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Lot and small house, for.....\$ 300
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Several very cheap buildings sold for sale at..... 192
A number of good cottages to let, from 5
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A Great Quantity of

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It is the recognized specific for throat and lung troubles.

50c. per Bottle.

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GEN. BULLER'S ADVANCE

He Has Now Occupied the South Bank of the Tugela River at Potgieter's Drift.

THE FIERCE BATTLE AT MODDER RIVER

Correspondent Tells of the Gallant Conduct of British Soldiers—Casualties at Ladysmith on Saturday Were 148 Killed and 269 Wounded.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 12.—Apart from the definite news that Gen. Buller has commenced his second attempt to cross the Tugela River, the only official news this morning was the list of casualties among the British officers in the fight at Ladysmith on Saturday, January 6th, showing 13 killed and 27 wounded.

Lieut.-Col. Dick-Cunyngham Dead.
Among the latter was Lieut.-Col. Henry Dick-Cunyngham, V.C., commander of the second battalion of the Gordon Highlanders since 1897, who has since succumbed to his wounds. He was immensely popular everywhere and his death will cause widespread sorrow.

Buller at Potgieter's Drift.

Gen. Buller's movement, obviously, is of a flanking character, but whether it is intended to push the advance home or whether his operations are only a feint to cover an attack in force on the Boer position at Hangwana, mountain remains to be seen.

Springfield, from where Gen. Buller's dispatch was sent, is sixteen miles from Frere.

The last news from Springfield was that it was held by the Johannesburg corps under Gen. Ben Viljoen, and that the Boers had big guns in position at Potgieter's Drift, apparently eight miles north of Springfield, and across the big Tugela.

The possession of the drift and the bridge is regarded as of great importance.

It is reported here that Gen. Buller submitted his plan of campaign to Lord Roberts immediately after the latter handed, and that Roberts sanctioned it.

Will Macdonald Succeed Methuen?

There is a belief in some quarters that Gen. Hector Macdonald will succeed Lord Methuen in command of the British force at Modder River.

Casualties Among the Rank and File.

The war office has announced that the British casualties among the rank and file at Ladysmith on January 6th, were 135 killed and 242 wounded.

Lord Methuen's Health.

Lady Methuen has issued an absolute

contradiction of the rumor that Lord Methuen is ill, or was injured by falling off his horse.

BULLER'S MOVE.

He Has Taken Potgieter's Drift—Eighty Four and a Half Miles Away.

London, Jan. 12.—The war office received this morning the following dispatch from Gen. Buller, dated Springfield, January 11th, at 9:20 in the evening:

"I occupied the south bank of the Tugela River at Potgieter's Drift this morning, and seized Pont."

"The river is in flood."

"The enemy is strongly entrenched about 4 1/2 miles to the north."

BATTLE STORIES BY MAIL.

A Correspondent's Description of the Battle of Modder River—Heroism of British Troops.

London, Jan. 12.—Columns of descriptions of the operations in South Africa are coming in by mail.

The Times correspondent, describing the long, fierce battle at Modder River, says:

"For the whole day the Guards' brigade lay on the open field in a heat actually 110 degrees in the shade at midday. Meanwhile the left flank had not been idle. The general had personally led them to the summit of a slight rise that commanded the only possible means of crossing the river, the dam that had been built to turn the Modder River into an ornamental water for the picnic of Kimberley excursionists. They moved in silence towards the edge of the river bank on the enemy's extreme left."

"That it could be even attempted to

Cross the River.

sliding sideways through the rush of water, one by one, clinging to the short supports in full view of the opposite shore, was an act of reckless heroism against which the wary Cronje had not provided. This was actually done, and, one at a time, some 400 of them crossed.

Then a detachment of the Royal Engineers followed, and lit by little a force collected, which cleared several of the nearest houses on the right, and effected an occupation of an irregular path from which they were never dislodged.

"To fight for 13 hours in an order that in the heat of warfare would be a terrible strain, but out on the shadeless water the exhaustion was so great that hundreds of men and officers slept as they lay in the scrub, careless of the Murders Fire

that surged over them. To provide them with food or bring a water cart on the field was only to expose men to death.

"Early in the afternoon the general was shot through the thigh, and for some time the two brigades, in the absence of orders, were compelled to act independently, the only command being a warning to the ninth brigade not to fire upon the first, of which there was some danger.

"The magnificent manner in which the Boers had realized and augmented the strength of the position, the success with which they kept their works and disposition secret until the crucial moment, the feat on the extreme right, which drew off the reserve artillery strength of our forces from their main position, the

Astonishing Accuracy

of their picked shots at longest ranges, should all be remembered to the credit of their generals. It was in the material which formed the commanders that they failed. They could not do

more than they actually did with the men under their command. Jealousies had sprung up between the generals, the men accused each other of cowardice, and the threat of physical force had, if rumors were true, to be held over them more than once.

"The one pound Maxim guns were the most effective weapon used by the Boers. The five or six shots fired in one second while the gun was traversed had more moral effect than the steady discharge of shrapnel from the ordinary 15-pounder at half minute intervals.

"One man not far from me had

Both Thighs Blown Off

as he sat by one of these little shells landing on the ground between them, but there is no question that the moral effect was as a rule greater than the practical results."

Of the lessons to be learned from Modder River this correspondent says:

"It will be impossible in any future war for officers to retain their swords, and it will be worth while for the war office to construct some light carbine that may be carried by them instead of the weighty rifle served out to the men."

The Belmont Fight.

John Ralph, writing for the Daily Mail, describing one of the small hills in the Belmont engagement, says:

"On this kopje the Boer commander compelled the poor men of his command to live for weeks, unshaved, unclean and hungry looking. I know when I saw these neglected bodies seated as the British bayonets found them, how it could be that white men could mock the sacred purposes of the Geneva cross.

"The food, the dirt, and the extraordinary profusion of cartridges, etc., all around, though not so offensive as the beastly condition of the dead, was certainly a grim sight to witness. If I could write steadily for a week, I could not exhaust the list of peculiarities, anomalies and novelties of this war, waged against us by an undisciplined force of rebels, who are soldiers by instinct and farmers or cattle raisers for a livelihood."

Suffering at Ladysmith.

From the Ladysmith correspondent of the Daily Chronicle comes a grim touch of besieged misery. He says:

"Dishevelled women are peering out of their dens in the rocks and holes in the sand. They crawl into the evening light shaking the dirt from their petticoats and sand from their back hair. They rub the children's faces round with the tails of their gowns. They tempt scraps of flames to take the chill off the yellow water for the children's tea. After sundown a steady Scotch drizzle, set down upon us.

Export of War Material Stopped.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—The semi-official Norddeutscher 'Gazette' says: Herr Krupp has been requested to stop any intended dispatch of arms, guns, ammunition or other war materials to either belligerents.

CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

Herbert, Lemieux and Baxter Committed for Trial.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Herbert, Lemieux and Baxter, charged with conspiring to defraud the Ville Marie bank were before Justice Choquet in the police court this morning. All accused pleaded not guilty, and were committed for trial.

Walter and Ernest Fellows, charged with receiving money from Herbert and Lemieux, were also committed for trial.

The case of James Baxter, charged with aiding Herbert to escape justice, was sent to the court of Queen's Bench by Mr. Justice.

All of the accused are now in the hands of the jail officers.

MALIBOTTA TANUS'S PROTEST.

Against the Partition of Samoa—He Says It is a Violation of Treaties.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 12.—Malibotta Tanus's letter to the London Times, enclosing copies of the protests addressed to the United States, Great Britain and Germany against the Samoan treaties, characterizes the partition of Samoa as a gross violation of the treaties and a charge against the law of nations.

The writer also asserts that the civilization introduced by the great powers in three annexations in the South Sea, Africa and elsewhere, is inferior to the primitive state of the countries stolen, leading to war through breach of faith on the part of the government officials, and to the decimating of the peoples by contagious diseases and spirituous liquors.

THE WORK OF A CONSERVATIVE.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The article in the Evening Bulletin, Quebec, which has caused so much stir, turns out to be written by an ardent Conservative, who has been fighting the Liberals all his life, and who thought to make political capital in this way against the government.

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Stock exchange, morning board: War Bonds, \$4, 355, 251; Payne, 102, 101; Montreal and London, \$3, 34; Republic, \$3, 110, 106. Sales, Payne, 500 at 102.

Campbell's Prescription Store
We are Prompt, We are Careful and We are Always at Our Post.
CORNER OF FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS
VICTORIA, B.C.
For Pure Drugs and Chemicals.

Boers' Heavy Losses
Over Two Thousand Killed and Wounded in Assault on Ladysmith.

The British Casualties-Rations Are Plentiful in Beleguered Town.

London, Jan. 12.—"We learn," says the Daily Mail, "that in the attack on Ladysmith last Saturday, Jan. 6th, the British losses were 14 officers killed and 34 wounded, and over 800 non-commissioned officers and men killed and wounded."

Rations Plentiful
A dispatch to the same paper from Peterburgh dated Jan. 8th, says: "Private advices from Ladysmith, dated Jan. 2nd, say that the rations of bread and meat are plentiful and the garrison has not touched the 'bully' beef and biscuit supplies. Luxuries are scarce in Ladysmith, but the hospitals are well supplied with milk and the horses are in good condition."

Boer Camp
The Standard has the following dispatch dated Monday from Pretoria: "Our patrols have searched both banks of the Boer position. They found a large camp in the hills east of Colenso, evidently in anticipation of a British attempt at a turning movement."

London, Jan. 12.—Although the war office declines to confirm the report that Lord Methuen has been recalled to England, enquiries made by a correspondent at the Methuens' home in Wiltshire have elicited the information that when he received his wound his horse threw him heavily and spinal and other injuries supervened.

SEIZURE OF AMERICAN FLOUR
The British Government's Reply to the United States.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The British government's reply to Mr. Choate's representations respecting the seizure of American flour and other goods on the three vessels, Beatrice, Mashona and Marie, has been received.

Just as the officials of the state department expressed their surprise at the answer, very satisfactory as far as it goes, to the question of the character of the goods seized, but not finally defining broadly whether or not food-stuffs are to be regarded as contraband of war. The British government adopts precisely the point of view regarding the seized goods that was assumed by Mr. Choate in his note on the subject addressed to the British foreign office.

The British government is investigating the facts in connection with goods seized on the third vessel, the Beatrice. Mr. Choate's message embodied succinctly the authorities relied upon by the British government to sustain its position, and as this position, as already stated, is one of those already assumed by the state department, of course they are regarded as convincing. For this reason Mr. Choate's message is long and it was nearly noon before it had been deciphered and placed in Secretary Hay's hands.

It so happened that Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was with the secretary shortly after he received his message, and probably the subject was discussed by them. It is certain that the secretary and Lord Pauncefote appeared to be gratified at the progress being made toward a settlement of the cases.

Later in the day the official statement was given out by the state department. A telegram has been received from Ambassador Choate reporting that the goods had by him with the Marquis of Salisbury on the afternoon of the 10th inst. in regard to the American shipments of flour and provisions on the detained steamers Beatrice and Mashona and the Dutch steamer Marie. The British position as to foodstuffs and destination is that they can only be considered contraband if not being supplied to the enemy's forces; it is not being sufficient that they are capable of being so used, but it must be shown that this was their destination at the time of their seizure.

This qualification virtually conceded the American contention that the goods were not subject to seizure, and practically disposes of the seizure, it being claimed that there is no evidence of hostile destination.

Misleading Information.
London, Jan. 11.—H. M. S. Fearless seized the bark Marie L., which arrived at Port Elizabeth Saturday from the Argentine with sulphur.

Asquith on the War

Gladstone's Home Secretary Delivers Telling a Speech on South African Crisis

To-Day's Reverses and Disasters May Be To-Morrow's Victories and Triumphs.

Mr. Asquith was the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the Wellington Quay branch of the Trades Union Association, says the London Times of Dec. 18th inst.

Mr. Asquith, after expressing his pleasure at the opportunity of meeting the constituents of his friend and colleague, Mr. Pease, said: It is certain that if we could have foreseen the course of events on the occasion for a party demonstration, it is, or even three, months ago we had been told that we should find ourselves now on the eve of Christmas, after two months of fighting, and after the loss of brave men killed, wounded and prisoners, which grows day by day in a steady and appalling proportion, still engaged in the task of driving an invading army from British territory. I doubt whether there is any man in Great Britain who would have seen a moment's gleam of light in the prospect, and yet that is precisely the condition of things, as described in the bald and the coldest language, with which we are confronted to-day.

There have been and are differences of opinion in the country, and particularly in our own party, as to the cause of the war. So far as we Liberals are concerned, these differences, I am glad to say, have been frankly stated and openly discussed without, as I believe, any loss of mutual good-will, without any sickening of the bonds either of personal friendship or of party loyalty. I do not underestimate these differences; I do not underestimate their importance; but in my judgment they do not involve any deep-seated difference of principle. I think I may say with perfect accuracy that, while we have not been able to agree on the true reading of the past, which cannot be rewritten, there is nothing which divides us as to our duty at the present moment, or as to the lines upon which our South African policy ought ultimately to be shaped. From the moment the Boer ultimatum was delivered, and two British colonies were invaded by hostile armies, the Liberal party, of which a large section thought and believed that the war might and should have been avoided, of which I believe I may say that the whole, without so far as I know, single exception, thought that there was much open to criticism in the negotiations which preceded the war—from that moment the Liberal party, with practical unanimity, showed itself ready to vote such supplies of money, and to make such other preparations, as might be necessary for the effective prosecution and for the speedy termination of the struggle.

WASTED TO A SKELETON.
With a Perseverant Cough That Nothing but Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup Seemed Able to Cure.

The constant hacking cough that sticks to you in spite of everything you have done to relieve it, means danger. The longer the cough stays, the more serious menace is it to your health. It's easy to check a cough at the outset with Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. If you've let it run on, though, it takes while longer to cure it, but Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup can cure it even then, after other remedies fail.

Here's the case of Miss Alice Rivard, Emerson, Minn., who says: "Last winter I contracted a bad cold which stuck to me in spite of the different remedies I tried. The constant coughing reduced me so that I was almost a skeleton. A friend told me Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup would cure me so I bought it and I would try it. The first bottle helped me so much I continued its use until I had taken three bottles. In all, it completely cured me. I have recommended this remedy to dozens of my friends."

DEATH RATE DECLINING.
Longevity of the Human Race is Increasing Year by Year.

All who hope and believe that the conditions of human life throughout the world are gradually improving will find practical support for their hopes and belief in an address recently delivered before the British Medical Association by its president, Dr. Ward Cousins. Among other things Dr. Cousins discussed the future progress of preventive medicine, and predicted a steady and great decline in the death rate in the coming century. For the realization of this great object he looked, above all, and rightly looked, to an improvement in the conditions and in the dwellings of the working classes.

And he was especially right in pointing out that this improvement can not come from mere legislation. The great mass of the people must become willing and active helpers; he said, and in equally true words he showed how largely the prevention of suffering and the preservation of health are within the reach of the working classes in our great towns if they will only cultivate temperance and cleanliness. In this connection we are gratified to observe the action of the New York health board in distributing among the people a circular setting forth in clear and simple language various easy methods to be observed for the prevention of disease, the spread of epidemics and some sound advice generally in regard to healthful living. This is practical service for the people, and it will undoubtedly be successful to material degree in a further decrease of the mortality rates.—Leslie's Weekly.

ITCHING, BLEEDING PILES.
Mr. W. G. Phipps, proprietor Bodega Hotel, 26 Wellington street East, Toronto, says: "While living in Chicago I was in a terrible shape with itching and bleeding piles. I tried several of the best physicians and was burned and tortured in various ways by their treatments to no avail, besides spending a sum of money to no purpose. Since coming to Toronto I learned of Carter's Little Liver Pills. I used but one box and have not been troubled with piles in any shape or form since."

Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving way in the home to action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pills. If you try them, they will certainly please you.

The Ontario government has fixed January 24th as the date for nomination in East Middlesex and January 31st for election.

A large steamer, believed to be a passenger ship, whose name cannot yet be ascertained, has been wrecked on a reef in St. Mary's bay, Newfoundland.

An agent for the American Bible Society says that the first book printed in Minnesota was a Bible. It was printed in 1838, about 15 years before the first issue of a newspaper in St. Paul.

France, with a population of 38,518,000, has a poor strength of 300,000 men, with 4,099,000. Millions more would be enlisted if it wanted, but, of course, they would be untrained.

The Exaggeration of Our Disasters.

But I may say that we ought, within the measure of our opportunities, to decrease the tendency, so widespread in the days in which we live, to lose all sense of proportion and perspective, and to exaggerate to a degree which any student of history knows to be almost grotesque. The electric telegraph has, no doubt, conferred some bona fide upon mankind, but it has added one effect which, I think, is every day increasingly apparent in the affairs and in the commerce of nations—it leads people, as it were, not only to form hasty impressions, but to look through a microscopic glass on incidents which ought to be regarded with a more proper sense of their due stature and relation. Why, in the great days of the past, in the days when the Duke of Marlborough was leading British and allied armies on the Continent, in the days, nearer our own time, when the Duke of Wellington was withstanding year after year, often for months behind his lines, the peer of Napoleon, even in the days of the Indian mutiny, when Havelock, Outram and Clyde were saving the greatest province of the Empire, if in those days we had had this daily, this hourly, this almost momentary examination, with which we are now so familiar, of every detail of the war, it would be difficult to believe that the steadfastness, the steadfastness, the patience, the endurance, the far-sighted pursuit of even distant ends which these great men exhibited could possibly have been carried on in the manner and with the results which, history records, these men achieved in those days of storm and stress, of darkness and anxiety. I would beg of you to maintain your sense of proportion, and not unduly to exaggerate the reverses and disasters of to-day, which may become the victories and the triumphs of to-morrow.

The Real Nature of the Contest.
At the same time, do not let us underestimate the gravity of the task which lies upon us. As my friend and colleague Mr. Birrell has reminded us in the admirable speech he made at Manchester last week, this contest has developed proportions which may make it the turning point in the fortunes of the British Empire. It has become something much wider and deeper than a mere question of asserting and maintaining our position in South Africa. It is our life to be known as a world-power which is now upon trial. If we fall here in the tenacity, the patience, the resolve, the equanimity by which, in days gone by, we have won and kept our dominions, why then, as Mr. Birrell well says, the British Empire has ceased to be a going concern. But we are not going to fail; but if we are to succeed, and what is surely important, to succeed honorably, there are one or two practical considerations which must be kept steadily in view. They sound like common-places when they are stated in plain English, and yet experience shows that they are sometimes lost sight of. In the first place, while it is folly, and worse than folly, to exaggerate our reverses, it is no use underestimating the magnitude and the direction of the task we have got to discharge. It is plain now, at any rate, that we have to fight an enemy whose actual numbers largely exceed any estimate hitherto formed, who has, apparently, still an abundant supply of men, and in view of which, so long as it can choose its own ground and adopt its own tactics, is as nearly invincible as any army we read of in history. I say this is plain now. Whether it ought to have been plain sooner is one of those questions which, happily, are to be put and to be answered.

FACTS BEING AS WE NOW KNOW THEM TO BE, it is pretty clear that our force has been, and is, inadequate for the work which it is called upon to perform; and I venture to say, expressing, I believe, the universal opinion of all parties and sections of this country, that whatever accession of numbers is needed to give our army an irresistible superiority and strength, however great may be the sacrifices that may be involved, the country will not only be ready to supply, but to cheerfully expect, if that is the material need of the situation, it has a moral need also, which, though not so obvious, is, in my view, equally urgent.

When the Tide Turns.
I do not, of course, suggest that there is any reason to fear that the British people will lose heart or hope, nor is there any ground for acknowledging any sign of the decay or disappearance of that traditional equanimity which, in darker days than these, has enabled us to present to an unfriendly world an unbroken and an impressive front. But there is danger, I think a real danger, lest the memory of those magnificent and humiliating, when the tide turns, and when success is assured, should tempt us to forget or to divert the avowed purpose of our policy. No one can doubt that the end of this year will be followed, and must be followed, by a large rearrangement of the pre-existing political system in South Africa; and no one can doubt that it will then be our right and duty to provide adequate safeguards against the recurrence of dangers to which we are now exposed. But do not let us forget, now or then, that we are fighting to assert the supremacy of British power and to secure the ascendancy of a particular race, and that it will be at the end no less true than it was at the beginning of the war, that the future of South Africa depends upon the creation of a workable and permanent modus vivendi between the two great white people which there lie side by side. This is no time for the recriminations or even the controversies which ordinarily mark our party life. There are more subjects of domestic concern which affect the everyday life of the masses of our people upon which I should have liked to have spoken to you to-night; but our minds, and our hearts, also, are so preoccupied by the matters to which I have referred, that it is difficult to find room for other topics. For the moment our duty as a nation is to be united, resolute, calm (cheers), and to concentrate all our resources, both material and moral, upon a task which we cannot lay down or vary in course, without doing a heavy blow alike at the honor and the safety of our Empire.

SEALSKIN PRICES.
The prices obtained at the sealskin sales in London on December 24th, just received by mail, were as follows:

SEALSKIN PRICES (continued)
Wigs, middling... 90s 4d 52s 0d
Wigs, small... 75s 0d 75s 0d
Wigs, large... 75s 0d 75s 0d
Wigs, extra... 75s 0d 75s 0d
Wigs, small, cut... 57s 6d 52s 0d
Wigs, extra, cut... 57s 6d 52s 0d
Wigs, small, cut, etc... 57s 6d 52s 0d
Wigs, extra, cut, etc... 57s 6d 52s 0d
Wigs, small, cut, etc... 57s 6d 52s 0d
Wigs, extra, cut, etc... 57s 6d 52s 0d

Indirectly Caused the Death of the World's Greatest General.
It is a matter of history that Napoleon was a gourmand, an insatiable lover of the good things of life, and history further records that his favorite dish was fried onions; his death from cancer of stomach it is claimed, was probably caused from his excessive indulgence of this fondness for the odorous vegetable.

The onion is undoubtedly a wholesome article of food, in fact has many medicinal qualities of value; but it would be difficult to find a more indigestible article than fried onions, and to many people they are simply poison, and in the onion does not stand alone in this respect. Any article of food that is not thoroughly digested becomes a source of disease and discomfort whether it be fried onions or beef steak.

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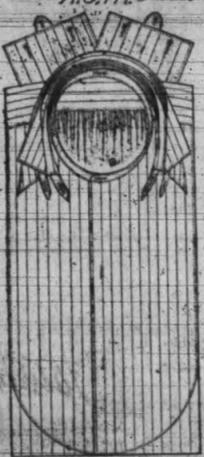
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Dawson Water Supply

How They Manage to Keep the Hydrants From Freezing.

Warming Huts—Opening of First Public School—A Shipping Disaster.

Keith Weston, writing to the Toronto Globe from Dawson, under the date of November 14th, says:

Whether the system of waterworks inaugurated in Dawson during the past summer will prove efficient for winter service is a question which is at present affording considerable speculation.

In view of the several disastrous fires of last winter, effective measures have been taken to secure better fire protection. The Dawson fire brigade now consists of twenty paid members, who are under agreement to live in the fire huts and give their whole time to the service.

In a town consisting entirely of frame and log houses, chinked with moss or pitch, and without chimneys, only instant fire service is of any practical use. The people are better satisfied to have a good fire service, even though they have to pay a heavy tax for the same.

To anticipate immunity from fires during the coming months would be absurd, but the expectation is that the improved service will render any that may occur much less disastrous than those of last year.

The first public school opened in Dawson last week, under the auspices of the Roman Catholic church. It is announced that the teaching will be non-sectarian, and parents of all faiths or no faith are invited to send their children. The school building has been erected by the church authorities and stands on church ground. It will be taught by one of the church sisters.

The effort made by the Roman Catholic church will probably be appreciated by parents of all creeds, since it is the only educational resource in the town.

The wreck of the steamers Stratton and Willie Irving has been the only disaster of our "short-in" month. The former is a total loss—the vessel and all that it contained of mail being crushed and submerged at a moment's notice. The passengers barely escaped.

The Willie Irving broke to pieces more deliberately, so that all the cargo was saved. But the vessel itself eventually disappeared.

The story of the disaster will doubtless have reached the East long before this letter appears; but the full thrill of it is only realized as we listen to the passengers of the wrecked vessels, the majority of whom have just reached Dawson, after a weary, dangerous and painful "mush-ing" over the one hundred and thirty intervening miles. At midnight, in the cold and desolation of late November, these two brave little boats, picking their way, late way down the river, now bucking great bodies of ice, now "threading between huge floes, came to a pause in a narrow pass between tall cliffs of granite. The ice appeared to be jammed at this point beyond all hope of breaking again.

A sudden roar sounded from above them up the river. Then a rush of water and ice from a broken jam swept down upon the vessels, turned the Stratton, which lay full in the current, broadside, then turned her bottom up, and engulfed her completely.

The passengers had barely time to scramble on to the side of the boat as she turned slowly over, then on to the bottom, from which place they jumped to the ice and scrambled over the floes to the shore, 250 feet away. In two minutes not a sign of the boat remained.

The Irving's passengers, less than a quarter-mile away, saw the Stratton disappear, deserted their own boat, which was badly crushed with ice pressure, and made for the opposite shore. Camp fires were lit on the banks, and the shivering, terrified people stood around these while several of the men found their way to the Selkirk N.W.M.P. depot a quarter-mile distant. Here the women and children, with some of the men, were housed in some fashion, a neighboring bank house took others.

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The new mail route cuts off the most uncertain and difficult portions of the inland part of the journey, that of Thirly-mile and Tagish Lakes. The new route is from Cariboo to White Horse, over the railway trail, thus saving 45 miles of Tagish trail; along the east shore of Lower Lebarge Lake, thence by the new overland trail, recently cut by Mr. McArthur, to Tantalus, near Fort Selkirk, thus saving an additional sixty-five miles. From Selkirk the trail will follow the Yukon river, an ice trail, to Dawson.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report. Forecasted by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Jan. 12-3 a.m. The present rainy weather is due to high barometric pressure prevailing over the American Plateau region...

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Give your friends Blue Ribbon Tea. Dandruff, falling hair and baldness cured. Dr. Walter's Hair Restorer used. Electric Parlor, 114 1/2 Yates street. Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R.A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

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Lola Cotton, the psychological marvel, to-night.

Four samples of 1900 Crawford Bicycles can be seen at O'Leary & Pimley's, Broad street, and they are beautiful.

Provincial Librarian Schofield has made arrangements whereby, for the convenience of members of the House, the provincial library will be kept open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Sundays, and until 10 o'clock p.m. every week day.

Don't miss the promenade concert at the Drill Hall to-morrow evening.

At the residence of Mrs. McLennan, Catherine street, Victoria West, on Wednesday evening, the Rev. D. Macleod united in marriage Mr. John Farn and Miss Mary Douglas, the former being supported by Mr. D. R. Black and the latter by Miss Kate McKenzie. The newly married couple will make their home on Craigflower road, Victoria West.

Drill Hall concert to-morrow night. The regular Saturday evening concert will take place in Temperance Hall to-morrow evening. On this occasion Mr. J. G. Brown is responsible for the programme. He has secured the assistance of some splendid performers, among them being the Robson Family Orchestra, Major Monroe, Mr. Brownlie, Mr. Semple, Miss Clarke, Misses Cutler, Mr. Oliver, Mrs. Hart, Rev. Mr. Barrough and others. It is safe to say the programme will be one of exceptional merit, and the hall will be filled.

No trading stamps, premiums or discount, but best value ever offered. \$12 Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats at Fitz-Robert Wardrobe.

A meeting of Alexandra Lodge, Sons of England, was held last evening, when the following officers were installed: District Deputy - Bro. Bull; P.M. - Thomas W.P. Jas. Nankivell; V.P. - H. Wagner; committee - J. R. Greig, G. Stevens, J. J. Cash, J. J. R. Williams; O.G. - Geo. Miller; auditors - R. Lettice, J. Lovick and C. F. Bevan; trustees - N. Shakespeare and Wm. Dodds. Upon the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the lodge discussed the recent action of the Medical Association in refusing to participate in a society work in their professional capacity. The lodge is in a most satisfactory condition numerically, while the financial side of the question is most favorable, there being the substantial sum of \$1,800 to their credit in the bank.

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Court Northern Light A.O.F. held their quarterly meeting on Wednesday evening, when six candidates were initiated and six applications for membership received. The past quarter has been a most successful one, both numerically and financially, the court having initiated 51 new members and increased their funds to the amount of \$358. The court has upheld the action of their delegate at the societies convention (see medical officer), and have given their delegate full power to make the appointments. The following officers were elected, and will be installed at the next meeting of the court: Chief ranger, F. Hant; sub-chief ranger, J. G. Hillon; treasurer, W. P. Smith; secretary, W. F. Fullerton; senior woodward, C. R. Lawson; junior woodward, E. H. Henly; senior beadle, H. E. Pridham; junior beadle, L. Ruehlund; trustee, W. H. Cox.

LOST THE TASTE For ordinary Coffee. "It is strange how people will try to invest 25c a cup for their feeding habit, rather than to charge the trouble to some habit they may have that they have good reason to believe is the real cause. For instance, all the time that we were using coffee on our table it was subject to occasional terrible headaches, and my husband was half sick with nervous troubles."

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"He was skeptical on the subject, but to please me, said we would give Postum a trial, so he procured a package and I made it, but the milk we were using was of the kind that produced little cream, and that did not give us as good a beverage as we found afterwards could be secured with cream. However, in spite of the drawback, we grew to like the Postum Food Coffee, and both of us found ourselves greatly benefited by the change. My head ceased to trouble me entirely, and my husband was practically made over."

"We were out of the Postum for a time, and having coffee in the house and feeling so much better, we concluded to try the coffee again, but in a few days my headaches came back, so that we became satisfied where the real trouble existed. We used Postum for quite a long time, and still having some in the house, tried coffee again. Imagine our surprise in discovering that we no longer cared for the taste of the ordinary coffee, so the next morning we had a rare treat, in a cup of piping hot, delicious Postum."

"Coffee is no longer kept in our house. Our children are very fond of the new kind of 'coffee' as they call it, and we give them as much as they want to drink, without fearing to injure their health. I find that it enables me to furnish baby with a more abundant supply of milk than I could otherwise do. Postum Cereal Food Coffee has indeed been a great boon to our family." Mrs. Mary Wade-Baybrook, O.

Excellent programme at the Drill Hall concert to-morrow evening.

Fail scores at Messiah at Fletcher Bros.

Go and see "Beauty and the Beast" to-night at the Reformed Episcopal Sunday school. Take your children. Admission 20c.

A portion of the Mount Newton hotel, Saanich, owned by Mr. Sandover, was sold yesterday for \$2,800. In all probability this popular hotel will continue open to the patronage of the touring public.

The Mechanics Club, which meets in the Grand Central Hotel, had a very profitable session last evening, the subject under discussion being some of the phases of electricity. A very valuable paper was read by Mr. B. Hutchison, brother of the city electrician.

The "Sons Soci" Club held a dance in the Harmony hall last night, when a most enjoyable evening was spent by the 25 couples present. The music furnished by the Robson family orchestra was all that could be desired. All who attended are looking forward to the next dance.

Drill Hall concert to-morrow night. Edward Scott was charged in the police court this morning with vagrancy and sentenced to six months imprisonment with hard labor. John Coan was charged with an infraction of the street law by driving over the sidewalk. He was fined \$5, or in default ten days with hard labor. Five women of Chatham street were summoned for keeping bawdy houses, but as they did not appear it is expected they have left the city.

Clean, cold cash—a discount of 20 per cent on all cash sales of over one dollar until January 31st in all lines of clothing, men's furnishings, hats, etc., at Reid's winter clearance sale, 122 Government street.

Following is the programme of music to be performed by the Fifth Regiment band at the concert in the drill hall to-morrow evening.

PART I. Overture—"Foot and Peasant".....Suppe. Fantasia—"Musical Scenes From Berkeley".....Langey. Patrol—"British".....Anche. A Chinese Embassy.....(Specially dedicated to Li Hong Chang.)

PART II. Concert Voice—"Cantata".....Gungl. Popular Selection—"The Winner".....Mackie (introducing ten popular song successes). Tropical Dance—"La Belle Croire".....Herman. March—"Dumpty Commemorative".....Hall. God Save the Queen.

The charge against Capt. Rice of the ship Hawaiian Isles, of contravening the quarantine regulations was continued in the provincial police court this morning. There was an alteration of the legal tactics on the part of the counsel for the defence. Mr. Duff, who argued that the case was within the magistrate's jurisdiction, Mr. Alexis Martin for the Dominion government on the other hand was desirous of withdrawing the case on the same ground held by Mr. Duff yesterday—that it was outside of Magistrate Hall's jurisdiction. The evidence of Dr. Watt showed that his examination of the accused at Williams Head was not under oath. The case is going on this afternoon.

The following messages passed last night between the newly elected mayors of Victoria and Vancouver:

Victoria, January 11th, 1900. Mayor Garden, Vancouver, B.C.: Heartily congratulations. Hope both cities will work in harmony for mutual progress.

CHARLES HAYWARD, Mayor, Victoria.

Vancouver, January 12th, 1900. Mayor Hayward, Victoria, B.C.: I congratulate you and reciprocate your good wishes.

JAS. F. GARDEN, Mayor.

The installation of the new officers Dominion Lodge, I. O. O. F., took place in the lodge rooms, Douglas street, last evening, as follows: N.G., Jno. Bell; V.G., A. G. Mallett; sec., T. Blamford; treas., P. A. Robinson; warden, J. M. Matthews; conductor, W. B. Shakespeare; O.G., W. Haxthabell; L. G., D. Burns; R.S.N.G., A. Sherrill; L.S.N.G., J. P. Fremont; S.S.G., T. C. Douglas; L.S.V.G., W. Hiner; J.S.S., W. Merrifield; L.S.S., J. E. Palmer; chaplain, Rev. E. G. Miller; organist, F. A. Billingsley; D.D.G.M., E. Briggs.

Two important subjects, the suggested amalgamation with Victoria lodge and the question of securing lodge societies, were laid over for another week. At the conclusion of business the annual banquet was held, Mr. Pottinger being the caterer, and supplying an abundance of good things. The N. G. and V. G. were the guests of the evening. The customary toasts were duly honored, the company dispersing at midnight after a very pleasant evening.

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Absent members from the government side of the Centennial church, mock parliament are responsible for the very uncertain state of affairs existing at present. The pro-legislative child of the party in power, The Civil Service Reform Act, 1897, was productive of a whirlwind of eloquence last evening from both sides, and the Davey government was only sustained by the vote of the speaker. Certainly the opposition have every reason to assume an attitude of the most hopeful expectation for that haven, the treasury chest seems delightfully near; but the ability to hold the reins of power. The debate on Wednesday evening next will be on "An Act for the Abolition of the Indian Reserves in Canada." Those who participated in the last debate were the Minister of Trade and Commerce, (J. Campbell); Controller of Customs, (D. Tait); Minister of Public Works, (E. Power); the Premier, while Messrs. Robertson, Grant and Black upheld the honors of the opposition.

SHIPPING NEWS. HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

In an interview given by James J. Hill to Aler J. Bethen, of Seattle, at St. Paul on Thursday, the president of the Great Northern railway told of his proposed Oriental line. He showed plans of two great oceanic freighters which will be completed within the next eighteen months for the Oriental trade. The dimensions of these steamers is almost startling. Each will be seven hundred and thirty feet long, by seventy-four feet amidships, fifty feet from water line to deck and one hundred and fifty feet in stowage deck, the capacity of each being twenty-two thousand tons and requiring fourteen hundred freight cars to fill even so. These vessels will be the largest on the Pacific, and other oceanic for that matter. They will eclipse the Olympic and the Great Eastern would be a sorry thing beside them. Mr. Hill considers that these steamers will not only lead the world for a decade, but by their superior and economical arrangements the cost of freight across the Pacific will be reduced to such a point that there can be no competition on the Coast. These steamers will be followed by two others within a year of the launching of the second. The cost of these "oceanic monsters" will exceed two and a half million.

There are now seven ocean steamers bound on route to this port. Five steamers are coming from China and Japan, the first being the steamer Kiyun Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, which is expected on Sunday. The next is the steamer Godewin of the Nippon Yusen line, due on the 20th. Steamer Minoera of the Canadian-Australian line is due five days later. Besides these regular liners there are now a number of trampers en route, steamer Needles is coming from Shimonaki to load at Chemahus, and the Laverne is bound from one of the Oriental ports to load lumber, at a port on this side not yet named. Another vessel bound here is the steamer Remus, which will bring freight for Victoria and Vancouver merchants. It is said she will enter the service of the San Diego-Orient line after arriving here.

Sealing schooner Libbie has cleared for her coast cruise, and is awaiting the abatement of the heavy winds before leaving for Abousett to pick up her 400 Indians. When she sails but one vessel of the fleet to hunt this year on the coast will remain in port, the Minnie, which is being overhauled. When the Minnie sails there will be in all 31 schooners of the Victoria sealing fleet on the coast, with a total tonnage of 2,150 tons, giving employment to about four hundred white men and six hundred Indians. Of the fleet 23 vessels are hunting with Indians and eight with crews composed entirely of white men. The coast fleet this year is much larger than that of last year.

On entering Abousett last week the sealing schooner Sadie Turpel touched the mud and sprang a leak. She was beached for repairs. This is the true version of a marine mishap which grows to an alarming shipwreck on reaching Port Townsend, for there a paper there under the head, "Schooner wrecked" or "wrecked." The well known sealing schooner Sadie Turpel is a wreck near the little Indian village of Abousett, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. She went ashore during a terrific gale, and the crew reached the shore only after the greatest hardships.

Owing to the shortage of tonnage in the North Pacific, the Occidental Railway Company, of Mexico, whose representative has been endeavoring to buy a supply of coal and lumber for shipment to the Mexican coast, has been obliged to cancel water orders they had given. Neither here nor on the Sound could a vessel be chartered. The representative of the Mexican company has gone to San Francisco, and failing to get a carrier there, says his company will be forced to go to Australia to supply their needs.

Steamer Queen Adelaide of the Northern Pacific line arrived at the outer wharf from Tacoma this morning, and after loading a small quantity of freight and embarking about a dozen Chinese passengers, she sailed early this afternoon for Yokohama and other ports of Japan and China. She was crowded with the hatches with through freight. Steamer 8th, lately in the transport

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At the meeting of the Alaska Steamship Association, held at Seattle, the alleged cutting of rates by the steamer Townsend was investigated. The matter was laid on the table. A committee from the Alaska Miners' Association appeared before the board and applied for financial aid from the steamship association to send a representative to Washington to look after the interests of Alaska miners, particularly those operating at Nome.

The story told by the San Francisco Call of the placing of the Northern Pacific steamers on the Victoria-San Francisco route has been denied by the N.P. officials, as told in these columns.

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PITCAIRN ISLAND AND ITS INHABITANTS.

(By J. H. Durand.)

III.

Death of John Adams.

After the events already recorded, the even uneventful road of life in the little community passed along with scarcely a ripple to stir its monotonous surface.

The native cloth or toga is made from the bark of the aute plant, or paper mulberry, and has very much the nature and consistency of paper.

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The loud rustling of the paper sheets and quilts drives away all sleep from the eyes of the newcomer until he becomes accustomed to the new situation.

In 1828 two men reached Pitcairn who were to have a part in the history of this most quiet island home.

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succeeded in making the voyage and landing safely on the island, where they received a cordial welcome. Nobbs was not long on the island before he sought the hand of one of its maidens, Sarah Christian, to become his wife.

After a while Nobbs took charge of the school which had been taught by Buffitt. The latter did not agree to the change, but the people generally thought it best to make a change of instructors, and Nobbs was installed as head of the educational department of this community.

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port, England, and sent to the island by friends. Removal to Tahiti. About a year after the death of John Adams an English man-of-war visited the island, bringing gifts of clothing and other useful articles to its inhabitants.

On the 7th of March, the whole colony, with their stock of movable goods, sailed for the island of Tahiti, which was to be their home. Fifteen days' sail brought them to their destination.

The experiment did not prove to be a success. A short time after their arrival a malignant fever broke out among them and rapidly reduced their numbers. Although the people of Tahiti had made liberal provisions for the Pitcairners, the latter soon became home-sick for their former home.

AN OLD THEORY EXPLODED. The old-fashioned theory of tearing down disease was entirely changed by the advent of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, which cured by creating new rich blood and nerve tissue.

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TRANSPORTATION. CANADIAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION CO. (LIMITED).

Time Table No. 47—Taking Effect November 1st, 1899.

VANCOUVER ROUTE. Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday, at 1 o'clock a.m., Sunday, 11 p.m.

NORTHERN ROUTE. Steamships of this company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month, at 8 o'clock p.m.

BARCELONA SOUND ROUTE. Mr. Williams leaves Victoria for Alberca and Sound ports on the 1st, 15th and 29th of each month, extending latter trips to Quatino Sound, Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

FOR Cape Nome. The Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Limited, will dispatch their staunch iron SS. AMUR.

MAY 1st, 1900. The Amur has been thoroughly overhauled and is provided with commensurate passenger and freight of an exceptionally suitable character.

G. P. N. Co., Ltd., Steamers. Will leave Turner, Boston & Co.'s wharf for DYEA, SKAGWAY, WRANGEL.

"TEES" Jan. 10, 24. "DANUBE" Jan. 17, 31. And from Vancouver on following days.

THE NORTH-WESTERN'S Fast Mail. THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE. Have added two more trains to the Fast Mail service, making eight trains daily.

ALASKA STEAMSHIP CO. For Alaska and Gold Fields. "Dirigo" and "Rosalie" EVERY THURSDAY.

Spokane Falls & Northern Nelson & Fort Sheppard Red Mountain Railways. The only all rail route without change of cars between Spokane, Roseland and Nelson. Also between Nelson and Roseland.

"The Milwaukee". A familiar name for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, known all over the Union as the Great Railway.

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SS. CITY OF SEATTLE. Sells for Skagway, calling only at Ketchikan and Juneau, every ten days.

The Boscowitz Steamship Co., Ltd. STR. BOSCOWITZ. Will leave Spratt's wharf MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH AT 10 P. M.

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Without Change. Toronto, Montreal, Boston and St. Paul.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co. For San Francisco. The company's elegant steamships Queen, Walls and Unatilla, carrying H. B. M. mails, leave VICTORIA, B. C., 8 p. m.

FOR ALASKA. LEAVE SEATTLE 9 A. M. Chicago City, Jan. 10, 24, Feb. 7, 21, Mar. 7, 21, Apr. 4, 18, May 2, 16, Jun. 6, 20, Jul. 4, 18, Aug. 1, 15, 29, Sep. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 7, 21, Dec. 5, 19, 3, 17, 31.

THE GREAT NORTHERN. 75 Government Street, Victoria, B. C. Lv. Daily, 8:30 a.m. S.S. VICTORIAN. Ar. Daily, 5:30 p.m.

O. R. & N. Oregon Short Line. LOWEST RATES. SHORTEST ROUTE.

Agency Atlantic S.S. Lines. ORDERS ISSUED FOR PASSAGE FROM GREAT BRITAIN OR THE CONTINENT.

HALL, GOEPEL & CO., 100 Government Street. STEAMSHIP TICKETS TO AND FROM All Points in Europe.

FOR Hawaii, Samoa, New Zealand and Australia. S.S. MOANA, to sail Wednesday, Jan. 24, at 8 p. m.

S.S. AUSTRALIA, Wed. Feb. 7, 1900, at 2 p. m.

J. D. BRECKLES & BROS. Co., Agents, 114 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

Provincial News.

NEW WESTMINSTER. The government has invested in a carload of barbed wire fencing, which is to be put along the Chilliwack dyke, to prevent cattle from straying thereon, and consequently, injuring the banks, more or less.

GRAND FORKS. I. A. Manly was re-elected mayor yesterday by a majority of 13 over Chas. Cummings. The following aldermen were elected: H. A. Henderson, W. B. Davey, P. S. McCallum, W. M. K. C. Manly, J. Donnan and R. Harvey.

REVELSTOCK. The municipal elections for the city of Revelstoke resulted as follows: For mayor, A. N. Smith, 5 majority; aldermen, Patrick and J. McCallum, 1; by acclamation, W. Newman and Dr. McKechnie for Ward 2; by acclamation, J. Abrahamson and Needham for Ward 3, defeating T. J. Graham.

GREENWOOD. This, Hardy, mayor, has been re-elected over R. Woods by 45 majority. The aldermen are: North Ward, C. S. Galloway, P. P. Sharpe, B. A. Banerman; South Ward, James Sutherland, D. J. Sullivan and G. H. Cropley; Charles Dixon, night clerk at the C. Hotel, died on Monday morning at the hotel. He came here in October from Trail, and soon became very popular at the hotel. He was a single man, about 45 years of age. He was born in St. John, New Brunswick.

Work was started on Monday on another three-story building on Copper street, by Tom Walsh. The plans call for a building 25,000 feet in size, to have 20 rooms. It will cost \$5,000.

SLIG DIABLO. The city council, Washington, is in the city arranging for the erection of a business block on lot B, block 13, adjoining the Bank of Montreal building on Copper street. It will be a two-story frame structure to cost \$8,000.

NELSON. The statement issued by Mayor Neelands and Lieut. Kitcher giving receipts and disbursements in connection with the recent Mansion House smoking concert, shows that the committee have \$748.05 in cash, which can be forwarded at once to the secretary of the Mansion House fund.

EX-MAYOR JOHN HOUTON was elected mayor yesterday over Fletcher with a majority of six hundred. The successful candidate was supported by the labor unions, the eight-hour issue being the most important one. The aldermen elected were: Dr. Hail, W. J. Wilson, C. Morrison, A. L. McKillop, W. Irvine and Dr. Arthur.

ROSSLAND. It is probable that the motive power on the proposed railway from Rossland to the Velvet mine will be electricity. Mr. F. W. Peters, district agent of the Canadian Pacific railway, with headquarters at Nelson, who is in close touch with the South railway project, when questioned regarding what motive power would be used said that it was probable that if the road were built electricity might be used. This is a matter which has not yet been fully determined, but it will be decided in a short time.

MR. J. N. HILL, president of the Spokane Falls & Northern, and party, arrived in this city on Tuesday morning in his special car. The party spent the day in examining the company's terminals in this city and expressed themselves as much pleased with the manner in which Rossland was growing, and incidentally on the good showing made by the traffic of the Red Mountain road, which is increasing. One thing that they particularly inquired into was the matter of a junction with the tracks of the Canadian Pacific. It was noted that they were only a few feet apart, and that a few yards of track would be all that would be necessary to join them together. At present goods have to be transferred from one car to the other, which is considerable of a cost to shippers. Mr. Hill is a son of James J. Hill, the head of the Great Northern system.

VANCOUVER. Work was begun on Wednesday on the extension to the Canadian Pacific railway wharf. The wharf will be extended to join with Stinson's wharf at the foot of Abbott street, making a continuous line over half a mile in length. A large amount of filling in has lately been done in the same section. A sad death occurred on Wednesday, the victim being Miss Harrier Hobson, who passed away of heart failure. Major Gordon was elected for a third time yesterday, polling 1,528 votes to W. Brown's 1,344, a majority of 194 votes. The aldermen returns were as follows: Ward 1—Robt. Grant, 590, and W. Shaw, 465, elected; R. Gilmore, 375, defeated; Ward 2—McQueen, 962, and Neelands, 477, elected; R. Skinner, 394, defeated; Ward 3—Dr. McQuigan, 321, and R. McPhadden, 273, elected; J. Clendenning, 291, defeated; Ward 4—W. Wood, 300, and J. Baxter, 290, elected; J. Bruce, 283, and J. McMoran, 264, defeated; Ward 5—J. Foreman and R. Baker.

The principal issue was Deadman's Island and other labor issues embodied, such as the union label and no qualification for civic offices. On these ques-

Thirty six Years. Vin Mariani has been recommended and prescribed by the Medical Faculty, and in use in Public and Religious Institutions, etc., for thirty six (36) years. During all that time it has stood the severest tests. Each test proving its superior qualities and gaining for it increased confidence. RESTORES HEALTH, STRENGTH, VIGOR, VITALITY. Rev. Father Dillon, the Eminent Divine says: 'Monsieur Mariani: You have succeeded in giving me a new and exquisite source of energy. You are a benefactor of man.' At all Drugists. Refuse Substitutes. LAWRENCE A. WILSON & CO. Canadian Agents. MONTREAL.

NOTICE. Re William Macdonald, Deceased. All persons indebted to the estate of the above named deceased are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith, and all persons having claims against the said estate are required to send particulars of such claims to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1900. Dated the 15th day of December, 1899. JAMES YATES & JAY, 222 Bannockburn Street, Victoria. Solicitors for Alexander Wilson and John M. Read, executors.

UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD. THEOSOPHY. New Century (weekly), \$1.50 yearly. Editor, Katharine A. Tingley. Universal Brotherhood Magazine (monthly), \$2 yearly. Editor, Katharine A. Tingley. Publications devoted to teachings of Brotherhood on the broadest basis. Key Theosophy, by H. P. Blavatsky, \$1.50; Ocean of Theosophy, by W. Q. Judge, 50c. For information of the work, send book list, Newcomb, 144 Madison Avenue, New York.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate a Company with power to construct and operate a line of railway from a point at or near Pyramid Harbor, on the Chikot Inlet, near the head of the Lynn Canal, or from the International Boundary Line, at or near the village of Klukwan, northerly to Dalton's Post on the Dalton trail, and following the Dalton trail to Fort Selkirk, thence continuing by the most feasible route to Dawson City, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines; to mine and drill in mines; to crush, smelt, and work ores and minerals of all descriptions; to erect and operate all electrical works for the use and transmission of electric power, and to acquire and use water power for that purpose; also to erect and maintain trading posts, and carry on all necessary business in the Yukon District; and to do all necessary things in connection with the business of the Company.

Railroad Kidney. Every man or woman who travels on the cars, either steam or electric, is pretty sure in time to be troubled with kidney disorders. The constant jarring is what does it. Engineers and trainmen generally are especially liable and many of them now carry Doan's Kidney Pills. with them, knowing that it is only by these conquerors of kidney ills that they can find relief. Backache is the first indication of trouble. Urinary Disorders, Diabetes, even Bright's Disease, follow unless the remedy is used promptly. Mr. J. L. Malanson, an Intercolonial R.R. employee, residing on Robinson Street, Moncton, N. B., says: 'My trouble arose from a strain, and I have ever since been bothered with a pain in the small of my back extending to my joints. I am glad to testify to the effectiveness of Doan's Kidney Pills, for before I took them I could not stoop to lace my shoes, so intense was the pain and stiffness. I am now quite supple and consider Doan's Kidney Pills have cured me completely.'

Corporation of the City of Victoria.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1899.

Table with columns: ASSETS, SINKING FUNDS, LIABILITIES, LOANS. Includes items like Water Works Loan, Municipal Taxes, Licenses, etc.

Receipts and Expenditure, 1899.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, SUMMARY, DETAILED EXPENDITURE. Includes items like Cash, Jan. 1, 1899, City debt, Municipal council, etc.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1899.—Continued.

Table with columns: Public Market, Sewerage, Buildings and Surveys, Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks, Miscellaneous, CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. Includes various departmental accounts and financial summaries.

