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CONDITIONS OF SURRENDER

Rumors That Dewet, Steyn and Haasbroeck Have Decided to Give Up the Unequal Contest.

KTOX ENGAGES THE WILY LEADER.

Boer Force Holds a Position Near Lew Kop and Hopes to Break Away to the South—Chasing the Invaders.

(Associated Press.) Bloemfontein, Orange River Colony, Dec. 26.—There are renewed but unconfirmed rumors here that Gen. Dewet, President Steyn and Gen. Haasbroeck have had a conference and decided to offer to surrender, provided the colonial rebels shall not be punished, and the leaders, including themselves, are not deported.

Engaging Dewet.
London, Dec. 27.—The following dispatch has been received from Lord Kitchener:

"Pretoria, Dec. 26.—Knox, with Barker, Pilcher and White, is engaged with Dewet's force, holding a position in the neighborhood of Lew Kop. Dewet hopes to break through and get south again.

"The Boers' eastern column in Cape Colony is apparently headed by our troops about Rietpoortspruit.

"The Boers' western column is reported to have gone north in two portions, one towards Prieska and the other through Steunburg. They are being followed up."

The following dispatch from General Kitchener was received from Pretoria under to-day's (Thursday) date:

"Yesterday 200 Boers attacked a small police post near Rietpoort. The police gallantly drove them off before reinforcements from Johannesburg arrived. The Boers damaged the mining machinery in the neighborhood.

"The Boers attacked Utrecht at 2 o'clock this morning and were driven off.

"The Boers held up a train three miles west of Pan and were driven off.

"The eastern force of the Boers in Cape Colony was headed yesterday and driven in the direction of Venterstad.

"The western force is still being driven north through Steynsburg."

Skirmishes Reported.
Capetown, Dec. 27.—A small party of Boers attacked Burgersdorp on December 24th. They were repulsed after heavy fighting.

The Boers are active, and skirmishes in several places have been reported.

Charged by Lancers.
Burgersdorp, Cape Colony, Dec. 26.—Col. Grenfell continues in touch with Krutzinger's command of 700 men who are carrying off the British prisoners.

Krutzinger has abandoned his Maxims and carts.

An attempt of the 9th Lancers to turn Krutzinger's flank at Plasterhevel on December 24th resulted in eight casual-

Colville Declines

To Send in His Resignation, Which Was Demanded by War Office.

Sir Henry is in Command of Infantry Brigade Stationed at Gibraltar.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 27.—The war office has begun the promised reform of the army in a sensational manner. It has demanded the resignation of Major General Sir Henry Colville, commanding an infantry brigade at Gibraltar, and recently commanding the ninth division of the South Africa field force. General Colville refuses to resign, and is now on his way to England.

The news is all the more startling as the question of Colville's responsibility for the Yeomanry's disaster at Lindley last May was fully investigated by the authorities when General Colville returned from South Africa last summer. After the inquiry General Colville was re-instated in his command at Gibraltar in September last.

The attitude of the war office indicates that a new regime in Pall Mall will reverse the decisions of Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wolseley in regard to some of the recent commanders in South Africa.

General Colville, like General Methuen, has always been a great social personage in London and a prominent club man. He has had a most distinguished military career, has been repeatedly mentioned in dispatches, and is familiarly known as "Olders." He is also known as an author, and on the occasion of his marriage created a sensation by going on his honeymoon in a balloon.

TO REPRESENT RUSSIA.

M. Klemm Has Been Appointed Consul at Bombay.

(Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—To occupy the post of first Russian consul at Bombay, the government has appointed M. Klemm, for many years in the foreign office service in Central Asia and latterly secretary of the Russian political agency at Bokhara. Russia secured the right of consular representation at Bombay after long and difficult negotiations, the British government being slow to admit that the commercial interests of Russia justified the departure. The real objection, naturally, was the fear that the consulate would serve for political instead of commercial purposes.

EXECUTION POSTPONED.

(Associated Press.) Spokane, Wn., Dec. 27.—Edward Rice, who brutally murdered old Matt Maey at Wallace, Idaho, will live till another century. He was sentenced to be hanged December 21st, 1900, but a stay of execution has been granted because of an appeal to the Supreme court.

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The Result of the Official Re-count in Yale-Cariboo Announced To-day.

(Special to the Times.) Kamloops, Dec. 27.—The result of the official re-count in Yale-Cariboo is as follows: Gallimer, 3,106; Foley, 2,644; McKane, 2,581.

There were rejected 42 ballots; 88 spoiled.

Other Valley poll was thrown out, the deputy having failed to make a return. The ballot boxes have not been received from Gladstone and Deer Park. Unofficial returns from these points were: Otter Valley—Gallimer, 3; Foley, 9; McKane, 3.

Gladstone—Gallimer, 27; Foley, 8; McKane, 9.

Deer Park—Gallimer, 4; Foley, 0; McKane, 2.

Big Mining Deal

Van Anda Copper and Gold Company's Interest Sold to English Syndicate.

Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars to Be Spent in Development.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 27.—The sale of the entire interest in Teanada Island of the Van Anda Copper and Gold Company was completed to-day. Eighty-five per cent of the stock was transferred to an English syndicate, headed by John Lowles, ex-M.P. of the British House of Commons, who has large interests in Kootenay.

The deal is the largest ever made on the coast, the basis of the consideration being half a million in cash. All the bondholders will be paid, and a small dividend given to shareholders.

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars will at once be spent in development, \$100,000 of this being for a tramway from Cornell shaft to the smelter, new hoisting plants, etc.—Six hundred thousand dollars have been spent on the property to date.

H. W. Treat, formerly principal owner, will retire from the management on February 1st, when he will leave for New York.

TORTURED BY NEGRO.

Broke into a House, Ill-treated an Old Couple and Stole Valuables.

(Associated Press.) Marietta, O., Dec. 27.—A Johnson and wife, both over 80 years of age, were bound, tortured and robbed last night at their home near Marietta, West Virginia, by a negro. The negro, a white man, left his victims bound after securing all valuables. Mrs. Johnson is totally paralyzed from the shock and her husband is badly injured.

AGAIN AT WORK.

Secretary Hay Has Recovered From His Slight Indisposition.

(Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 27.—Secretary Hay has recovered from his indisposition and was again at his desk in the state department to-day. This being diplomatic day he had many callers, the Chinese minister being the first. Neither the secretary nor the minister had any late advice from Peking.

CONFESSION OF MURDER.

(Associated Press.) Clare, Mich., Dec. 27.—The man whose murder was confessed in Sacramento was Owen Feeney, instead of Bill Fenner, as has been stated. Feeney was in Clare on January 8th, 1898, and displayed considerable money. He boarded a train that night for the lumber camp, where he was employed, and was never seen again alive. Search was begun and a hole was discovered in the ice on a small lake near the lumber camp, but the body could not be found. The following September Feeney's body was found in the lake with his throat cut and the skull fractured. His money was missing. This tallies with the confession to the Sacramento police.

TROUBLESOME INDIANS.

(Associated Press.) Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 27.—A message from Chihuahua, capital of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, states that the Apaches are on the warpath in that state, and that the inhabitants of Granada have organized to meet the redskins. The Indians are in the mountains robbing isolated ranches and stealing cattle. It is likely that they belong to a part of the tribe which escaped from the White River reservation several years ago.

CRUISE OF TORPEDO FLEET.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 27.—The United States torpedo boat Ericson sailed from Hampton Roads to-day. She will be one of the torpedo fleet which, accompanied by the battleship Alabama, will shortly sail to join the North Atlantic squadron on its annual winter cruise in the tropics. The flagship Kearsarge and the Massachusetts started from Hampton Roads on Saturday for Pensacola, and the rendezvous will be made somewhere in the Gulf.

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No News Of Capture

Report That Squadron of Yeomanry is in Hands of Boers is Not Confirmed.

The Returned Canadians Entertained at Toronto-Interview With Col. Otter.

London, Dec. 26.—The paucity and obscurity of the dispatches from South Africa give rise to renewed anxiety.

Apparently the disturbed area of Cape Colony extends further south than it did last December, and Lord Kitchener does not appear to have had much success as yet in driving back the invaders.

The war office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of Yeomanry near Britstown.

A Burgherdrif dispatch has a mysterious reference to "An unfortunate mistaking of the enemy for Brabant's Horse," which resulted in the sounding of "cease firing," and enabled the Boers to occupy all the commanding positions, the British retiring from a difficult predicament.

General Clements's success against the Boers at Magaliesburg region is also doubtful, the last dispatch reporting "it was considered advisable not to force the Boers from their positions."

The British press continues "in the main optimistic, but the condition of affairs brings home the enormous difficulties that will face Lord Kitchener in patrolling and policing such immense tracts of country, even when the Boers shall have been finally subdued."

The Daily Mail, which makes a strong appeal to the government to "face the facts and send Lord Kitchener more troops," says, "There is a real risk in being lulled to sleep by carefully censoring messages."

According to a dispatch from Johannesburg, Lord Kitchener has issued a proclamation dated Pretoria, December 26th, announcing that burghers who voluntarily surrendered will be allowed to live with their families in the government hangers until such time as guerrilla warfare has sufficiently abated to admit of their returning in safety to their homes.

The proclamation also promises that all property and stock brought in at the time of surrender will be respected and paid for if requisitioned by the military authorities.

Canadians at Toronto. Toronto, Dec. 26.—In London the entire city turned out to greet Colonel Buchan and returning volunteers.

The Toronto members of the Royal Canadian Legion who returned with Colonel Otter, reached home in ample time for the Christmas dinner and festivities, as did in fact those from all save the most distant parts of Ontario.

The reception given them in Toronto was hearty, but largely informal, no attempt being made to devote the day to it as in the case of the men first returning. There were however, many thousands at and about Union station between 9 and 10 o'clock.

Colonel Otter received a warm welcome. Large crowds had gathered in a mood awaiting the arrival of the soldiers, where they were to receive a formal welcome and dismissal. The short route march was thickly lined with spectators and the crowds at the armories were in a joyous mood and cheered enthusiastically when Otter and his men entered. The mayor read a civic address of congratulation to Otter. Colonel Buchan was not present, having gone on to London.

Colonel Otter, interviewed to-day regarding charges made against him of too strict discipline while in Africa, said: "I have nothing to excuse, nothing to defend. I did what I thought to be my duty without fear and without hesitation, and the regiment came through in a very high state of efficiency and with a splendid record."

Eyesight Destroyed. Montreal, Dec. 26.—Word had been received in this city that Wilfrid Dougall, nephew of John Dougall, editor of the Witness, has been seriously wounded in South Africa, having had his eyesight destroyed and nose injured. He went to Africa with the second contingent.

New Zealand's Contingent. Wellington, N. Z., Dec. 27.—The sixth contingent of New Zealanders, 200 strong, half being Maoris, will sail for South Africa in three weeks.

ATROCIOUS MURDER. Filippos Kill a Woman They Think a Witch. Washington, Dec. 26.—News has been received at the war department, of a peculiarly atrocious murder in the Philippines, the circumstances of which were developed at the trial of six natives, before a military commission, at Capiz, Panay, P. I.

It appeared from the testimony, that two of the prisoners, were responsible for the death of the wife of one of their neighbors. With seven or eight other men, they went to the house of a native, named Victor Perez, and forcibly took him and his wife to the Panay river, where they bound their hands behind them, and told them that their last day had come. The woman was struck with a bolo, and her dead body thrown into

Outrages On Christians

Villagers East of Pekin Are Plotting to Exterminate Native Converts.

Sheng Has Been Appointed to Assist in the Peace Negotiations.

ANOTHER KIDNAPING. In This Case Mrs. Miller Has Run Away With Her Own Son.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—A sensational kidnaping, involving the family of ex-Senator W. H. Miller, occurred this afternoon and led to a hot chase a few minutes later across the state to overtake the wife of Samuel D. Miller, son of W. H. Miller, who was supposed to be flying to New York with her stolen son.

Miller and his wife have lived in New York for several years, and last summer he came west to go into his father's office. His wife stayed in New York.

Last Friday she came here to demand possession of her seven-year-old son, whom the father had brought west with him and who was living with him at the grandfather's house. The husband and wife had a consultation at the wife's apartment in the Denison and she agreed that if the boy was allowed to be sent to her daily with the nurse she would not attempt to kidnap him.

This afternoon the boy and the nurse called on Mrs. Miller at the Denison. She sent the nurse out to get a check cashed, and while the governess was gone, ordered a carriage and made arrangements to leave. When the governess returned, Mrs. Miller announced that they were going for a drive and she started in a closed carriage toward the depot. The German governess suspecting foul play, jumped out of the carriage, ran to a telephone to notify the father.

Mrs. Miller immediately ordered the carriage driven to Brightwood, and when the two Millers arrived at the Union station there was no trace of the woman and boy. Two hours later they received information which led them to believe that Mrs. Miller intended to take the Big Four accommodation train at Brightwood, and then take the Knickerbocker train at Anderson's Muncie. At 6:20 the Knickerbocker train started on its way, and Mrs. Miller, before she got out of the station, was gone.

Mrs. Miller was Miss Helen Karcher, of Pottstown, Pa. Samuel Miller first met her nine years ago at Washington, when his father was President Harrison's attorney-general. They married a year later.

THE CUP RACES. New York Yacht Club Will Invite Prince of Wales and the Kaiser.

London, Dec. 26.—The New York Yacht Club, says the Daily Express, will invite Emperor William and the Prince of Wales to witness the cup races, and President McKim will also send notes expressing the pleasure their visits would give.

Sir Thomas Lipton, who has been interviewed on the subject by the Daily Express, said he thought it within the range of possibility that the Prince of Wales would accept such an invitation.

FOUR YEARS FOR SWINDLING. Paris, Dec. 26.—The appeal court has confirmed the sentence of four years' imprisonment imposed on a swindler named Goffray, who posed in clerical circles here in April last as the "Cardinal Bishop of Washington," soliciting funds to convert the young Indians of New Mexico.

Several times Goffray succeeded in celebrating mass at St. Raphael, finally he appeared at Montplament, in the department of Drome, where he lectured to the trappist monks on his terrible adventures in the Rockies, where he said he had been scalped by the Indians while preaching the Gospel to them.

The fraud was discovered by Goffray pretending that the Indians of the Rocky Mountains were Esquimaux.

POLAR EXPEDITIONS. London, Dec. 26.—Mr. Evelyn Baldwin, the Arctic explorer who is arranging for the Baldwin-Ziegler expedition, has purchased the Requimans, the largest and sturdiest of the whaling fleet, fitted her with modern appliances, and named her the America. The ship will be the British Antarctic expedition, whose organizers desired to secure the Esquimaux as a substitute ship.

KILLED GOING TO DANCE. Bryan, Ohio, Dec. 26.—Wayne Corwell, aged 45, and Charles Conan, aged 21, left here last night for Blakeslee, where they were to attend a Christmas dance. In crossing the Wahash railway track near that place they were struck by a passenger train, and both instantly killed. The shock caused the death of Mrs. Conan.

CZAR'S HEALTH. St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—The Russian minister of the interior, M. S. Siniaguine, who arrived to-day from Ladidz, where Emperor Nicholas is convalescing, asserts that the Czar is now completely restored.

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Big Preparations

Australian Commonwealth Will Be Inaugurated With Much Pomp.

Australian papers to hand by the R. M. S. Mivora this morning contain lengthy accounts of the preparations in progress in the Antipodean colonies for the commonwealth ceremonies at the beginning of the year.

The government at Melbourne has offered the spacious and well lighted grand hall at the exhibition building to the first parliament of the commonwealth, thus accommodation will be provided for 20,000 people, who otherwise would have to stand in the street. There is little doubt that this offer will be accepted.

The government will spend \$4,000 in decorating and beautifying the hall.

Sir George Turner wrote to Sir William Lyne with a view to ascertaining how far the distinguished visitors would be the guests of the government of New South Wales. An answer came to the effect that the government was desirous of receiving a large number of distinguished visitors, but could only take under the whole expenses was concerned, such high dignitaries as ministers of the crown, judges and so on. Ordinary members of parliament would be expected to make their own arrangements and pay their own bills.

In Sydney wood, coal and wheat arched will be erected at a cost of \$250 each. The directors of the North Germany Lloyd Company have arranged to accommodate 100 guests on the Grosser Kurfer during the celebrations. The Canadians in Victoria are determined that their Dominion shall not be forgotten, and are arranging for an allegorical car to represent Canada, drawn by six horses.

The procession at Sydney will be as follows: 1. mounted police; 2. military and naval bands; 3. Imperial, Indian and Inter-Departmental staffs; 4. Governor-General's advance escort; 5. Governor-General; 6. Governor-General's staff; 7. Governor-General's suite; 8. His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor; 9. His Excellency the Admiral; 10. distinguished in attendance; 11. official contingent; 12. executive committee; 13. president and members of the legislative council; 14. Speaker and members of the legislative assembly; 15. mayor and members of the city of Sydney; 16. the judge; 17. heads of the churches; 18. chancellor of the universities; 19. heads of government departments; 20. public officials; 21. clubs of commerce; 22. representatives of friendly societies; 23. representatives of trades unions; 24. other public bodies; 25. bands.

WAR CORRESPONDENTS' RISKS. Julian Ralph Admits That His Lot is Not Without Its Dangers.

Julian Ralph confesses in the Century that he has been converted from the opinion that the life of a war correspondent is not a dangerous one.

Just before I went to the war in South Africa I was asked by the editor of a London magazine to write about war correspondents and their work. What I wrote was in criticism of those of my occasional comrades who appear to fancy it a clever thing to put themselves in danger of death on the battle-field, and afterward write about one another's sensational performances, as if these reflected glory upon them and their profession. I have not changed my mind about the behavior of those who try to share the experience of the private soldier, thus bringing themselves to his rank, and needlessly jeopardizing their lives to the public in flat violation of the trust reposed in them by their employers. I have since been the companion of a man who honestly believed it his duty to enter a battle elbow to elbow with the private soldiers, in order, as he said, that he might know the temper of the "Tomnies" and the conditions under which they were fighting. My opinion remains the same, not because this brave gentleman was disabled in the very first battle, and had to leave the war, but because he is a man apart from what I criticize—a horn soldier, first of all, and a modest, sober, earnest workman, who never took or asked for credit beyond that which his published reports gained for him.

But I believe that in the London magazine I said it was not necessary for a war correspondent to incur danger on the battlefield. I have altered that opinion. It makes me laugh at myself when I put side by side the view I then held and the experience I have since gained.

Together with the artist who wanted nothing but a chance of his story. He succeeded at Belmont, but at the battle in Grapian, after establishing himself in a nice, safe, and commanding position, he found himself in half an hour, amid such a hail of bullets that it seemed as if he were being shot at by a machine gun. He succeeded in escaping, but he was suddenly pursued by shells and

flying shrapnel, and made his way out at that danger, only to find himself under such Mauser fire that the bullets came in ropes. It was fun to hear him talk about the duty of correspondents after this second experience. To begin with, this was a round, chubby face, lit by steady, gray eyes, and he had a way of merely mentioning his own experiences, incidentally, with a gravity too droil to be either despised or words or flattered to without merit. He canvassed the corps of correspondents at short intervals, and reported to each one that all the rest were resolved with him never to get under fire again.

And then came the fight at Magersfontein.

There was the advance in black and rainy night, then the grayish threat of dawn, then the hellish fusillade from the Boer trenches at the Highlanders, only a few rifle-lengths away. After that the panic, the confusion, the confusion, the awful dropping of scores upon scores of dead men, the reeling of ever so many wounded, the stampede to the rear, the shouting of the officers trying to restore order. And finally, there was the artist, tumbled, mud-stained, breathless, but still with the same round, cherubic face, and the same grave, well-considered speech. He was coming out of the jaws of death. He had been in the thick of the hell which, for a minute or two, daunted the tigers of the British army.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS. In pursuance of its plan to re-equip its road, the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company has let contracts for \$22,500,000.

Two thousand and thirty new cars have been ordered, a large proportion of them of the pressed steel class that have lately come into use. Forty-five locomotives are to be built, 34 of them being for freight traffic and 10 for the passenger service.

Managed by the C. P. R., has returned to Winnipeg from Montreal. Mr. Whyte said no great extensions were proposed for next year, but there will be a large expenditure for the filling in of bridges and strengthening bridges with steel, superstructures and abutments. A new tunnel will also be built at the loop on the west slope of the Rockies. The British Columbia lines will also be extended as the development among the mines requires.

The Newfoundland colonial cabinet has decided to await action by the imperial government before determining upon a policy, with respect to the removal of the French shore-mine-surveyors, when it expires next Monday. The initiative will lie with Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, who must either make another treaty with France or call upon the colony to renew the modus vivendi.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Act of Incorporation the first meeting of the shareholders of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company will be held at the office of D. H. McLeod, at the City of Vancouver, on Tuesday, the 5th day of February, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which meeting the shareholders of the said Company will proceed to elect Directors in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Incorporation.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

A few lots of Calendars, 1901, for sale. Johnston's, Douglas-street. Job lot of cross-cut saws to be sold at less than half price. Shore's Hardware. You will find it in the B. C. Guide: 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C. In buying tea you want something without a suspicion of adulteration. You get it in Hoadley-Coyton Tea, which reaches this market direct from the Tea Gardens. Xmas Presents for everyone in the finest quality of Boots and Shoes for Misses, Boys, Youths and Men at Nangle's, 56 Fort street, the People's Shoe Shop. Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Price, per sack, \$1.25; per gallon, \$3.00; per quart, 75c. New England Hotel. Ladies come and see the elaborate furnished parlor on Weiler's second floor. The walls are hung with handsome Tapestries, and it will be a real treat, we assure you. A meeting will be held at the city hall this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, to institute arrangements for an agricultural, industrial and mineral exhibition to be held here in 1901. All interested are requested to be in attendance. Don't fail to take in the Grand Prize drawing for the six tier fruit cake and the display of fine Xmas and New Year confectionery which will be on exhibition during the holidays at the notable Caledonian Bakery, 112 Yates street, C. Darling, Proprietor. To-night and to-morrow evening a grand assault-at-arms will be held in the Philharmonic hall, which Ete. Beach, of the First Canadian contingent, has been endeavoring to popularize in the face of many discouragements. The programme, which was published in these columns last evening, is a very comprehensive and meritorious one, and should attract a large crowd of spectators. In connection with the request of Mayor Hayward for a captured Boer gun for this city it is interesting to note that over thirty similar applications have been received at the department of militia, most of the requests emanating from Ontario. The government has not yet received a reply from the war office in response to an inquiry as to the disposition of the captured cannon and the expressed hope that Canada would not be forgotten when the spoils of war were distributed. Messrs. Oliver and Wood, of the Skidgate Oil Works, are down from the North with the first consignment of claims that have been received from the Queen Charlotte Islands, consisting of 170 cases of the fish. The canning and preparing of the claims for the market is a new industry, and Messrs. Oliver and Wood hope to make it a remunerative one. The fish for the shipment now here were caught, they say, on the beach during one ebb tide. A coroner's inquest was held at the Naval hospital yesterday afternoon to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the death of James Williams, which occurred on Monday. A number of witnesses were examined, and the jury returned a verdict of death from alcoholic poisoning. Williams was a native of Cheltenham, Eng., and was 60 years of age. He resided for many years on Admiral's road, and was well known in the vicinity. He leaves a widow and large family. The funeral is taking place this afternoon.

John Pannin, curator of the provincial museum, cut his hand the other day while stuffing a specimen for the museum. He is now laid up with blood poisoning. Grand military assault-at-arms, Philharmonic hall, to-night, under the management of A. C. Beach. Admission 50c; reserved seats in limited number for tickets at Lombard's music store. The Marine Engineers' Association will hold their regular meeting Saturday, December 20th, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. All marine engineers are requested to attend. Room 49, Five Sisters' block. The death took place yesterday afternoon of Miss Elizabeth Little, deceased was 23 years of age, and a native of San Juan, Wa. The funeral takes place this afternoon from the family residence, No. 180 Chatham street. The remains of the late Esther Manton were laid at rest yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from the family residence, Cormorant street. The following acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. C. H. Boyes, Jas. Keys, Ralph Bagshaw and Joseph Bell. W. H. Hayward, M. P. E., who is at present in London, writes to friends here stating that he was at Lord Strathcona's banquet at the Imperial Institute together with A. E. McPhillips, M. P. E., Forbes George, Vernon and Pte. Brothour, of the First Canadian contingent. A very enjoyable dance was held last evening in the A. O. U. W. hall by the German ladies of the city. About 30 couples were present. Mrs. Herborger and Miss Willie, who were in charge of the affair, deserve great credit for the successful issue to which they brought the entertainment. The holiday season was made pleasant for one family through the energy of a committee of Victoria Lodge of the United Workmen. As the result of a concert and through private donations over \$170 was presented to Mrs. Wendt, of Victoria, West, whose husband has been confined to his bed for some years by reason of an accident to his spine while attending to his duties as a marine engineer. Two more days of the Paris Exposition at the Searchlight's moving pictures. Don't miss the last opportunity of seeing the comical wrestling contest, also the Astor House tramp, commencing Saturday, at 1.30, with an entire change of programme, which will be announced later. Open daily; afternoons, 1.30 to 5; evenings, 6.30 to 10. For ladies, children and gentlemen, admission 10c. Children under 10 years 5c. The Christmas tree and treat of the Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school was held last evening. The church was very prettily decorated, and the Christmas tree, which was situated on the platform, presented a gorgeous appearance. The church was well filled, and the programme rendered by the children was very much enjoyed. After the concert the Rev. Mr. Rowe baptised several babies, and Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed the prizes. One of the most thoughtful of the many kind acts of the Christmas season was that of Mrs. (Capt.) Wm. Grant of this city, who remembered every member of a Company, 3rd R. C. R. Each of the men received a carry-all, which, in addition to the needles, thread, etc., associated with such articles, had also a marked edition of the New Testament. The little articles were made of red and black, the regulation colors of the service. The men, nearly all of whom are strangers to Victoria, appreciated very highly the considerate act of the lady mentioned. All goods at Weiler's are marked in plain figures. You are invited to read through our showrooms at will and entirely free from importunity to purchase. An engine consumes more coal in cold than in hot weather.

NEW COAL FIELDS. Jim Hill's Expert Examining Deposits Recently Discovered in Similkameen. Editor Anderson, of the Similkameen Star, is spending his Christmas holidays in the city. Years ago Mr. Anderson planned the faith of the Similkameen country—a faith which was demonstrated when he established a newspaper in the little hamlet of Princeton and his belief in the future of the district is as strong as ever. In conversation with a reporter of the Times, Mr. Anderson stated that recently large coal deposits have been discovered along the valley of the river from which the district derives its name, and that the discovery of these is having a stimulating effect upon the charter seekers, as it has in the Crow's Nest country. A significant fact in connection with the agitation for a railway through the Hope mountains is given by Mr. Anderson. He says that for some time the coal expert of the Great Northern railway, who hails from Grand Falls, and whom Jim Hill keeps constantly in the field, has been working in his district looking into the different properties there. This taken in connection with the belief that the energetic president of the Great Northern is interested in the revival of the V. & E. charter, is of more than passing importance. Mr. Anderson ridicules the statements regarding the great difficulties involved in throwing a road through the Hope mountains, which he says are much more easy to overcome than the Kicking Horse Pass. Several applications for charters will be made to the legislature this session, and the battle in the lobbies is likely to be one of the greatest interest in consequence. The people in the Similkameen favor a straight subsidy, with heavy forfeiture clauses in the event of the company failing to fulfill its obligations, or complete the road in the time specified in the charter. REGIMENTAL DANCE. An Enjoyable Affair Arranged for Friday Night. The dance arranged for Friday, December 28th, at the drill-hall, promises to be as great a success as the regimental ball. Dancing will start punctually at 8.30, with the same programme as that for the annual ball. The number of tickets sold will be limited, and great care will be taken that no persons of undesirable character are admitted at the door. The price of admission to the public will be fifty cents per head; members of the regiment in uniform twenty-five cents. Tickets may be obtained from Sergeant Major Mulcahy at the drill hall, R. H. Johnston at the city market, and from any member of the committee, as under: President, Sergeant Major Mulcahy; treasurer, Sergeant H. N. Short; secretary, R. H. Johnston; members of general committee, Q. M. Sargent, W. P. Winsky, W. Grime, H. Cram, R. Hayward, C. G. Harris, C. Harris, W. Pointer, C. G. Maclean, R. Morrison, H. Gartley, H. Waro, E. C. Knight, J. Capew, E. M. Bradley, H. Finlay, H. J. Stevenson, W. Sprirer, P. Austin, A. S. Burgess, S. Porter, and B. H. Anderson. PURCHASING ANNUITIES. How Executive of Patriotic Fund Will Provide for Deceased Soldiers' Dependents. As already announced, the executive of the patriotic fund will purchase annuities for the children of Canadian soldiers who have since or are being killed in South Africa. This money, says the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Globe, will be paid over quarterly until the beneficiaries reach the age of eighteen years. In the case of widows they will receive a gratuity of one thousand dollars, and the best use of making the money over to them is now occupying consideration. Dependents of deceased soldiers are receiving from \$250 upwards, according as the merits of each case may warrant. Soldiers who are totally incapacitated from work are receiving \$1 a day, but those who are able to partially make a living receive fifty cents. The likelihood of that Pte. Mulloy, of Winchester, the blind veteran, whose case has aroused deep sympathy, will be given \$1 a day from the fund. The executive cannot lay down a definite policy for the administration of the fund until it is known what amount will be granted by the British government in the form of pensions to disabled colonials, and also whether the Dominion government will vote any money for the same purpose. DRIFTED FROM THE ISLANDS OF THE GULF OF GEORGIA. The afternoon is waning fast. A cool breeze blows in from the bay; Long shadows of the pines are cast Across the winding sylvan way. The bluff with cliffs of ribbed sandstone, Drags dark against the glowing sky. Its outline stretches, stern and lone, To listen to the north wind's sigh. Through myriad waves of joy the sea, From bay to channel spreading wide, Laves many an islet, rock and tree— With its far-dwelling molten tide. Between the lakes are fairy views Of inland mountains clad with snow, And over their peaks the sunset hues Of rose and purple come and go. R. J. BILLINGHURST. Galiano Island. SAW DEATH NEAR. "It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, Tenn., "to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak and sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or earthly help could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery and persistent use of this excellent medicine saved her life." It's absolute guarantee for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma and all Throat and Lung diseases. 50c and \$1.00 at F. W. Fawcett & Co. Trial bottle free. The Phoenicians were the first people to fortify towns. An engine consumes more coal in cold than in hot weather.

HOW A MESSENGER BOY CARRIED THE TURKEY. 1. Grocer—Take the turkey to Mrs. Brown on Fort street. 2. Messenger Boy—Gosh, but he's heavy. 3. Ah, dis is better. 4. But djk beats de band.



Along the Waterfront. British ship Falkland, Capt. Gracie, reports on the 19th, speaking to a vessel flying the numbers J. S. K. D., 150 miles southwest of the Columbia river, says a Port Townsend dispatch. She was making poor headway in mountainous seas with a single rib set. The vessel is the ship Charmer, which sailed from the Sound recently lumber laden for the Hawaiian Islands. The main topmast and lower topmast were gone with the rigging in a confused mass on deck. On the mainmast, everything was gone above the mainyard, with the fore royal missing. The vessel appeared to be making heavy weather at the time but Capt. Gracie believes she will make port in safety, either on the Sound or Columbia river. Another dispatch from Port Townsend says the schooner Laura Madsen was towed by the tug Magic, bound for Port Buckley. Her destination had been Grays Harbor, but the captain having taken seriously ill, she made the Sound. She is the vessel reported off Neah Bay Monday noon flying signals of distress, and the Magic was dispatched to her assistance. The Madsen was also spoken off the Cape by the Umatta, which arrived this afternoon and requested her to send assistance, as the master was dangerously ill. After a comparatively smooth passage from the Antipodes the R. M. S. Miowera, Capt. F. A. Hemming, arrived at Seattle this morning, not having experienced any of the violent wind storms which have of late been creating such havoc to shipping along the coast. The steamer arrived up the Straits last night. Two or three days' run off the Cape a large four-masted vessel, square rigged and loaded deeply, was passed and was heading in this direction. The Miowera comes this time lightly freighted and with a small number of passengers. A list of these is as follows: Mesdames Morse, Sutherland, Harrison and four children, Weil, Barrington and Hooke; Messrs. Love, Vernon, Harrison, Norton, Blackwell, Morse, Lee, Rutherford, Ward (2), Mowbray, Shos, Haskin, Takauer, Langan, Neil and Jaynes. The Miowera left Sydney on the 3rd, Brisbane on the 7th and Honolulu on the 19th. She passed R. M. S. Aurang the following day after leaving Brisbane. The British sloop of war Icarus, Knowlton, commander, arrived in Hilo Thursday noon, the 13th inst., eight days from San Francisco," says the Honolulu Post. "She had been stationed at Honolulu for a long time, and is now under orders to proceed to Panama to make inquiries into the seizure of a British steamer by the Colombian government during the recent revolution. The Icarus was to leave Hilo on Saturday morning to proceed on Keelakekua Bay on the Kona coast for the purpose of visiting the monument to Capt. Cook and making whatever repairs might be found necessary. It will be remembered that the British parliament has set aside a yearly allowance for keeping up the monument, and some British ships of war are expected to visit Keelakekua every year. From that place the Icarus will proceed to this port, to remain about ten days before proceeding to Panama." The last of the sealing fleet to sail this season that will carry a full white crew cleared yesterday. She was the Aurora, Captain Cole. She will cruise down off the California coast, crossing later to the Japan and then to the "Copper Island" coast. In all ten of the fleet are carrying white crews, and but two or three are intending to "take in" the Asiatic coast sealing grounds. In all they carry over two hundred men and each are provisioned for at least a ten-month expedition. Only one of the schooners, which will carry the white sails, she being the Umbra; the others will leave immediately after New Year's. O. L. Willoughby, local Associated Press correspondent, had a narrow escape from drowning Christmas afternoon by having his boat capsized. Mr. Willoughby was attempting to leave the schooner Reporter, which he had boarded, and was just about to have his boat painter cast off from the vessel when the tug started ahead with the vessel. Willoughby's boat collided with that of a ship broker, also towing alongside, and was swamped. Willoughby, who is an expert swimmer, was picked up by a boatman, after being in the icy water fully fifteen minutes. Capt. McCroskie, master of the steamer Queen City, reports that that vessel scraped lightly over the ground at low water of a long run out, when exactly in mid-channel between the buoy marking Isabel rock on the north side of the channel and Isabel Island on the south side of the channel in Melakaktha harbor, north coast of British Columbia. The steamer was drawing between 13 and 14 feet. The spot where she touched is thought to be that marked 3 3/4 fathoms on Admiralty chart No. 264 one cable west from Isabel Island. Capt. J. T. Wallran, master of the D. G. S. Quadra, reports that no buoy is maintained in Melakaktha harbor where shown on Admiralty chart No. 264, 1 1/2 cables eastward of the buoy on Kelp rock. Black buoys with pyramidal top marks mark Kelp rock and Isabel rock, on the north side of the narrow navigable channel. The schooner Reporter, which was sighted by the tug Tatosoh off the Cape Tacoma December 6th with a cargo of

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In the struggle for wealth and position, amid nerve-straining competition, business and professional men forget to care for their health until, weary and worn with over-exertion, the brain lags, the mind wanders, headaches and body pains tell of exhaustion and approaching collapse of the system. But what is to be done? Stimulants have been used to whip on the tired, weak heart and to enliven the brain. Narcotics have been tried to soothe the nerves. Strong drugs have been freely taken to produce sleep. In spite of these temporary aids the system has grown weaker and ever weaker. Locomotor ataxia, paralysis, prostration, or it may be insanity, are threatening. By forming new, red corpuscles in the blood, creating new nerve force and strengthening the action of the heart, Dr. Chase's Nerve Food carries new vigor and vitality to every part of the body. It reconstructs the broken-down systems of weak and worn-out men and women, and makes them feel again the vigor of youth tingling through their nerves. Instead of tearing down the tissues it builds them up and assists nature in throwing off the attacks of disease. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is sold only in boxes bearing the portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous Recipe Book author. It is prepared in pill form and contains the most valuable restoratives known to science. It is different to any medicine you ever used. It acts in a different way. And simply cannot help to benefit any one with thin blood, weak nerves and low vitality. 50 cents a box, at all dealers', or EDMANSON BATES & Co., Toronto.

wheat for Queenstown, has been towed to Port Townsend. She lost her deck to Cape Flattery by one of the Puget Sound Tugboat Company's tugs. In the recent storms off Cape Flattery she sprung a leak, taking in several feet of water. The Carl will await orders at Port Angeles. A direct line of steamers between Portland and Manila will be in operation by February 28th. The Oregon & Oriental company, of which Mr. Allan Cameron, late of this city is the Hongkong manager, has decided to put into commission the steamers Monmouthshire and Carmarthenshire. The steamers will be placed exclusively in the service and make regular trips. British ship Kirkhill, which brought cargo to Victoria a year or so ago, has recently been sold to a Barcelona firm for £43,000. The Anchor liner Anchoret arrived at New York at 7 p.m. on Christmas day. D. G. S. Quadra left this morning for East Point on lighthouse duty. Hot or cold air will be turned on from spigots to regulate the temperature of a house as now turn on hot or cold water from spigots to regulate the temperature of the bath during the coming century. Central plants will supply this cool air and heat to city houses, in the same way as now our gas or electricity is furnished. Rising early to build the furnace fire will be a task of the olden times. Homes will have no chimneys, because no smoke will be created within their walls. December Ladies' Home Journal.

THE HOLLOW SQUARE.

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A TENDER HEARTED OLD MAN.

The Cape Times has been printing stories of the war and of the part Kruger and his associates played in the events which preceded it. Some anxiety has been expressed lest the historian of the future should not have sufficient data at his command to compile a reliable account for the edification of future generations of this most interesting period in the history of British rule in South Africa.

by some of his admirers, Cronje wired from Mafeking in reply to the daily inquiry: "I have been on the battlefield and counted up fifty thousand dead English. I then became sick at the sight of the dead bodies; but there is still double the number to count." Messrs. Reitz and Smuts were companions met for the man to whom the slaughter of humanity was as the breath of his nostrils.

ANOTHER GREAT STRUGGLE.

Mr. Harry Corby is desirous of removing the impression that he proposes to resign his seat in the House of Commons in order that the people of Canada shall not be deprived of the benefit of the distinguished abilities of Hon. George E. Foster.

SITUATION IN CHINA.

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The Case Remanded. Charge Against the Savoy Will Come up Later-Other Items. John Hanley Makes Spirited Protest Against Being Considered a Vagrant.

THE OLD STORY. Montreal Herald. Already the fight has begun for the control of the solid opposition of two in the Quebec legislature.

FRENCH INVASION OF ENGLAND. Chicago Times-Herald. The French government, of course, will never make the attempt because it knows that a humiliating disaster would be the inevitable outcome.

RENEWING HER YOUTH. Monterey (Ind.) Sun. Mrs. Elizabeth Harper Conway, aged 72 years, is cutting her third set of teeth.

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During The Week

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

Victoria, Dec. 27.—5 a.m.—The barometer has risen at most points, and now a vast area of high barometric pressure covers the whole of the western portion of the continent, extending from the Pacific ocean to the province of Ontario, the entire overlying the Rocky Mountain ranges. The weather is mostly cloudy on this coast; light rain has fallen in western Oregon and Washington, and heavy frost is reported from northern California. In the Northwest fair and cold weather prevails and snow has fallen at some stations. The probabilities are for fair and colder weather in this district for the next 24 hours.

Forecasts.
For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.
Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate westerly winds, slight clouds and frost.
Lower Mainland—Light or moderate westerly winds, mostly cloudy and cold, with frost at night.
Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 5 miles N.; rain, .01; weather, clear.
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.54; temperature, 30; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Nanaimo—Wind, S. E.; weather, fair, fog.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.60; temperature, 34; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.61; temperature, 6; minimum, 6; wind, calm; weather, clear.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 46; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

A domestic row is being ventilated this afternoon in the provincial police court.

The name of Capt. Seward was omitted from the list of pallbearers in the report of the funeral of the late Capt. Steele, published in yesterday's issue.

The board of school trustees will hold their closing meeting of the year to-morrow evening in the city hall, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Grand Show, Philharmonic Hall to-night.
A special meeting of the city council will be held in the committee room of the city hall to-morrow afternoon for the purpose of considering the consolidated by-laws.

An auction sale of desirable furniture will be held in the saleroom of the Cuthbert-Brown Co., Ltd., to-morrow afternoon at 2 p. m., by order of parties leaving the city. Everything must be sold.

Selecting Christmas presents is always a difficulty. Kodaks and finishing outfits make appropriate gifts. We have them, for beginners, from \$1.00. Best quality kodaks, \$8.00 to \$25.00. **Elmington Bros., 52 Government Street.**

Italian Fencing, Philharmonic Hall to-night.
The funeral of the late Joseph E. Williams took place this afternoon from the family residence, Admiral's road, Esquimalt, at 2 p. m. Rev. E. Sharp conducted the services. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. H. Cook, Geo. Longman, Thos. Astell, B. Russell, B. Paulino and A. Mesher.

A Co., 3rd R. C. R., in common with other military organizations in the city, is agitated over the news that the services of 1,000 Canadians will be acceptable to British forces in South Africa.

Many of the men, together with Col. McKay himself, have signified their readiness to go, should the re-enlistment of the special service battalion not be proceeded with as mentioned in these columns a day or two ago.

Glove Contest, Philharmonic Hall to-night.
The regular Christmas entertainment of Knox Presbyterian Sunday school was held last evening. Supper was served from 5.30 to 8.30 o'clock, after which an excellent programme was rendered. Speeches were delivered by Mr. Mackenzie, superintendent of the Sunday school, upon the progress of the school during the past year. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Fraser, then delivered an address along the same line. Mr. Brown gave a short speech, after which he sang a solo. Mr. Kinnaird rendered a solo in his best style, and Mr. Mackintosh gave a brief address. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Fraser, occupied the chair, while Miss H. Nicholles presided at the organ. Prizes were then distributed, after which an ample supply of candies and oranges were given to all present.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

See Bout with Quarter Staves, Philharmonic Hall to-night.

Scissors, table and pocket cutlery, razors, etc. Shore's Hardware.

Photograph Albums half price; books low prices. Johnston's, Douglas street.

FIREWORKS for the youngsters during the Christmas holidays. Order from Hitt Bros. Tel. 250.

Admiral Dickford last evening entertained a large company at a dinner party given on board the flagship.

Don't fail to see Assault-at-Arms to-night.

Everything to fix up your Xmas Dinner Table at Weiler's—the Table, Linen, China, Cutlery, Glassware, etc.

Purses at Cost
As we no longer intend to carry purses, we have a fine line to dispose of which we are selling at cost. We have them in the best leather—Seal and California. See windows.
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An Open Letter
Our friend, "An Old Customer," alias "Mrs. Williams," may be assured that some time ago we signified our intention of discontinuing

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AT THE END OF THIS CENTURY.
In future we intend giving better value than ever from our large and well assorted stock.

GOODS ALWAYS FRESH, VALUE THE BEST.

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NEW GUINEA BATTLE.
Piratical Tribe Makes an Attack on the Natives Residing in the British Possessions.

The Governor of New South Wales has received from the Lieut. Governor of British New Guinea a dispatch, in which information is conveyed respecting another raid on the natives of the British Possession by the piratical Fugeri tribe from Dutch New Guinea. The police belonging to the resident magistrate of the western division, the Hon. C. G. Murray, met a force of the Fugeri at the mouth of the Morehead river. A severe fight on the water ensued, the police capturing or sinking five canoes. No prisoners were taken. It is estimated that 30 Tugeri were shot or drowned. No casualties occurred amongst the government forces.

The Tugeri had the dispatch states, raided the Morehead villages again, killing at least 15 persons, whose remains have been found. The police discovered their heads in the canoes, and they have been since identified as those of natives of British New Guinea.

Mr. Murray and the Dutch resident afterwards arrived on the scene of the conflict. They ascended the Morehead river and found in the Tugeri camp one Tugeri canoe. They saw 15 dead bodies, partly buried, belonging to the Tugeri Bio village, on the right bank of the river 70 miles up. The Tugeri apparently escaped overland, taking two boys prisoners—one from Samoa, and the other from Tugeri Bio.

The Tugeri tribe, who for some years past have given a great deal of trouble, about six months ago concluded terms of peace with the British, a most elaborate ceremony being carried out. On the occasion of the vice-regal visit to the islands of the straits, Lord Lamington and the Lieut. Governor of British New Guinea had a discussion with the commander of the Dutch man-of-war Semouder on matters connected with the bloodthirsty tribe of head-hunters.

THE FRAWLEY COMPANY.
"Madame Sans Gene" and "Secret Service" at the Victoria.

T. Daniel Frawley and his company of thirty people come to the Victoria this afternoon on Monday and Tuesday evenings from the triumph of one of the most brilliant dramatic engagements ever played in San Francisco. The company, head by Mr. Frawley on this occasion, is the largest and best ever carried by this popular actor-manager, and the plays to be presented are among the greatest hits ever known to the stage.

"Madame Sans Gene" is the best work of Victorien Sardou, the celebrated French dramatist, and "Secret Service" is the greatest military play ever written. It is by William Gillette, the author of "Held by the Enemy," "Too Much Johnson," "All the Comforts of Home," "The Private Secretary," "Sherlock Holmes," and other successes. With distinctly military in character, it is without the roar and rattle of actual fighting, only the occasional booming of distant cannon being heard to give it a martial effect. Besides being a great war drama, it is generally admitted to be the best stage creation of any sort ever produced by an American writer.

Assault-at-Arms, Philharmonic Hall to-night.

A. H. Pierce, the richest cattleman in Texas, died yesterday at Pierce station, Texas. He was many times a millionaire, with widespread interests in Texas.

\$40,000.00

To loan in large and small amounts on mortgage on improved real estate.

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THE WESTSIDE
VICTORIA'S POPULAR STORE
27th December, 1900

Last Friday Bargain Day of 1900.

Trade conditions point to the last Friday Bargain Day of 1900 to be the greatest in the annals of retail merchandising the City of Victoria has ever seen. Stocks have been overhauled from basement to attic, and forgotten things have come to light, which will be offered at prices hitherto unheard of for lowness.

A Great Wrapper Clearance Sale.



To-Morrow
We'll make a sweeping clearance of all our Ladies' Wrappers. We leave the prices to tell the bargain part of the story.
Ladies' Eiderdown Flannel Wrappers, heavy quality, fitted linings, filled seams, in a pretty variety of dainty shades.
Regular Prices, \$1.75, 2.50, 3.50, 4.75, 5.75 each
Friday Prices, \$1.25, 1.75, 2.40, 3.50, 4.00 each

Fancy Goods for Return Presents 20 Per Cent. Off Regular Price.
Consisting of Sofa Cushions, Cushion Covers, Silk Ties, Pin Cushions, Tea Cosies, Manicure Sets, Leather Goods, Etc. Price, example: An article ticketed \$2.00, Sale-Price \$1.60.

Men's Ties
For New Year's Gifts and Friday Special Prices.
250 Men's Fancy Ties, all colors, best shapes. Regular 35c. and 50c. goods—
FRIDAY 20c.

Boy's Suits
Boys' 2 piece Navy Serge Suits, heavily lined throughout, well finished, sizes 22 to 28. Regular \$2.30, Friday \$1.85. Sizes 27 to 30. Regular \$2.65, Friday \$2.10

Night Gowns
Ladies' Warm Flannellette Night Gowns full sizes, pretty shades of blue, pink, with collar and frilled fronts. Regular \$1.50—
FRIDAY \$1.15

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Personal.

Among the guests at the Victoria hotel are P. M. Studley and Capt. D. Gilmour, both of the N. Y. K. Steamship Co. They are waiting the arrival of the steamer Hoku Maru, due from the Orient.

W. J. Taylor, of the legal firm of Eberts & Taylor, was operated for appendicitis in St. Joseph's hospital on Thursday, and is reported to be improving as well as could be expected.

G. J. Keefer, Dominion government engineer at New Westminster, spent Christmas with his friends in this city. He left last evening for New Westminster.

W. A. Galliber, M. P. elect for Yale-Carlson, is in the city on a brief visit. He is accompanied by his son. They are staying at the Dominion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mulholland, formerly of this city, but now of Tacoma, and R. E. Greenwood are in the city visiting A. Greenwood.

George Mellor, manager of the Mellor paint establishment, of Roseland, is in the city on a visit to his parents.

Dr. W. W. Walkem, of South Wellington, and Geo. R. Raymond, of Nanaimo, are guests at the Grand hotel.

Arthur Jacques returned from Honolulu this morning, where he has been spending a few weeks' holidays.

Donald Gillespie left last evening for Scotland for the purpose of continuing his education.

A. and Miss W. Peterson, of Fort Townsend, are registered at the Victoria hotel.

Capt. Young and Capt. Frank White were passengers from the Sound this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lewis, of Vancouver, are guests at the Grand hotel.

Chas. E. Tisdall, ex-M. P. of Vancouver, spent Christmas in this city.

J. H. Greer arrived from the Sound on the steamer Utopia this morning.

H. W. Robertson, of Moreby Island, is staying at the Grand.

Capt. Gilmour arrived from the Sound yesterday afternoon.

Excellent Gloves.

Excellent—yes—that is the word. It conveys exactly the merit of our gloves. We excel in the glove business, not because we say so, but because it is the verdict of the public, every day in evidence by our increasing patronage. We have absolute faith in the fitting and wearing qualities of our gloves, and have a counter specifically arranged where they can be fitted and examined before leaving the store. Gloves bought for presentation will be exchanged or fitted after Christmas. What would be more acceptable to a lady than a few extra pairs of gloves. Prices, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75.

Things that Delight Gentlemen

We are here to serve the men, young and old, with all the accessories of their wardrobe. We have laid in a special stock of neckwear in rich heavy silks of uncommon design from 50c. to \$1.50. We also provide the good kinds of gloves for men in Deer's and Fowles' makes. Don't be afraid of giving a man something he doesn't need. He will not be overstocked with any of these:

HOUSE JACKETS,
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COLLARS,
DRESS SHIRT SLEEVES,
SILK HATS,
SOLE LEATHER GRIPS,
ENGLISH PORTMANTEAUX,
ETC., ETC., ETC.

GEO. R. JACKSON.

CHRISTMAS FETES.

Santa Claus at Orphans' Home This Afternoon—Entertainments During the Week.

The remainder of the year is plentifully filled with events of paramount interest to the children of the city. These include Christmas trees and other fetes, which have a peculiar fascination for those of tender years. Among the Christmas trees which will be in evidence to-night, are those of the Metropolitan Methodist church, and of St. Barnabas's church. The latter will be held in the Odd-Fellows' hall, Spring Ridge.

The James Bay Presbyterian Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment to-morrow evening. The following programme will be rendered:

Piano Solo Miss Peden
Vocal Duet Misses King and Peden
Recitation Miss Pick
Tableaux Boys' Brigade Sports Quartette
..... Misses E. and F. Scott, Fairfull and N. Rankin
Drill Ragged Squad
Vocal Solo H. Shandley
The tableaux, consisting of three scenes and representing the Boys' Brigade in camp, will probably be the gem of the evening. Only the boys who went out camping with the brigade last summer will take part in the presentation, and all will wear exactly the same clothing as they did upon that occasion. The first scene will represent the boys preparing dinner. When the curtain rises upon the second scene they will be at dinner, while in the third scene they will be turning in for the night.

"The Ragged Squad," which was presented on a former occasion, will undoubtedly be greatly appreciated. After the rendering of the programme prizes will be distributed.

The St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday school will also hold their entertainment on Friday evening. Supper will be served, after which the children will render a programme consisting of recitations, solos, choruses, etc. Santa Claus will then strip the Christmas tree and distribute the prizes.

The regular Christmas entertainment of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home is being held this afternoon. Dinner will be served until six o'clock, and afterwards the Christmas trees will be stripped of their burdens and the gifts distributed. The ladies of the home will entertain the guests with a supper after the children have finished their repast. The home will be thrown open to all.

The young people of the Chinese Methodist mission will also hold their Christmas concert to-morrow evening.

The annual Christmas treat of the Roman Catholic Children will be held in Institute hall to-morrow evening. A Christmas tree will be erected and an enjoyable programme will be rendered.

SIDNEY MILLER FOUND.
(Associated Press.)
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—Sidney Miller, the seven-year-old son of Samuel D. Miller, and grandson of former United States attorney-general, W. H. H. Miller, who was kidnapped by his mother yesterday evening, was recovered this morning. Mrs. Miller and the child were found at Lawrence about 3 o'clock asleep in a house where they had obtained lodgings.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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Before making your purchases call and see our watches in solid gold, gold filled, silver or steel cases, with chains to match; also our great variety of articles in jewelry, sterling silver ware and the best quality of quadruple silver plate, suitable for Christmas presents.

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VIOLETS, from \$ 1.25 to \$ 5.00
GUITARS, from \$ 5.00 to \$ 10.00
MANDOLINS, from \$ 3.00 to \$ 4.00
AUTOHARPS, from \$ 2.50 to \$ 7.50
MUSIC BOXES, from \$ 5 to \$ 10
ORGANS, from \$ 50.00 to \$ 150.00
PIANOS, from \$ 25.00 to \$ 50.00

Any of these will make an ideal Xmas gift.

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PRUSSIAN DIET.
Berlin, Dec. 27.—The Prussian diet has been summoned to meet on January 5th.

Ever Alert to Our Patrons' Wants
For the entertainment of your New Year callers, we have the following goods freshly made:

Scotch Shortbread, decorated
Almond Wafers
Almond Jumbles
Almond Bars
Almond Macaroons
Orange Wafers, Etc., Etc.

For the dinner table we prepare to order Charlotte Russe, Trifles, Tiptoe Cake, Jellies sweet and savory, Pastry and Breads of every description.

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Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A., answered with free medical advice for any disease.

Provincial News

On Wednesday evening, December 19th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer, Rev. Mr. Anderson made the Christmas lecture on the Thirty-Fifth regiment Canadian volunteers, and Miss Emma Hignell, both new arrivals in Greenwood, from the town of Pine Grove, York county, Ont., where until six weeks ago Captain Hicks has been doing business as a miller and general merchant.

A man named Hudson met with a terrible accident at Coal creek on Tuesday, December 21st. He was employed in the big C. P. R. mill there, the machinery of which is being taken out and shipped away. Hudson was on the third floor and stepped backwards into a hole, his head striking a beam on the second floor. He fell to the ground, when he picked up he was unconscious, and remained so for about twenty-four hours.

The following letter has been received from the superintendent of education by George Murdoch: "I am directed to inform you that an 'assisted' school will be granted to the residents of Princeton. I am further directed to ask you to call a meeting of the parents and others interested to select three persons to act as temporary trustees. These, when appointed, should immediately choose one of their number to act as secretary of the board, and he must communicate with this department, giving the names of the trustees, and stating what arrangements have been made for the opening of the school. By an 'assisted' school is meant that the government pays the salary of the teacher and makes a small grant for incidental expenses, parents and others interested supply a suitable school room, furnishing the same and meeting all other expenses connected with the maintenance of the school. As soon as preparations are completed authority will be given for the opening of a school at Princeton."

Lumber continues to be the staple article of export from Chemainus. At present there are about half a dozen vessels being loaded here. Early in the present month the Women's Auxiliary held a bazaar in aid of the Chemainus hospital, which proved a financial and social success, as \$475 was obtained for the praiseworthy object. Rev. Mr. McEwen, superintendent of Baptist missions, preached acceptably to the Baptist congregation on Sunday morning, and Rev. P. Evans preached in the evening to the Presbyterian people. On Sunday next Rev. W. B. Allan is expected to conduct divine service in the Church of England. The semi-annual review examination (oral and written) of the Chemainus school took place on the 21st instant. The proceedings were brought to a close by the teachers, S. Moore, distributing Christmas cards. The closing exercises in the Chemainus Landing public school, on the same date, were conducted by the John W. King, B. A. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist congregation gave a supper and sale of fancy articles in the hall on the evening of the 21st.

G. R. Maxwell's election is to be protested by the Conservatives of Vancouver, on the ground that bribery and corruption were used to secure his return. The Citizens' Association met to-night to nominate 10 aldermen. Robert Grant and Dr. Lefevre have consented to run in Ward 1, but few business men can be induced to run. The burglars were busy on Christmas night. The most serious robberies were Wood's book and stationery store and Page Ponstorf's furnishing store. The burglars first entered Wood's store. A memorandum of the missing goods has not yet been made, but the loss is thought to have been serious, many important papers having been stolen. Among the stolen articles was a pair of strong scissors, with which they pried open the window leading into Chapman's furnishing store. Once in this store they helped themselves to goods worth \$500 in value. Besides the above robberies, four houses were entered on Christmas night, but the booty secured was insignificant. The city is infested with burglars, with crooks that have been moved on from Seattle and Spokane, and they are making a house to house canvass for money and meals in the west end. In this way they learn

the lay of the ground, the houses that are not occupied and occasionally manage to strike a lonely pedestrian whom they hold up. Lewis & Sills' store, Mount Pleasant, has been broken into and \$250 taken from the till.

THE RETAIL MARKETS.

When comparing the Christmas rush with that of a year ago, retailers are convinced that the volume of business is on the increase. Wholesalers also are gratified at the encouraging aspect business is assuming, and they attribute it in no small degree to the war in the Philippines. This, they say, is responsible for a special stir in all the cities of the Coast, and is just now the cause of another advance on brain amounting to \$1 per ton. Fresh eggs are reported this week to be on the decline. They have reached the 60 cent mark, but being more plentiful now have dropped to 45 and 50 cents. Eastern apples have made their appearance, but on the whole are not of a very pleasing variety, being both high in price and poor in quality. Current quotations are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour, Wheat, Corn, Potatoes, etc.

On Wednesday evening, December 19th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer, Rev. Mr. Anderson made the Christmas lecture on the Thirty-Fifth regiment Canadian volunteers, and Miss Emma Hignell, both new arrivals in Greenwood, from the town of Pine Grove, York county, Ont., where until six weeks ago Captain Hicks has been doing business as a miller and general merchant.

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WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Metropolitan Office, Victoria, December 19 to 25, 1900. The week opened with a continuance of the S. E. gale prevailing at the close of the 18th. A low barometer area was centered in this district and on the Washington coast; the pressure increased for a brief period, but fell again very rapidly in advance of another ocean storm which developed off Vancouver Island, causing strong S. E. winds with gusts of 20 miles hourly velocity. The barometer remained low on Thursday over nearly the whole of the Pacific slope; the storm area also crossed the Rocky Mountains and traversed the Territories and Manitoba, the pressure at Swift Current falling to the abnormally low point of 28.94 inches, with an hourly wind velocity of 32 miles. On Friday the barometer rose again on this coast, and by Saturday a high area covered nearly the whole of the province, the winds shifting to the south and southwest and the weather continuing mild with moderate rainfall. On Sunday a slight depression appeared off Vancouver Island, which, however, passed to the south and centered in Cariboo, a high barometer covering the Northwest and causing fair and cold weather there. On Monday night a fresh disturbance appeared on the Washington coast, causing unsettled and rainy weather during the whole of Tuesday. The week altogether has been unsettled, and in some respects unreasonable, but the rain has not been excessive and moderate temperatures have been general. Victoria reports 7 hours 20 minutes bright sunshine registered, two days being completely clouded. The highest temperature was 53 on the 20th, the lowest, 39, on the 22nd, and the rainfall was 1.27 inches. New Westminster reports rain, 2.35 inches; highest temperature, 52 on the 19th; lowest, 34 on the 22nd, and light frost. Kamloops reports rain, .04 inch; highest temperature, 48 on 19th, 20th; lowest, 24 on 24th.

Per steamer Etopia from the Sound-Hickman T H Co, McO & B, Jas Kopp, B C Furn Co, Weller Bros, L Goodacre, S J Pitts, H-Jackman, Hinton Elec Co, Legislative Library, The Int Cor Schls, Thorpe & Co, W Bowassa, P McQuade, W H Martin, G Lee, Lowenberg & Co, M Levy, H E Levy, R Maynard, S Sompal, Pope Sta Co, A W Wheeler, Capt Cox, S Jones, G Wernund, Vio B & S Co, T N Hibben, C Durand, A W Knight, W Wilby, Vic News Co, Bank of B C, Mrs A Renny, Mrs C C Stewart.

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THE Half-Tone Plates. In the Christmas Number of the MINING RECORD, which is now on sale in the book stores, were made by the BRITISH COLUMBIA PHOTO-ENGRAVING CO., 28 BROAD STREET, VICTORIA. They Equal the Best Chicago Work. APOLI & STEEL PILLS FOR LADIES. REMEDY FOR IRREGULARITIES. SUPERSEEDING BITTER APPLE PILLS. COCHIA, PENNYROYAL, ETC. NEW WELLINGTON COAL. Washed Nuts, \$5.00 Sack and Lump, \$6.50 Delivered. KINGHAM & CO., 44 Fort Street, Telephone 87.

MUNICIPAL Collector's List of Lands or Improvements on Real Property Within the Corporation of the City of Victoria

To be Sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs on the TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1900, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale Law, 1900," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid. If sold the said Lands and Improvements will be chargeable with a proportion of the Legal Costs of and incidental to the obtaining of the Judge's Order confirming such Sale.

Table with columns: Lot, Block, Section, Assessed Owner, Registered Owner, Taxes, Interest, and Costs. Lists various property lots and their owners.

N.R. - In column numbered 4 in above list the letter "L" means Land and "I" means Land and Improvements. Dated this 27th day of November, A.D. 1900, at City Hall, Victoria, B. C.

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Emperor Objects

Kwang Hsu Shows He Will Not Submit to Powers Without a Struggle.

Thinks Legation Guards Might Prove a Menace to the Chinese Court.

(Associated Press.) Pekin, Dec. 27.—Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, the Chinese peace commissioners, have heard from the Emperor, Kwang Hsu.

Prince Ching called on the former for consultation, remaining over an hour. The court objects strenuously to reducing the forts, and also to allowing permanent legation guards, which it seems to think could be made sufficiently large at any time it was desired to menace the court itself.

After the conference it was decided to hold further communication with the court before seeing the ministers.

To Take Over Railway. St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The Norov Yemlya's Vladivostok correspondents stand by the story that the Russian government is about to take over the Manchurian railway.

The correspondent also says the Chinese caused losses amounting to only four million roubles.

The arrival of larger or smaller bodies of soldiers from China is announced almost daily from southern ports.

THE PRINCE AND RACES.

New York, Dec. 27.—The English people will be delighted if the Prince of Wales can see his way to accept the invitation, which is reported to be extended to him by the New York Yacht Club, to be present at the races for the American cup, says the London correspondent of the Tribune.

The Prince is an enthusiastic yachtsman, and he has more than once expressed a desire to see one of the great yachting matches between England and America, but circumstances may arise to prevent him leaving this country next autumn. The Queen will not allow him to visit Australia for the commonwealth celebrations, and notwithstanding that New York is only a week's voyage from London, Her Majesty may, on account of her great and increasing infirmities, consider it not advisable that he should again cross the Atlantic ocean during her lifetime.

UNCONFIRMED REPORT.

That Paderewski, the Pianist, Has Been Killed in a Duel.

Paris, Dec. 27.—The prefecture of police has not heard of the alleged duel in which, according to a report circulated in New York city, that Paderewski, the pianist, was killed, on a small island in the Seine. The musician's publishers, Choudan & Durand, who have business relations with Paderewski, do not believe it is true.

ADDU'S WAYS.

Constantinople, Dec. 27.—It is the general belief that the Crampe's contract for the construction of a cruiser for the Turkish navy was stood without the first payment being made. This view is supported by the fact that the Porte had formally promised to pay nothing to Americans before paying the Krupp, and the Germans have not yet received anything.

CENTENARIAN DEAD.

Montrose, Pa., Dec. 27.—Michael Maloney, a farmer of Logan township, is dead at his home at the age of 107 years. Mr. Maloney was a native of Ireland.

Shot By A Woman

Grand Secretary of the Masonic Order of Indiana Probably Fatally Wounded.

Attempt to Murder Chief of Barro Police—Mysterious Case Near St. Louis.

(Associated Press.) Indianapolis, Dec. 27.—Wm. H. Smythe, grand secretary of the Masonic order of Indiana, was shot and probably fatally wounded at noon today in his office in the Masonic temple in this city. The shooting is a mystery. Mr. Smythe said a blonde woman had entered his office and asked to use the telephone. He was busy, and told her he could not be bothered. Without further words she leveled a revolver at him and fired three times. The police reached the scene only a few minutes after the tragedy but no trace of the woman was found. Mr. Smythe was discovered by Lewis A. Coleman, an attorney. The wounded man was lying on the floor on a pool of blood. Coleman called the police. Smythe's son says he cannot imagine who fired the shots. An examination revealed that three shots had been fired. Three bullets were removed from the wounded man's head.

Chief of Police Shot. Barro, Vt., Dec. 27.—After quelling a disturbance that had arisen at a meeting held by the Italian anarchists today, chief of police Brown was shot as he was leaving the hall, and probably mortally wounded. Otto Bernaccio and Luigi Sassi have been arrested and identified as being connected with the attempted assassination.

A Mystery. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 27.—Mystery surrounds the death of H. C. Payne, proprietor of a small hardware store in this city, and for 12 years principal of the public school at Old Orchard, whose body was found today near Webster Grove, Pacific tracks at Webster Grove, suburb, with the head nearly severed. Whether the cut was made by the wheels of a train or by a knife in the hands of an assassin has not been determined. The clean, even gash suggests a knife. Payne's valuables were not touched, his watch and money being found in his pockets.

ELECTION COMMISSION.

North Ontario Case is to Be Heard on January 2nd.

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Dec. 27.—Five thousand dollars' damage was done to stock and building occupied by Messrs. Watt, Scott & Goodrich, commission merchants, St. Eustace street, by fire and water this morning. The fire was caused by an overheated stove.

The Canadian Pacific was the leading stock on the local stock exchange this morning, being quoted at 92 1/2 on heavy sales.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—The royal election commission will hold its first sitting on January 2nd at Uxbridge for the hearing of evidence in the North Ontario election case, the only one as yet brought before the commission. The charge is that of tampering with ballots in the election of 1896.

A subpoena has been issued for the examination of J. B. Klock, Conservative candidate, who petitions, claiming the Nipissing seat in the Commons owing to the alleged wrongful postponement of the election.

DIED IN VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Bolla Brinkman, whose letters and belongings show her to have come from Victoria, died today at the city hospital of consumption. She entered the hospital only a few days ago. Nothing further is known of her here.

DESTRUCTIVE DOCK FIRE.

Five Large Sheds Filled With Goods Were Destroyed.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 27.—One of the most serious fires which has ever occurred in the east-end of London during the last ten years broke out in India dock. Five immense sheds filled with goods, including 10,000 bales of hemp and quantities of jute, were consumed. The shipping in the neighborhood and other warehouses were only saved by the greatest exertion of firemen.

LORD ARMSTRONG DEAD.

The Inventor of the Famous Gun Passes Away.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 27.—Lord Wm. Geo. Armstrong, inventor of the Armstrong Gun and a writer upon electrical and scientific topics, died this morning at his home at Craigside.

SEARCHING FOR CROWE.

(Associated Press.) Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 27.—This morning Detective Shannessy, of Omaha, arrived in the city looking for traces of Pat Crowe, who occupied the residence at 1223 East Lyon street, here, for some time. Crowe is said to have been intimate with Chas. Prince, who was shot dead while trying to rob a store in Quincy, Ill., a year ago. The detective believes that Mrs. Prince, widow of the dead robber, will locate Crowe. He does not credit the report that Crowe is still latent in London, for he was seen in Omaha only a few days before the Cudahy abduction.

LORD WM. HERESFORD ILL.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 27.—Lord Wm. Heresford, who has been suffering from peritonitis, passed a very bad night, and was reported worse this morning.

Enter in the day it was announced that Lord Heresford had rallied slightly since this morning, but that his condition was very grave.

Steamer Cottage City sailed for Alaska ports this morning and will be followed by the steamer Otter today for the first time since the machinery was placed in the vessel.

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25 per cent. off Photo Frames and Prang's Art Pictures. 25 per cent. off all Games.

One half per cent. off Xmas Stockings. One half per cent. off Calendars (very few left).

Our Books are low enough, still we have a few to clear. A lot of 25c books for 10c each. A lot of 40c books for 25c each.

Last Year's Boys' Own Annual, \$1.75 each. Last Year's Leisure Hour and Sunday at Home, \$1.75 each. You may have finished present buying, still there are some nice things for the house we can offer cheap.

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SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denoon. The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest water tide and 18.5 feet above the all of the Equinotial dry dock.

Friday, Dec. 28. Saturday, Dec. 29.

Time.	Height above zero.	Time.	Height above zero.
1:00 a.m.	4.2 feet.	1:00 p.m.	8.3 feet.
2:30 a.m.	8.1 feet.	2:30 p.m.	8.3 feet.
4:00 a.m.	5.9 feet.	4:00 p.m.	4.9 feet.
5:30 a.m.	7.8 feet.	5:30 p.m.	7.9 feet.

The bark Marmaduke, reported yesterday as off Point Wilson, is now in Esquimalt, having arrived last evening in tow of the American tug Dolphin. The vessel is not here to go on the way, but has simply come to put off her crew and await orders. She comes from Esquimalt, which port she left on September 29th with supplies for the United States militia of the Copper river. The trip was a terribly rough one, and the vessel was rescued once from going ashore by the steamer Bertha, which afterwards belated her. Her owner Capt. Frank M. White, of Seattle, who is now in the city, is a well known navigator in these waters. Ten years ago he was in the C. P. N. company's employ.

It is reported that the C. D. Lane, which returned to Port Angeles the other day in a supposedly leaking condition, will probably not have to discharge her lumber cargo, it being found that all the water in the hold was taken in through per hatchways when the vessel was being tossed about by the storms of a few weeks ago.

While up North on his trip of exploitation of Northern waters, Capt. Walbran took the following soundings off Rose Spit, the north extremity of Queen Charlotte Islands, at the junction of Heegte strait and Dixon entrance: Lat. N. 54 deg. 16 min. 25 sec., long. W. 131 deg. 29 min. 59 sec. No bottom at 20 fathoms. One mile E. from sounding next above; lat. N. 54 deg. 16 min., long. W. 131 deg. 28 min. 30 sec.; 70 fathoms. Tow hill bears S. 33 deg. W.; lat. N. 54 deg. 15 min. 35 sec., long. W. 131 deg. 27 min. 10 sec.; No bottom at 20 fathoms. One mile E. from sounding next above; lat. N. 54 deg. 14 min. 10 sec., long. W. 131 deg. 23 min. 25 sec.; 15 fathoms. S. 87 deg. E. 3 1/2 miles from 10-fathom sounding; lat. N. 54 deg. 14 min. 40 sec., long. W. 131 deg. 15 min.; 15 fathoms, sandy. N. 54 deg. E., 5 miles from sounding next above.

The case of the Victoria Machinery Depot vs. the ship Mabel was heard in Admiralty court this morning before Mr. Justice Martin. Mr. Lawson appeared for the company and the case was defended, the owner having disapproved shortly after the vessel was brought to Victoria for repairs. Judgment was rendered to the plaintiff for the sum of \$325 and costs. The ship is to be sold without postponement after one week's advertisement of the sale.

The steamer Riojan Maru, which is due here to-day, left Yokohama on Thursday, December 13th, and has 185 tons of freight and three Chinese passengers for Victoria.

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The latest cure for baldness is said to be the X rays. A Viennese doctor has treated a man of about twenty-six years of age, who had been bald for some years, with the X rays, and has practically restored a thick growth of hair.

MARRIED.

JOHNSTON PALMER—At Greenwood, on Dec. 15th, by Rev. B. H. Baidaraton, Harry E. Johnston and Dora Palmer.

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 AND JANUARY 1. The One Standard Attraction of Western T. DANIEL FRAWLEY and his company, presenting, Monday, December 31, the Great Comedy, MADAME SAN GENE Tuesday, January 1, the Best Military SECRET SERVICE Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Seats on Sale at Victoria Book & Stationery Store Friday morning.

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