, most active. Since October last the gold standard has been in force in Japan, and merchants and business men speak highly in favor of the new coinage."

Mr. Shimizu will take up his residence at Vancouver.

ROSSLAND MINES.

Another Big Deal in the Sale of the No. 1.

The most important news of the past week was the sale of the No. 1, a highly promising Red Mountain property lying near the War Eagle and the Josie. The deal was made through Alex. Dick, but the identity of his principals is not announced. The consideration is \$200,000, of which an initial payment of \$50,000 has been made. The No. 1 is practically undeveloped, and it is most gratifying that the property should have commanded such a price.

The big strike in the War Eagle and the Deer Park, reported last week, has improved during the past week days, and the showing now is better than ever.

The announcement is made that the Le Roi from now on will output 4,750 tons per week. The Evening Star has joined the shipping list, and is now sending out its first consignment of ore.

The shipments since last reported aggregated 1,275 tons, divided as follows: Le Roi, 1,089; Iron Mask, 90; Centre Star, 45; Lily May, 30; War Eagle, 15; Cliff, 15.—Rossland Mirror.

ASKED TO RETALIATE.

If the United States Government Closes Dyea as a Sub-Port of Entry.

A dispatch from Washington says: "Senator Perkins, of California, and Ira Wilson have had a consultation with Secretary Gage, in which they recommended that the sub-port of entry at Dyea be abolished. They presented numerous papers and petitions in this effect, which represented that Dyea as a sub-port now furnishes advantages to persons from British Columbia which are not given to United States citizens going through the passes to the Klondike country. British subjects now ship goods to Dyea in bond and they are passed on to the Northwest Territory unimpeded by customs of any kind. United States citizens, the petitioners say, meet with annoyances as soon as they reach the lakes in the British Northwest Territories. Secretary Gage said he would investigate the matter and would also ask the senate to make a thorough inquiry."

In connection with this question the Board of Trade met last evening and drafted the following telegram, which was sent to Mr. Richard Cartwright, minister of trade and commerce:

"At a special meeting of the British Columbia Board of Trade, the following resolution was carried unanimously: 'Whereas the Chambers of Commerce of San Francisco, Portland, Tacoma and Seattle, have combined to force their government to close Dyea as a sub-port of entry; be it resolved that the Dominion government make immediate representations at Washington against such closing of Dyea; and in the event of negotiations being unsuccessful, the Board of Trade strongly urges upon the Dominion government to close the customs house at Tagish Lake, and prevent the importation of goods and outfits via the Lynn Canal routes.'"

"In view of the great importance of this question, the favor of the earliest information of any decision is requested."

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE. Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897.

List of Lands and Improvements within the corporation of the City of Victoria, to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 24th day of December, 1897, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock, noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.

Table with columns: Lot, Block, Section, Lands and Improvements, Assessed Owner, Registered Owner, Amount of Taxes, Collector's Commission, Contingent expenses of sale, Total Arrears of Taxes and Costs. The table lists numerous lots and their respective owners and tax details.

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